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**“Fenton police, how**

**can you**  
**not see the**  
**dozens of**  
**drivers that**

are texting while driving? They weave, they don't proceed through stop signs or green lights. Start ticketing, do your damn job.”



**“Doesn't bother me**

**a bit that an**  
**arrogant,**  
**cheating —**  
**both in golf**

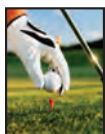
and marriage — Tiger Woods is not winning. As any golfer can tell you, golf is a mind game. Tiger is simply reaping what he sowed.”



**“The best way**

**to stay informed**  
**and involved**  
**in Fenton**  
**politics is to**

read the Times. Remember, they're spending our money, not theirs. Remember the sign fiasco? Tens of thousands of our dollars wasted and no one held accountable.”



**“Tiger is hurting**

**the PGA? He won**  
**seven tourna-**  
**ments last**  
**year. Most**

pros haven't won seven in their career.”

**“Will Rogers said**

**it best: A fool and his**  
**money are soon elected.”**

## “” HOT LINE OF THE WEEK

**“Most so-called conservatives don't know that Ronald Reagan raised taxes 11 times, supported a ban on assault rifles, supported the Brady Bill that mandated background checks to buy a gun, and established amnesty for 3 million illegal immigrants. Ignorance is bliss.”**



# Soaring gas prices driving motorists mad

► World conflicts, stock markets causing fluctuation in prices

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Motorists are feeling the pain at the pump. The ongoing conflict in east Europe has speculators theorizing oil production will slow, driving up prices at the gas pump. Gas that averaged \$3.26 a month ago in the greater Flint area now averages \$3.72.

See **GAS PRICES** on 18A

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TIM JAGIELO

A myriad of things cause the fluidity of gas prices.

This Speedway on Owen Road in Fenton has unleaded for \$3.799.



## Michigan dead last in funding roads and bridges



► Still spends \$154 per resident on construction, repairs each year

By William Axford  
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Michiganders may very well be driving upon the worst roads in the country, especially since state officials spend less per capita on road and bridge maintenance than any other state in America.

Using data from the 2010 U.S. Census, the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association (MITA) reports Michigan spends \$154 per person annually on infrastructure. Neighboring states like Ohio

See **ROADS** on 15A

**TRI-COUNTY TIMES**  
TIM JAGIELO

Brian Waller of the Fenton DPW fills potholes along Poplar Street as traffic waits to go around him on Wednesday.

## Driver in fatal wrong-way crash charged

► Prosecutor says teen had blood alcohol content of .197

By Sharon Stone

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During a press conference on Friday, Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton announced that the 18-year-old Swartz Creek teen who reportedly caused a fatal wrong-way crash in Mundy Township has been charged with eight counts including second-degree murder.

If convicted as charged, Zachary Lee Parker faces up to life in prison.

Mariah Bailey-Collins, 35, of Mt. Morris was killed in the crash

See **FATAL** on 11A



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | TIM JAGIELO

Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton (right) announces charges against Zachary Lee Parker, 18, of Swartz Creek. The teen faces up to life in prison for allegedly causing a fatal crash in Mundy Township.

## Accepting the challenge of Lent



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TIM JAGIELO

Students with St. John School fill the “cry room,” adjacent to the altar during the 8:30 a.m. service.

► Annual lead-up to Easter a time of prayer, fasting and sacrifice

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**Fenton** — On Ash Wednesday, Fr. Dwight Ezop of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church and six lay ministers distribute the ashes, smudging foreheads with a cross.

He'll either say, “Turn away from sin and follow the gospel,” or “Know that you are dust and unto dust you will return,” which is a reminder of the parishioner's mortality.

See **LENT** on 17A

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## Police & Fire report

### WRONG FUEL CAUSES VAN FIRE

On March 3, at 4 p.m. Holly police responded to investigate a vehicle fire at one of the home lots at Hawaiian Gardens trailer park on Grange Hall Road. The 61-year-old female resident said that a few days prior to the fire her 67-year-old husband had accidentally put diesel fuel into the gas tank instead of gasoline. She said she had planned to have someone drain the tank as soon as she had extra money. Her husband tried to fix the problem, however, while he was working on the van, the Dodge Caravan caught fire. The fire damaged part of their home. The van's registration was expired and it was uninsured. Because it was a safety hazard, Armstead Automotive towed the vehicle away from the site.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Harold Krueger isn't sure if feeding birds is allowed under local ordinances. "Nobody said anything," said Krueger. "If they wanna put me in jail over that, have at it."

## Crackers for quackers

► Rose Township man feeds ducks every day along the river

By Sally Rummel

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**Fenton** — Harold Krueger spent his 82nd birthday on Thursday the same way he has spent every day this winter — feeding the ducks along the banks of the Shiawassee River in Fenton.

"I've always watched the ducks, and I noticed this winter they always seemed hungry," said Krueger of Rose Township. "Since I eat at Mancino's just about

every day, I started asking the staff if they could save any leftover bread for me. I bring out a big bag every day, and it's gone in about five minutes."

Krueger estimates that about 150 ducks surround him as soon as he winds his way down to the river. He's only missed five days this winter, when he took a quick five-day trip to Florida to visit his daughter, Karen Shutes, and her family. "On the days I haven't had bread to feed the birds, I've brought bags of corn," said Krueger.

It's been a cold winter for Krueger to begin this new hobby. "I've been out here when it's been as cold as 10 below," said Krueger. He also took a pretty bad fall about a month ago.

In addition to the Mallards, there are two white Pekin ducks that aren't able to fly, but still love to eat whatever Krueger brings for them.

Krueger comes by his love of ducks naturally. As a farm boy raised in Snover, in Michigan's Thumb, he grew up very familiar with Mallards, and knows that the spring will find them mating soon and leaving the area. So, for the time being, Krueger enjoys his daily ritual, as he and the ducks wait for Mother Nature's warmer air of spring.

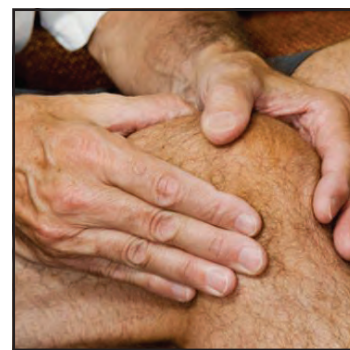
**"I bring out a big bag every day, and it's gone in about five minutes."**

Harold Krueger



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Among the mallards are two Pekin ducks, which were probably abandoned by their owners.



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Rheumatoid arthritis can flare up in the winter months.

## Weather extremes causing adverse health issues

- Heart attacks
- Arthritis
- Migraines
- Depression

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You know it's going to rain today because your achy knee has already told you so. This is just one example of how weather can affect your health, and scientists are becoming increasingly aware that various weather extremes can account for some adverse health symptoms.

Of course, Michigan's exceptionally harsh winter this year could account for higher rates of depression, but even spring and summer bring about their own bouts with varying health issues.

### Cold weather

**Heart attacks:** One U.S. study found an 18-percent increase in heart attack deaths in winter and a 10- to 12-percent decrease in summer. The reason? Cold weather may constrict blood vessels or lead to more blood clots.

**Rheumatoid arthritis:** People with rheumatoid arthritis often experience flare-ups of achy joints during cold weather. One theory is that a drop in air pressure that often accompanies

See **WEATHER** on 18A

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# I'm not just another pretty face

I am not what you would call a handsome man. If my face were my fortune, I'd be bankrupt. That's not to say I'm ugly — I'm just not in the same league as those blessed with the symmetry, balance and perfect angularity associated with classic beauty.

So the question is, why not do something about it? Heck, in this day and age, scores of girls are opting for going under the knife as their birthday or high school graduation present from mom and dad. Of course, you and I pay for most of these 'procedures' as they are inveterately disguised as respiratory problems caused by deviated septums that just happen to occur right

around their 16th birthday.

For us guys though, it's a little different. Barring unforeseen circumstances, such as witnessing a mob hit and going into the witness protection program, we are stuck with the end result of the irrefutable law of nature that states that all progeny will receive the worst physical traits of each contributing parent. This is Mother Nature's way of ensuring the world isn't ultimately completely populated by beautiful people. This, as you know, would spell the end of mankind as everyone would spend their days admiring their face in the mirror and the only product ever produced would be Hollywood movies.



But, I digress. Back to my face.

Like most people, I don't need a mirror to fire off the litany of changes I'd consider given the correct circumstances — such as the offer of a starring role in a MAJOR MOTION PICTURE! For most of us that's true. Even if we aren't looking in a mirror, today's world of shiny surfaces provides plenty of opportunities to view our visage — windows, pots and pans, blank television or computer screens, spoons, even puddles of standing water. Nearly every one of us has a mental laundry list of facial 'imperfections' that we are as familiar with as... well, the nose on our face.

So, what's my point you ask? Simply that if we don't talk to our children about their face, society will. Let's face

it (sorry — couldn't resist), society, through magazines, TV and movies, will tell them all the wrong things. Society will try to convince our children that their self esteem should be in direct proportion to their physical beauty — that their value as a person is less if they're not one of the so-called 'beautiful people.'

Let's not let that happen. Let's beat society to the punch. Let's make sure that our children know the truth — that true beauty comes from the inside — not the outside.

Always has.  
Always will.

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**I AGREE.** IF you wait three hours to eat in a restaurant, you obviously place no value on your time. Get a life.

**THE DROUGHT** IN California will affect all of us. The price of grocery produce will go through the roof in the next six months. Plant a garden and grow your own. You'll save a lot of money and eat healthier.

**I AGREE WITH** the Times editorial. If we want a community newspaper we have to support it, it's that simple. It's vital to us as residents to have a watchdog, as well as a voice.

**AS ONE WHO** stupidly drank the Obama kool-aid I want to tell America that I am sorry. We have become a nation of sheep. Our country is literally being destroyed right in front of our eyes.

**FINALLY, A PRESIDENT** with the guts to take on a thug like Putin. Give him hell Mr. President.

**THIS IS ME** texting while driving down Fenton Road: sdjaljf fa'w'g auier,.mgfava aopuil409jfk.

**JUDGE MCCABE PLEASE** tell me why I, just a hard-working everyday guy, must obey all laws

while the federal Government picks and chooses which to obey. Border enforcement, illegal immigrant deportation, IRS bullying are a few examples.

**THE PERSON WONDERING** about birds and leaking pipeline needs to read [http://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_pipeline\\_accidents\\_in\\_the\\_United\\_States\\_in\\_the\\_21st\\_century](http://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_pipeline_accidents_in_the_United_States_in_the_21st_century).

**I WOULD LIKE** to say 'thank you' to those drivers out there who do use their turn signals, leave plenty of room when driving behind me and who slow down appropriately when I have indicated I will be turning. Please teach your kids to drive this way, as well.

**EVERYTIME OBAMA OPENS** his mouth the gas prices go up. Maybe if he kept his mouth shut the gas prices would plummet!

**LAST YEAR ON** this day (March 6), Jesse Hourigan went to Heaven. I don't like to say he 'Lost the Battle' because in my heart, he finally won it. I can't wait to see you again one day, my darling friend. xoxo.

**I THINK IT'S** great how the PGA is moving on without Tiger Woods. There is a lot of talent out there that is being recognized and the excitement is back in the game. There's nothing worse than watching a whiny baby win week after week. Later, Tiger!

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

## Readers write

Letters, 150 words or less, must be signed and include a phone number. We reserve the right to edit for clarity and liability. Letters must be written exclusively for the Times.

### Anti-bullying ordinance

Dear Editor,  
I would like to talk to you about the new ordinance that Linden Mayor Lossing recently put into effect that ends all kinds of discrimination in Linden. The recent bullying problems at LHS is one reason that the ordinance was created. All students at LHS should know about the new law and the consequences if it is violated, and understand that bullying is a serious issue. Hopefully, all citizens will abide to the new ordinance.  
— Sincerely, Morgan Taylor, Linden

### Substance abuse

Dear Editor,  
Teenage drug and alcohol use is an issue that needs to be formally dealt with. Too many teenagers have been getting into trouble with the law and it's effecting how other cities and counties look upon us. I don't think most people realize how much doing these illegal activities could hurt not only themselves and their future; but also everyone around them. And it's truly a sad sight to see. Incoming families might not choose to move here, or families already here could choose to move, causing all kinds of problems that just started off as a couple of irresponsible teenagers getting into a little trouble and that story hitting the newspapers. It is time for someone to act on the report's recommendation to establish a national media campaign to discourage drug abuse and underage drinking. It would be in everyone's best interest for the future generations of this community.  
— Sincerely, Kristina Kinney, Fenton

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## What are you giving up for Lent?



"I gave up sweets. I want to be more healthy."

— Suzy Pedlar  
Fenton Township



"I'm giving outward to others. I want to be a good wife and mother."

— Cheryl Scott  
Fenton



"I'm giving up chocolate because I love it. Last year I gave up coffee and still don't drink it."

— Bonnie McLellan, Linden



"I'm still undecided, but if I do it would be letting go of guilt and stress."

— Traci Lapa  
Fenton



"I'm not giving anything up. I am not catholic and I don't practice any religion."

— Jacob Gibson, Linden



"Nothing. I am not religious, but I am spiritual."

— Bob Orfield  
Fenton

## streettalk

# Watch for updated nutrition labels

► New food labeling won't sugar-coat today's most up-to-date knowledge on nutrition

By Sally Rummel

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If you drank a 20 oz. soda and read on the label afterward that it contained two and a half servings at about 90 calories apiece, you likely were surprised by not only the calorie count, but also the fact that the bottle you just drank by yourself actually was meant for more than two people, according to the manufacturer.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is about to change nutrition labels to reflect what people are actually eating and drinking, i.e., that whole bottle of soda. With the new rules, that entire soda bottle would be labeled to reflect one serving size so that calorie counting will be simpler and give the consumer a better picture of what he or she is drinking.

This is the first overhaul in nutrition labeling since the FDA began to require them more than 20 years ago. The proposed new labeling would also remove the "calories from fat" line on the labels, focusing instead on total calories found in each serving. The breakdown of total fat vs. saturated and trans fat will remain on the label, reflecting the importance of the type of fat contained in the item.

The proposed labels will also show how much added sugar is in a product, informing the consumer about the amount of naturally occurring sugar, compared to the amount of sugar added by the manufacturer.

Including this information about sugar is a step applauded by the American Heart Association. The AHA recommends people limit added sugar to no more than half of their daily discretionary calories. For men, that's about 150 calories, or nine teaspoons of sugar. For women, no more than 100 calories a day from added sugar, or about six teaspoons.

"More realistic labeling to educate consumers is always beneficial," said Sarah Easlick, M.S., R.D., assistant director of food/nutrition at McLaren-Flint. "Then they have the tools to make the best decision for themselves. As it is now, food manufacturers are

misleading consumers. Many people don't think to look that an item that is considered 'single serve' may actually be two or more portions, per the manufacturer."

The FDA now has a 90-day comment period, during which time experts and the public can provide input on the proposed changes. The FDA will then issue a final ruling, with the process hopefully completed this year. Manufacturing companies will then have two years to implement the changes.

"These changes will not affect some people at all, and it will open the eyes for many others," said Easlick. She added that whole, natural foods should be the base of everyone's diet. "The labeling changes will just help educate all for the additional items added in processing."

**"You can lead a horse to water but you can't make them drink. It's the same with educating consumers about nutrition."**

**Sarah Easlick, M.S., R.D.**  
Clinical Nutrition Manager, McLaren-Flint

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The new proposed labels feature calories more prominently featured, and in amounts people are more likely to consume — like an entire bottle of pop instead of a serving.

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# Fenton Vision Center

►Leads the way in local optometry

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Keep your eyes on the Fenton Vision Center. They continue to be the leader in style, technology and medical advances in the practice of optometry in the tri-county area.

The Fenton Vision Center offices of Dr. Juan Alvarado, O.D., Diplomate, American Board of Optometry and Dr. Cynthia L. Cupal, O.D., F.A.A.O., Diplomate, American Board of Optometry, are located at 212 W. Silver Lake Rd., in the heart of downtown Fenton. "Our patients and staff love our location," said Alvarado. "We're in the cultural area of the city with shopping and coffee shops. We also have lots of convenient parking."

Their building includes a fashion optical boutique, spacious exam rooms, an on-site optical lab, a conference room for staff training and families of young patients — plus lots of large windows to enjoy the downtown area while waiting for appointments, etc.

Their offices offer not only the latest in technology, but also one of the largest inventories of frames in the tri-county area. Patients will appreciate their high fashion optical area designed after upscale optical boutiques in metro areas.

"Rather than having all of our frame selections out on a counter, they are narrowed down by design and kept in easy access optical drawers," said Alvarado. "Patients coming in to select frames can easily narrow down their frame choice with our new system."

Some of the most in-demand frames include styles by Oakley, Coach, Dolce & Gabbana, Prada, Ed Hardy,



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Fenton Vision Center's move to downtown Fenton last year has created a positive new energy within this local optometry practice.

Harley-Davidson, Juicy Couture and Aframes. There are frame styles to suit just about every taste and budget.

Fenton Vision Center is pleased to have on staff the services of licensed optician Cherie Campbell. "She has been with us for more than 13 years and brings her skill in dispensing glasses and contact lenses as a licensed optician to our patients," said Cupal. "It's rare for a practice to have a licensed professional in this area, and we are very happy that she's part of our team." The staff of Fenton Vision Center includes five employees, in addition

to the husband and wife optometry team of Cupal and Alvarado.

Together, they bring to their patients a high level of practice and specialization. "We're a full service optometry practice for all ages," said Alvarado. "We see patients under age 1 at no cost, so we can test their vision and eye development. Our patients then go through their senior years under our care, treating them for glaucoma, macular degeneration, diabetes-related vision issues and more."

Cupal's specialization in the diagnosis and treatment of glaucoma brings many patients from the Kellogg Eye Institute at University of Michigan for close monitoring at Fenton Vision Center. "We get referrals from the Kellogg Eye Institute at U-M Hospital to monitor the surgical success of patients who live in our area. We take this work very seriously." Cupal had practiced for five years at Bascom-Palmer Eye Institute in Miami, Florida and five years at the Kellogg Eye Institute before coming home to the Fenton area to open the practice in 2001.

Fenton Vision Center is also proud to specialize in vision therapy and low vision, offering vision help to all ages. They're committed to providing the latest in technology so that vision impairment, eye injuries and diseases of the eye can be detected and treated early.

Their latest equipment is a new Visual Evoked Potential (VEP) machine, which helps the doctors see how well the eye is communicating with the brain — in patients as young as 6 months. "It's like an EKG or EEG for the eyes," said Alvarado.

Both Cupal and Alvarado are passionate about the importance of nutrition and eye health and are pleased to have been accepted as members of the Ocular Nutrition Society — a very strict group of doctors of optometry and ophthalmology that study nutrition as it relates to the eyes. "Your eyes tell a lot about your overall health," said Cupal.

For more information, call (810) 629-3070 or visit fentonvision.com.

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— Dr. Juan Alvarado, O.D., Diplomate, American Board of Optometry  
Fenton Vision Center



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Husband and wife optometry team Dr. Juan Alvarado, O.D., Diplomate, American Board of Optometry and Dr. Cynthia L. Cupal, O.D., F.A.A.O., Diplomate, American Board of Optometry, bring a high level of practice and specialization to their patients.

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Fenton High School junior Jessica Kunderick stands next to a framed version of her artwork that was selected by a panel of judges to represent the Ruby Zima Student Film and Art Festival. Kunderick won \$250 for her design.

## Artwork, films, performers to be showcased

### ►Annual Ruby Zima Student Film and Art Festival to use Jessica Kunderick's logo design

Student art, films and performances will be showcased at Fenton High School during the fifth annual Ruby Zima Student Film and Art Festival.

To help prepare for this year's festival, a logo competition was held. "It was my idea to have the very first art competition for the logo," said Suzanne Jule, art teacher at Fenton High School. "I wanted to get more people participating and involved with the festival."

**“A picture with the roses on it that I saw one time inspired me to come up with my own design using the roses.”**

**Jessica Kunderick**  
Fenton High School junior

think I would win," said Kunderick.

High school students who submitted pieces to the festival or have signed up to perform are eligible to win prize money. First-place winners of each category will win \$250, second-place winners receive \$125 and third-place will win \$50.

"All students should make the most of all opportunities during their high school years," Fenton High School Principal Mark Suchowski said. "The chance to have one's artwork or other artistic efforts on display for our community is rare and one of which stu-

dents should take advantage. Recognition for a student's artistic effort is an important part of the Ruby Zima Festival."

The festival, which is named after retired English and drama teacher Ruby Zima, runs from 1 to 4 p.m. on March 15. Admission to the festival is \$2 for students, \$5 for adults and \$10 for a family of four. When the festival is concluded at 4 p.m., participants will be treated to appetizers from local restaurants.

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**I WANT TO** know how to get a job like Daniel Ruth. I can write drivels just like him.

**THESE BLEEDING HEART** liberals make me sick. There's a man who wants to practice law in Florida but isn't a citizen. They're thinking of changing the law for him. What happened to common sense?

**I WOULD LIKE TO** thank Brookshire Hathaway Michigan Real Estate for the beautiful bird feeder I received from them. You had a wonderful expo.

**I HAVE BEEN** driving on the same wheels forever. Potholes are not a problem for me. I'm that irritating one who does the speed limit and never has a chance to tailgate.

**YOU EVER NOTICE** how much hate is put out by the righty-tighties? It is never their fault, always someone else's.

**I'D LIKE TO** point out this country is supposed to be run by the Constitution, not your own personal religious beliefs.

**PRESIDENT OBAMA DOESN'T** have any

hair when it comes to standing up to Putin. He should do as the last president did and drag us into a couple of 13-year wars. That'll solve it.

**THANK YOU TO** the Walmart employee who helped me to a chair when I felt dizzy, and waited with me until my son came to pick me up.

**I GET A** kick out of the NCAA rules committee trying to install a 10-second rule before you can kick the ball. Why not just have an official watch over the ball for 10 seconds and then play?

**A CONSERVATIVE IS** a liberal who grew up and became mean. There is a sensible middle ground between the two but most people can't seem to find it.

**THIS COULD BE** interesting this week. I saw that Tiger Woods walked off the course last week when he was 10 strokes behind. Wonder if he's going to do it this week, too.

**WHY ARE FENTON** high school buses turning into the student drop off entrance to go back into the bus garage?

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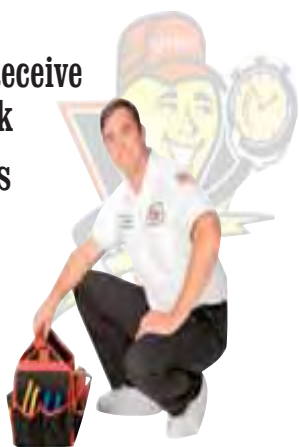
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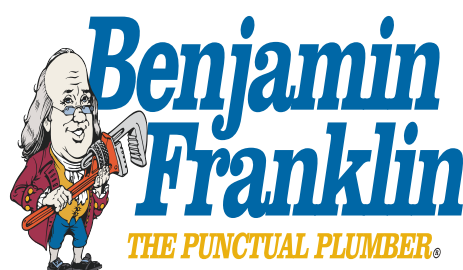
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## Outdoors



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The first  
*whiff of spring*  
usually comes in  
the form of a  
**skunk**

By Amy Mayhew  
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It may be difficult to wrap our minds around the fact that spring is nearly here, but the calendar speaks for itself — it's March! And if you venture out one of these cold nearly spring mornings, you may just catch the first whiff of spring — brought to you courtesy of Mr. Skunk.

Sometime between February and March, skunks emerge from their winter digs to begin breeding. Apparently, the single digit temps don't matter to the skunk, as I caught a whiff of one just last week as I drove down East Holly Road near Holly High School.

The stench occurs when males attempt to attract a female. If she's not in the mood, she retaliates with a stench of her own — one that sends her potential suitors packing. Fortunately, for us, the skunk's mating season is short-lived.

The liquid emitted by the skunk is actually a chemical called n-butyl mercaptan. Not only does it stink to high heaven, but it clings to skin and fur, and is difficult to remove. Skunks produce the liquid chemical in their bodies, but they don't have an endless supply of the stuff. One shot, and he's pretty much done for a while. Not only will the odor take your breath away, but if you get it in the face, it causes some serious pain and discomfort.

Only when largely provoked will a skunk fire away at a human or

another animal. One early May morning, our old dog Izzy ignored the skunk's foot stomping and hissing, only to take a direct hit to the face and chest. After taking her to a groomer who gave her multiple baths using a shampoo called, "Skunk Off," I resorted to the age-old remedy of giving her a tomato juice bath. It seemed to work for us, but recent tests show that tomato juice merely masks the odor.

Using a mixture of 3-percent hydrogen peroxide and a quarter cup of baking soda per quart of hydrogen peroxide with a little liquid detergent is safe, and gets rid of the smell on pets, according to William Wood, a chemist from Humboldt State University in California. For clothes and other objects, Wood says you can wash them down with a bleach solution. If the stench is in your house, all you can do is air it out.

## SKUNK FACTS

- **Skunks can spray** 13 to 23 feet in favorable wind conditions, but they're only accurate up to 6.5-feet.
- **Believe it or not**, skunk dens don't stink. Only during aggressive encounters will skunks spray one another.
- **Skunks are mainly** carnivorous, sticking with insects, and small mammals as major prey. They also enjoy eating grubs, bird's eggs and fruit.
- **Found in many** different habitats, skunks are common in many urban areas, but prefer open or forest edge areas where they can use their long front claws to forage for food at night.

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## Broken hose to blame for tanker leak



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

The Fenton Township Fire Department, the Michigan State Police and Genesee County Sheriff's Department responded to the rest area along northbound U.S. 23, just south of Lahring Road in Fenton Township at 1:20 p.m. Thursday for a tanker truck leaking fuel. A hose on the tanker truck that was carrying 12,000 gallons of fuel broke, causing about 200 gallons of fuel to leak from a compartment holding 4,000 gallons of fuel. A hazmat crew cleaned up the spill, and the Fenton Fire Department was on standby.

# 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. 28.

**House Bill 4855: Expand lottery winner government debt garnishment**  
To revise a law that requires the state lottery bureau to deduct any unemployment benefit overpayments, child support arrearages or debts to the state from the winnings of a person who wins \$1,000 or more. The bill would also require any debt or liability to the state welfare agency to be deducted from the winnings.  
*Introduced by Rep. Kenneth Kurtz (R)*  
**Passed 107 to 1 in the House**  
*Rep. Joe Graves R-Argentine Twp. voted:*  
☒ YES ☐ NO


**Senate Bill 630: Let Lansing TIFA extend debt duration**  
To let a "tax increment finance authority" in the city of Lansing refinance debt with new loans that have maturities beyond what is currently allowed, and exempt these new loans from a 2001 law that restricts refinancing loans if there is no overall benefit to the municipality. Lansing wants to stretch out its loan repayments for cash flow purposes, because the extra tax revenue it presumed would result from projects funded by the debt (garage structures) has not been forthcoming. This would be the second time the legislature has allowed Lansing to extend debt in a manner not permitted by that 2001 municipal debt reform.  
*Introduced by Sen. Rick Jones (R)*  
**Passed 110 to 0 in the House**  
*Rep. Joe Graves R-Argentine Twp. voted:*  
☒ YES ☐ NO


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Secretary of State visits Holly school



Secretary of State Ruth Johnson talks to second-grade students at Rose Pioneer Elementary School in Holly last Wednesday before reading "A Fish Out of Water," as part of National Reading Month.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

**TO THE GENTLEMAN** at VG's on Silver Parkway, I want to thank you for being a good and honest person for finding my wallet and keys and turning them in. This is one of the reasons I live in Fenton.

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**IF UKRAINE WAS** dumb enough to continue to allow Russia to have a Navy port in/on their country then it should be no surprise to anyone why they are there. What did President Bush do when Russia invaded and annexed Georgia? No, not the state of Georgia.

■■■

**I KNOW A** way to coerce Russia, in a diplomatic manner, to withdraw out of the Ukraine without firing a shot. Our President should threaten that if the Russian military forces do not leave the Ukraine, Obama will personally sign up Putin for Obamacare.

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**THIS BRUTALLY COLD** winter is my fault. Environmentalists told me in order to prevent global warming I should use the new CFL light bulbs. Last fall I changed all of them. My mistake. They worked too well. I'll swap most of them back so that the climate can get warmer.

■■■

**BY THE TIME** Obama gets out of office, we will be so far in debt that no one living will be able to see us get out of debt.

News briefs

**Fenton Eagles Auxiliary 2460**  
Notice to members of Fenton Eagles Auxiliary 2460 — the group will discuss and vote on changes to the bylaws at their next two meetings, **March 12 and March 26 at 7 p.m.** Also, the Fenton Eagles Auxiliary 2460 would like to thank everyone who donated and helped on their Valentine's dinner. A special 'thank you' goes to Fenton Coney Grill for donating two large salads. All proceeds from the dinner will provide Easter dinner baskets for the needy in this area.

**HOW DO YOU** make a conservative laugh? Take away a man's work boots.

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**I HAVE NO** points on my license and perfect attendance at work. How do I do it? I simply leave three minutes sooner and go the speed limit.

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**IF YOU'VE EVER** listened to the news or polls, it's never pro Christian. It is always against God's word and the Bible. Society is evil.

FATAL

**Continued from Front Page**  
that occurred on Sunday, Feb. 9. Bryan Collins, Mariah's husband of three days was driving their Chevy Cobalt on northbound U.S. 23 just after 10 p.m. when it was struck head-on. 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.

Bryan and Keller are recovering from their injuries.  
Parker, who reportedly told police that he thought he was heading home, sustained minor injuries.  
Leyton said the investigation revealed that at about 5 p.m. on Feb. 9, Parker met up with some friends and arrived at an apartment in the Boulder Creek complex in Burton around 6 p.m. The underage people at the apartment put their money together and a resident of the apartment went to a store and bought a half-gallon of whiskey and returned to the apartment.

Around 7 p.m., the partygoers began doing shots of the whiskey with Coke chasers, according to Leyton. By 10 p.m., the half-gallon was nearly gone and Parker left the apartment. At 10:10 p.m., a witness told police that they saw Parker's car traveling westbound on Grand Blanc Road. The witness observed the car make a wide turn onto the exit ramp and proceed to travel southbound in the northbound lanes of the highway. At 10:15 p.m., 911 dispatch received calls of a head-on crash near the Torrey Road overpass in Mundy Township.  
A preliminary breath test was administered on Parker and he was jailed until Feb. 12 while the crash was investigated.

Blood samples analyzed by the Michigan State Police crime lab revealed Parker had a blood alcohol content (BAC) of .197 percent. A BAC of .08 is considered intoxicated.

**“An innocent life was taken and two others were injured. A man lost his bride and a boy lost his mother.”**

David Leyton, Genesee County prosecutor

Leyton said second-degree murder is punishable by up to life in prison, while the manslaughter and OWI causing death is punishable by up to 15 years. The OWI causing serious injury has a penalty of five years in prison.  
“Drunk driving is a serious crime and this is a harsh example,” said Leyton. “An innocent life was taken and two others were injured.”  
“A man lost his bride and a boy lost his mother.”

Leyton thanked the investigative work done by the Mundy Township police. With what happened at the Burton apartment, violations of local ordinances will be investigated.

When asked if this crash compared to any others in the area, Leyton mentioned the fatal crash caused by former Fenton resident, Kelly Arthurs. On March 10, 2008, Arthurs, who had alcohol and drugs in her system, crashed her SUV on Fenton Road in Mundy Township, killing Kelsey Caswell, one of her 8-year-old twin daughters. Arthurs eventually pleaded no contest to second-degree and is serving time in prison.

Parker was arraigned Friday afternoon. A cash surety bond of \$230,000 was ordered. He will be tethered and must remain living with his parents. A preliminary exam has been scheduled for March 19.

Associate Editor Tim Jagielo contributed to this story.

Charges filed against ZACHARY PARKER

- Count 1:** Second-degree murder
- Count 2:** Manslaughter with a motor vehicle
- Count 3:** OWI causing death
- Count 4:** Reckless driving causing death
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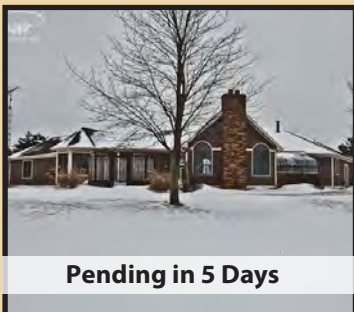
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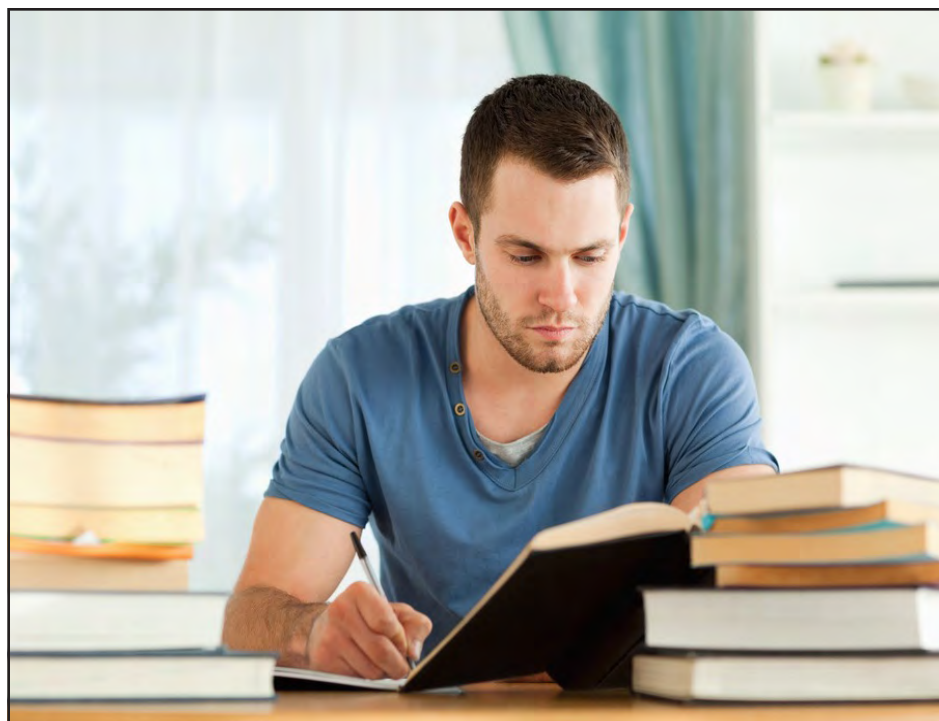
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By **Sally Rummel**

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The rite of passage for a college freshman used to be a trip to the campus bookstore. That costly ritual has now been replaced by a number of less expensive ways to fulfill the required reading for each particular class.

College students spend an average of \$655 per year on textbooks, according to the National Association of College Stores. Depending on your major, your average book expense may be much higher, especially in the math and sciences.

Chelsey Marie Warner, a 2013 graduate of the University of Michigan-Flint School of Nursing, borrowed books, bought them cheaper from friends or used from sites like amazon.com. She is right on target with some of the best ways to keep college costs down, including these tips from US News & World Report:

**Steer clear of the bookstore.** Convenience has a high price tag. While you may need to pick up specialized materials, shop elsewhere for your main books.

**Buy used.** Buying used books will save you a fortune, but not at the campus bookstore. Linda Ralston of Fenton suggests chegg.com or cheaptextbooks.com. You can also buy and sell used textbooks at Cash USA in Fenton. Buy used online by utilizing specific ISBN numbers to get the exact book and edition for your class. Mynextcollege.com offers a free search tool to compare online prices, and Amazon, eBay and book.ly are good places to start. "I used Amazon, and then sold them back to others on Amazon," said Ashley Autumn, a 2011 graduate of Baker College, in Human Services. "It was a bit labor intensive, but sometimes I would pay next to nothing for my books in the end."

**Share books.** Split the cost with a roommate or close friend taking the same class and arrange study schedules that will work for both of you. Tara Bayer, of Byron, a student at University of Michigan- Ann Arbor, chooses not to buy books, but to study with friends to keep her college costs down.

**Check the library.** While your school library many not have a copy of every single textbook, it likely has a number available, especially fiction and non-fiction books for liberal arts classes.

**Rent books.** This is becoming more and more popular, especially for expensive math and science textbooks. The downside is that you cannot sell rental books back and recoup the money.

**Opt for ebooks.** If you're taking classes that require historical texts, fiction, biographies, poetry and essays, you'll likely find those texts in ebook form. "After going back for graduate classes, I started buying e-text books," said Ryan Tackabury, a graduate student at the University of Michigan-Flint. "It's not only cheaper, but there are some extra conveniences, too, like taking notes on the ebook that synch across platforms, copying/pasting quotes from the ebook into Word."

**Buy the older edition.** Newer editions are often not that different from previous editions, but you'll want to compare new and old before you buy. Remember that page numbers will be different, when hunting through a text during a lecture.

Decide which books you'll want for the long-term. Once you get into upper-level courses for your major, those textbooks may come in handy during your future career.

Liv Dimmer, a freshman at Michigan State University studying Media and Information, says that many colleges have textbook Facebook groups, where students will sell their books very inexpensively. "Personally, I always check Amazon before I buy a book in a store," she said. "Never buy new, unless you absolutely have to."

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## ROADS

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and Wisconsin spend \$235 and \$231 per person, respectively. Alaska invests the most in their roads at \$2,032 per person.

The low funding combined with the extreme changes in weather season to season has made road maintenance a difficult task for The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT).

"We're trying to fund an aging infrastructure with depleting funds and we're not able to keep up with demand," said MDOT Spokesperson Anita Richardson.

"We're going to have to find a way to start making permanent repairs rather than just band-aids to fix potholes."

TRIP, a national transportation research group, reports that the state's deteriorating roads costs each driver more than \$1,000 annually, amounting to \$7.7 billion statewide.

MITA Vice President Mike Nystrom estimates an additional \$2 billion should be invested in infrastructure in order to noticeably improve roads and bridges.

"If we invest more in our infrastructure, those hidden costs to motorists will decrease, and we will all be saving when we 'hit the highway,' not when we hit the pothole," Nystrom said in a press release.

Like many other projects and issues facing Michigan, finding funds to improve roads is a challenge for state legislators. Needed items for maintenance such as concrete, fuel and asphalt continue to increase in price while the number of drivers continues to decline. For every gallon of gas sold in Michigan, 18.4 cents of it goes to the federal government while 19 cents goes to the state. Richardson said revenue from the state gas tax hasn't increased since 1997.

Earlier this year, Gov. Rick Snyder called for \$1.2 billion to go toward road repair, which would cost more than \$100 per vehicle. Increased registration fees and raising gas taxes to 33 cents per gallon are some of the suggestions Gov. Snyder has made in order to accumulate

**Michigan's highly-used road system has been underfunded for a number of years.**

Anita Richardson  
MDOT spokesperson

the necessary funding. A February poll from EPIC-MRA reveals 36 percent of Michiganders believe the state's \$1.2 billion surplus should be used to improve roads.

Upcoming MDOT road projects for Genesee County include the bridge over I-75 on Grand Blanc Road, pavement repair on I-69 from Center Avenue to M-15 and temporary pavement repair on Dort Highway near I-69 and M-54. Richardson said until funding improves, MDOT is limited when it comes to long-term solutions.

"Michigan's highly-used road system has been underfunded for a number of years, and the lack of funding has undermined the state's ability to effectively preserve its road system," Richardson said. "Without additional funding, the difference between Michigan roads and those in our neighbor states will only become more pronounced."



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The Fenton DPW has spent \$9,200 on patching materials for local roads, and expects to buy another \$4,600 on materials soon. Director Dan Czarnecki expects to spend more this year on patching. Local roads are funded by the city.

### Summary

► Michigan spends the least amount of funds on road and bridge repairs than any other state in America. MDOT and Gov. Rick Snyder are calling for more funding in order to improve infrastructure.

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# Feeling forgetful?

**► Know whether it's normal aging or early signs of Alzheimer's**

**By Sally Rummel**

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You lose your car in the parking lot, or even worse, you lose your keys to the car that is somewhere in the parking lot. Then you wonder if maybe this is more than just a random, forgetful moment. Maybe you really are heading down a path toward Alzheimer's.

John Strayer, of Fenton, knows well the difference between simple forgetfulness and the serious disease of Alzheimer's. As the owner of Tanglewood Assisted Living & Home Care, he experiences firsthand the devastation of Alzheimer's upon families, but also the simple joys of those residents who are in mid- to late-stages of the disease. Tanglewood takes only memory loss patients, and currently has 12 in residence.

“If you forget where your car keys are, you’re just forgetful,” said Strayer. “If you forget what your car keys are used for, then you’ve got a more serious health issue.” He also uses an example of a person who gets lost while driving. “If you are suddenly unable to find your way in a very familiar area, you may have a problem. Likewise, if you’ve always kept a meticulous check-book register and find yourself unable to do the simple math, it may be an indicator of Alzheimer’s.”

Alzheimer's is a progressive, terminal disease that gets worse over time. It accounts



**“An Alzheimer’s diagnosis is very depressing for the person experiencing the disease in its early stages, because they also have many moments of clarity. In mid and later stages, depression is not much of an issue.”**

## John Straver

*Owner of Tanglewood Assisted Living*

for about 60 to 80 percent of dementia cases, according to [alz.org](http://alz.org). Dementia describes a wide range of symptoms associated with a decline in memory or other thinking skills affecting a person's ability to perform everyday activities.

If you're simply forgetting everyday details, you're likely experiencing normal aging. "Judge yourself more by your peers than how your memory was 10 years ago," said Strayer. "If you all have about the same ability to remember things, then you're probably okay."

At 56, Strayer is already taking steps to reduce the possibility of Alzheimer's in his

Signs of <b>NORMAL CHANGE</b> vs. <b>EARLY ALZHEIMER'S SYMPTOMS</b>	
<b>NORMAL CHANGE</b>	<b>EARLY ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE</b>
Can't find your keys	Routinely place important items in odd places, such as keys in the fridge, wallet in the dishwasher
Search for casual names and words	Forget names of family members and common objects, or substitute words with inappropriate ones
Briefly forget conversation details	Frequently forget entire conversations
Feel the cold more	Dress regardless of the weather, wear several skirts on a warm day, or shorts in the cold
Can't find a recipe	Can't follow recipe directions
Forget to record a check	Can no longer manage checkbook, balance figures, solve problems, or think abstractly
Cancel a date with friends	Withdraw from usual interests and activities, sit in front of the TV for hours, sleep far more than usual
Make an occasional wrong turn	Get lost in familiar places, don't remember how you got there or how to get home
Feel occasionally sad	Experience rapid mood swings, from tears to rage, for no discernible reason

## Ten ways to lessen your chance of getting Alzheimer's as you age:

- 1. Aerobic exercise**
- 2. Learn a new language**
- 3. Learn new music or math skills**
- 4. Regularly alter your routine**
- 5. Eat a Mediterranean diet**
- 6. Perform hand-eye coordination skills, i.e., juggling**
- 7. Limit alcohol (one drink a day for women, and one to two for men, maximum)**
- 8. Stay mentally active**
- 9. Socialize and make new friends**
- 10. Control blood pressure and cholesterol**

Source: Tanglewood Assisted Living

own future. He is learning Spanish with the Rosetta Stone program, working to keep his mind active while fulfilling a lifelong dream of fluency in another language. Tackling a new instrument is another way to ward off Alzheimer's.

"A common thread of Alzheimer's is the retainment of the love of music," said Strayer. "That's why hymns are so often recalled, as well as songs from the person's main musical era of age 17 to 25."

Strayer is also learning to fly fish, engaging his mind in a new activity, while enjoying the physical and mental benefits of being outdoors.

These and a few other tips for lessening your risk of getting Alzheimer's are listed with the story, but Strayer sees much more value in these goals than just for keeping a future disease at bay. "It just makes your life so much more interesting to do all these things," he said.

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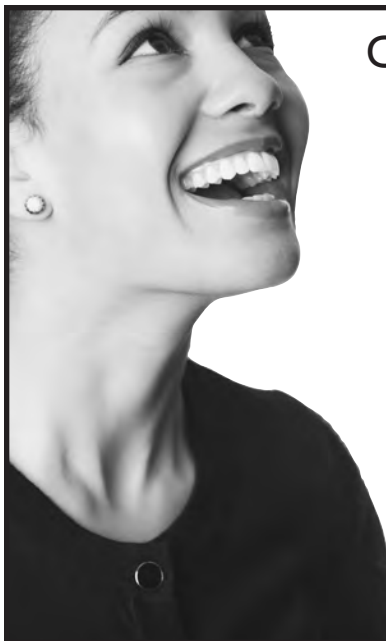
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Understandably, the latter is usually said to children. From St. John School, 400 attended that morning.

Ezop said 1,500 attended between the three Ash Wednesday services. The ashes used for Wednesday are always the palm fronds from the previous year's Palm Sunday, which are ritually burned the Sunday prior.

Ash Wednesday "marks" the start of the Lenten season for Catholics, Presbyterians, Methodists and Protestants. St. John alone has about 3,000 member families, or 9,000 individuals.

The 40 days of Lent are based on which Sunday Easter falls. Unlike Christmas which is always Dec. 25, Easter is determined by a complex formula based on Jewish feast traditions, which follow a lunar calendar, said Ezop. The mark of ashes itself is also a Jewish tradition, representing penitence, and mourning which is still the purpose today.

But for Lent, the whole tempo and mood of the church changes during the 40 days. The atmosphere is intentionally somber. It is supposed to mirror the 40 days Jesus prayed and fasted preparing to minister, and eventually die on the cross.

During this time, the church decorations are more muted and simple. Even the music will be more restrained. Certain songs that are only for celebration during the regular time of the year are omitted, like "Gloria in Excelsis Deo," or "Glory to God in the Highest."

The other is the Alleluia Chorus. Both are brought back for the Easter Mass, which for Catholics at the service, is a big deal — these songs come roaring back with a spirit of celebration missing during Lent. In this way, said Ezop, they are fasting also.

For his homily, or sermon, he'll highlight themes of change and conversion, and responding to God's grace.

"I might be kind of an oddball in that I like it," he said with a laugh, adding that most feel they "endure" Lenten challenges, not welcome them. "I welcome the challenge of Lent."

It is a popular tradition to give up something during the 40 days, but it's not required by the church, said Mike Stechschulte, managing editor of the Michigan Catholic, the official newspaper of the Archdiocese of Detroit, the biggest, and head diocese of Michigan, comprising of about 230 parishes.

Stechschulte said that anecdotally, popular things to give up during Lent are sweets, TV or social media.

Fr. Ezop is giving up ice cream — especially mint chocolate chip from Uncle Ray's Dairyland. The other components, said Ezop, are almsgiving and a spirit of prayer.

On top of no sweets or pop, Stechschulte said he awakes 30 minutes early to pray, during this period. "It's always a time I use to try to improve myself in some way," and get closer to God, he said.

Comparatively, Muslims observe Ramadan, also based on their lunar calendar. From June to July 28 this year, a complete fast will be observed during daylight hours.

For Catholics, the only required fasts where only one meal is encouraged are Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday. Many also observe abstaining from meat on Fridays.

“It’s a way to remind ourselves that we don’t have to let our physical appetites master us, we control them.”

Fr. Dwight Ezop  
St. John the Evangelist  
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Fr. Dwight Ezop of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, along with lay ministers, distributed ashes to 500 people. This is the first Ash Wednesday service in Fenton for Fr. Ezop.

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## GAS PRICES

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Whether the price of gas will continue to rise is an oil speculator's guess — literally.

"It all goes according to the news. The Ukraine controversy is raising prices and speculators are speculating a shortage, so they raise the price," said Doug Smith, owner of Smitty's Exit 80 in Fenton. "They raised prices on stations two Saturdays in a row, which they never do."

According to Gasbuddy.com, a website that tracks gas prices by state and metro area, the most expensive gallon of gas in the Flint area was on June 5, 2013 at \$4.28. The lowest gas has been in a year in the same area was Dec. 18, 2013 at \$2.98. A year ago, gas averaged

\$3.70 a gallon in the Flint area.

Tensions all over the world have caused gas prices to increase overall in the past few years. According to AAA, oil companies increased gas prices by 89 cents due to the violence in Egypt and Libya in 2011. Oil companies raised prices again in 2012 by 56 cents during tensions with Iran. This year, AAA is expecting gas to peak at \$3.55 to \$3.75, lower than last year's high.

At times, it seems that gas prices will rise on specific days like Thursday or during a busy holiday weekend. Smith said in the wintertime, the gas prices rely more on speculation and movement in the stock market. Come summertime though when more people are traveling and on vacation, Smith does see more frequent price changes.

While motorists all over the country are getting hit hard with higher gas prices, Michiganders are especially feeling it as the state ranks seventh in the nation for highest fuel prices. Michigan had the highest increase in gas prices of all the states in February at 39 cents a gallon.

What happens though if world conflicts and other events don't cause oil shortages?

"The price will eventually go back down. Meanwhile, oil companies are still making a lot of money," said Smith.

Gas won't be decreasing in price anytime soon it seems, or at least not significantly. One way to save on fuel costs is to pump at less expensive stations.

Gasbuddy.com has an app for smartphones where drivers can compare prices by metro area. The website also suggests driving slower, keeping tires properly inflated and not braking as hard.

**“The Ukraine thing hit and they raised prices on us two Saturdays in a row.”**

**Doug Smith**  
Owner of Smitty's Exit 80

## Calendar of events

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WILD GAME DINNER

The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Wild Game Dinner on Saturday, March 22 from 4 to 8 p.m. at St. John's Activity Center, Grand Hall in Fenton. Donations will be accepted at the door — \$20 for adults, \$7 for children 12 and under. Raffle — \$5 per ticket or five tickets for \$20. For advance raffle tickets, call (801) 938-9030 or (248) 634-7231. Menu includes Padre's bear chili, salmon chowder, turkey soufflé, goose gumbo, elk pasties, stuffed cabbage and more.

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The Youth Group at Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church is holding a traditional "sock hop" dance for families, on Saturday, March 15 from 5 to 9 p.m. The sock hop will be located in the school gym and feature music, dancing, games, and prizes. Concessions will be available in the cafeteria. Tickets at the door are available for a suggested donation of \$5 for ages 14 to adult, \$2 for ages 4 to 13, and children under 4 are free. All proceeds from the event benefit Youth in Missions. For more information, please call Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church at (248) 887-4300. The church is located at 13667 West Highland Road (M-59), three miles east of U.S. 23 in Hartland Township.

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cold, rainy weather to increased inflammation and pain as tissues in the body expands and puts pressure on nerves.

**Psoriasis:** Cold, dry air also sucks moisture out of the skin, making it more vulnerable to psoriasis flare-ups.

### Lightning

**Migraines:** When lightning strikes, watch for more headaches and migraines in people who suffer from these chronic conditions. A study noted in Reader's Digest found that headaches were 28 percent more likely to occur when lightning struck within 25 miles of study participants' homes, perhaps due to the electromagnetic waves emitted from lightning. Lightning also increases the volume of ozone in the air, and can release fungal spores that can bring on migraines.

### Storms

**Depression:** The sharp drops in barometric pressure typically occurring before a storm may increase the risk of depression in some individuals. In fact, low barometric pressure has been linked to increased psychiatric emergency room visits, especially related to violent acts.

**Asthma:** Thunderstorms can also be a problem for many asthma patients who list pollen as a primary trigger. Wind in thunderstorms carries pollen grains at ground level that get into the lower part of the airway, sending high numbers of asthma patients to hospitals for the treatment of asthma attacks.

### Spring

**Allergies:** Is it pollen or the weather? Many folks are allergic to pollen from flowers, trees and grasses, which bring on sneezing, stuffiness and even difficulty breathing. Other people who don't have allergies often experience similar symptoms brought on by sudden changes in temperature and humidity, according to WebMD. But before undergoing any treatment, people suffering from allergy-like symptoms in the spring should get a diagnosis from a doctor.

### Hot days

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**Multiple Sclerosis:** Steamy weather and even slight rises in core body temperature can exacerbate symptoms.

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## Tri-county fundraisers

### J's Bar to hold fundraiser for East Maple fire victims

Victims of the Feb. 23 Maple Street fire that claimed one of Holly's oldest homes and displaced several families that once lived there may soon be getting some financial relief, thanks to Brenda Krug and J's Bar of Holly. Krug, who helped coordinate the event, said all proceeds generated in the fundraiser will be split equally among all former tenants of the home. Those attending the benefit from **3-10 p.m. on Saturday, March 15** can plan on raffles every hour on the hour beginning at 4 p.m., a 50/50 drawing at the end of the night, drink specials, food, music, and more. The event hopes to raise at least \$15,000 for the 10 adults and six children who were displaced by the fire. J's Bar is located at 902 North Saginaw St., Holly.

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# Meet the Lasco brothers

- Family men
- Business men
- Lifelong Fenton residents

By William Axford

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Jay and Matt Lasco grew up working in their father's dealership and now run the business as vice presidents. The Lasco brothers are looking to expand their business this year, as well as their contributions to the Fenton community.

## How did you two get into the car business?

**Matt:** In 1982, our father Phil became a dealer. I went to college in '96 to 2000 at Northwood and started working in the store in '98.

**Jay:** I went to school 2000 to 2004 at Ferris State and I did the same thing as Matt. We've been working here our whole lives, as kids. We've worked in every single department from cleaning cars to shuttle drivers.

## How has the business changed through the years?

**Matt:** There's some basics in the business that have stayed the same — treating customers well, giving them a great experience and maintaining your client base. They're still very important factors in the business. The way we do business, that's what has changed a bunch. In 1998, you predominately met a customer on the phone or on the car lot and maybe 1 percent shopped through the Internet. Now it's almost the complete opposite, almost every buyer in some way has been affected electronically.

**Jay:** We've embraced digital; it doesn't matter if it's social media or online advertising. Now we communicate through email, texting or online chat. It was right around 2000 when we installed the Internet at Lasco Ford.

## Car technology is rapidly changing, with some models becoming self-driving. How do you think this will affect drivers?

**Matt:** I don't see a negative to any side of it, especially if they take the distractions away.

**Jay:** I think customers are always going to look for those safety components but I don't think you'll ever be able to take away the fun of driving. People love to drive their car.

## What car or truck are you two looking forward to this year?

**Matt:** I'm a car guy, so the Mustang is



**"We've become really good counterparts. We've found our roles within the company."**  
Matt Lasco

going to be my car of the year. I keep seeing those 'Need for Speed' ads and that car just looks like a driving machine. It'd be really fun to get inside of one.

**Jay:** The F-150. Every single time Ford releases a redesigned F-150 they just step it up to the next level.

## What's it like running a business together as brothers?

**Matt:** At this stage in life, we've been through all those bumps and bruises. He and I are very opposite when it comes to our personality types, so we've become really good counterparts. We've found our roles within the company together. Most of our family is still here in Fenton, influencing the community.

**Jay:** We take that influence from our father who was born and raised here in Fenton. He did a lot for the community and we're trying to follow in his footsteps by giving back with support and services.

## What's the future of Lasco Ford?

**Matt:** We're about to do a complete remodel of the entire property, from high tech service drive-ups and lanes to completely new showrooms with interactive cars and customer comfort features. We are genuinely going to strive to be the biggest Ford dealer in Michigan. We currently employ more than 190 employees and most of them have been here for a very long time. That's something we're really proud of as a company.

**Jay:** That redesign includes from the ground up service facility and a

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Brothers Jay Lasco (left) and Matt Lasco aim to become the biggest Ford dealership within the state.

floor-to-ceiling, wall-to-wall remodel of the building for sales. We've kind of outgrown ourselves at this point with facilities. We're going to have a handful of cars in the showroom with the new building and a much better experience for the consumer.

## ASK THE MECHANIC

Chris Wilkinson,  
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**Q:** I have a 2004 Dodge Neon manual transmission. I was going down the road and all of a sudden I heard a pop. Now it acts like the car is in neutral, you can shift it into gear but it won't go when you let out on the clutch.

- Shoney

**A:** Shoney, It sounds like you have had an internal transmission failure or an axle shaft come apart. These cars are known for the differential pin coming out and damaging the case of the transmission. You will need to have it up in the air enough to get to the back side of the transmission. Look at the small curved cover for any kind of damage or leaking fluid. When you have the car jacked up you should also look at the front C/V axles and make sure the boots are intact and not twisted or torn. You can also try rotating the tires while in gear and jacked up to see if the axle shafts spin on both ends like they should. The tires should be difficult or unable to rotate.

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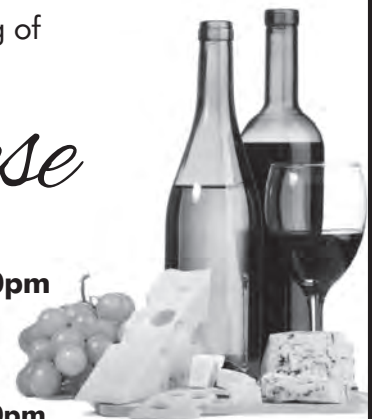
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### OLYMPICS

**Q** How many gold medals did American speed skater Dan Jansen win in his career?

**A** He was favored to win many in four Winter Olympics, but didn't win one until the 1992 games in France.

### GIRLS CLASS A REGIONAL

#### Class A At West Bloomfield Tuesday's game

Canton 42, Holly 33  
Lakeland 37, Howell 32

#### Thursday's title game

Canton 43,  
Lakeland 24

### BOYS DISTRICTS

#### Class A At Fenton High School Monday's game

Grand Blanc 92,  
Holly 86, OT

#### Wednesday's games

Grand Blanc 66,  
Linden 31

Brandon 65, Fenton 58

#### Friday's title game

Grand Blanc vs. Brandon

#### Class B At Corunna High School Monday's game

Goodrich 60, Durand 14

#### Wednesday's games

Goodrich 80,  
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## Tri-County teams defeated at districts

►Tigers falter in fourth vs. Brandon, 65-58

By David Troppens

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**Fenton** — The teams split their two regular season games.

Both ended the regular season with nine wins. They both ended up tied at 8-8 in Metro action.

So the fact that Fenton's Class A district semifinal game with Brandon wasn't decided until the final minutes of the fourth quarter, probably didn't shock anyone.

What may have shocked a few was how efficient the Blackhawks' offense was in the final period.

Led by Chuckie Rice's 10-point fourth quarter, the Blackhawks scored on all but their first possession of the final eight minutes, sparking Brandon to a 65-58 victory against the Fenton Tigers.

"They knocked down some shots and they have Chuckie, who is a good left-handed player," Fenton junior Dillon Gardner said. "He just took it to the rim a lot. He made some good left-handed shots. No one could check him one-on-one."

Fenton led 45-39 entering the final period, and all started well in the fourth when Brandon missed their first shot, but that was the last one that would go awry. Brandon scored buckets on each of their next five possessions — four coming on attacking penetration by Rice — taking a 50-49 lead with 4:33 remaining. Fenton was able to retake the lead on a James Claborn three-pointer and two converted free throws by the senior, but a 10-foot jumper by Brandon's Nicholas Keller with 2:45 gave the Blackhawks a 56-54 lead. Fenton's Beau LePage tied the contest back up at 56-all with



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(Above) Fenton's Alec Thomas (right) attacks the basket for a potential shot in Fenton's loss to Brandon on Wednesday. (Left) Linden's Austin Buerkel (left) tries to drive by a Grand Blanc foe in the Eagles' district loss.

two converted free throws, but Brandon's offense proved deadly at the charity stripe the rest of the game, converting on 9-of-10 free throws over the final 2:08, eventually capturing the win.

The Tigers' last time with the

ball and within a possession of the lead came with 43 seconds left. Trailing 61-58, Fenton tried to work for a shot but eventually had to settle for a tough three-pointer by Claborn with

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►Linden looking to future after loss to Bobcats

By David Troppens

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**Fenton** — At the start of this prep basketball season, Linden's second-year head coach Anthony Wright discussed patience and how the future looks brighter than the present.

Some of that has certainly surfaced during the 2013-14 boys' season. Some progress was shown. The first place people look for progress is with the record. And the Eagles did slightly improve going from two wins to three victories this season, capturing wins in two of their last five contests.

There were other ways the team improved as well, frequently finding themselves in position to compete for victories against some of the best teams in the Metro League, conference champions Holly and the previous league power Fenton.

However, at the same time it's obvious the Eagles have a way to go before becoming one of the area contenders in the Metro League or a district tourney. That became evident again on Wednesday when Linden lost to the defending Class A district champions Grand Blanc by a 66-31 verdict at Fenton High School.

The Bobcats (20-2) dominated from the start, forcing Linden into turnovers during five of the Eagles' first six possessions. When Grand Blanc's Tre'von Avery netted a three-pointer with 5:17 left in the opening quarter, Linden already trailed 9-0.

To the Eagles' credit, they fought to keep it close for awhile. Linden (3-18) cut the

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# YOU KNOW, YOU WANT IT...

# Lady Bronchos fall in regional semifinals

By David Troppens

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**West Bloomfield** — Some were smiling. Some were fighting back the tears. And some probably reflected back in amazement.

It was moments after the Holly varsity girls basketball team's 42-33 Class A regional semifinal loss to Canton, and there were certainly all sort of emotions flying around among the Holly Bronchos.

However, one thought in each of the players' and coaches' minds probably had to do with pride as well.

The Bronchos saw their 22-game win streak finally come to an end, and their season come to an end in the process, after with the regional semifinal loss to the Chiefs.

As Holly had done all year, the Bronchos fought the entire 32 minutes, but Canton's defense held Holly scoreless for the first 7:22 of the fourth quarter. It made what was a 27-25 Holly lead entering the final period into a 36-27 deficit. It wasn't until Allyssa Copley hit a putback hoop with 38 seconds remaining in the game when the Bronchos finally scored in the fourth. By then, it was a case of too little, too late, as Canton ended the Bron-

chos' dream season. It also marked the end of the Copley era, as she scored a game-high 20 points, locking up her career 1,000th point in the process.

"I'm really proud of my team," Copley said. "I'm glad I got to end my career with them. Coming in as a freshman, I didn't know we'd be this good my senior year. I never would've even thought about it. But this team this year left everything we possibly could out on the floor every game. We did it this game, but we came up a little short. I'm still proud of the team in every way."

"I see a lot of people crying right now, but I couldn't be more proud of this team," fellow Holly senior Abby Lewandowski said. "This is a team that doesn't come around very often, what 21 years (since Holly won a district). I can't wait to look back at this 10 years down the road and think that was our team that did this. We are the team that made history."

The Bronchos did just that, capturing the first Metro League title and district championship since 1993 and finishing the regular season a perfect 20-0.

"We all got along really good and our coaches are amazing," senior Katie Ordiway said. "They are the greatest ever.

Everyone got along. We had great chemistry and that's what helped us a lot."

On Tuesday, the fourth quarter was the defining moment in the contest. Neither team experienced more than a five-point lead in the first three quarters, and Holly led 27-25 entering the final period. However, Canton's defense and size took over in the final eight minutes. Canton, whose roster included five players 5-foot-10 and over, scored second-chance hoops on each of its first three possessions of the fourth quarter, giving the Chiefs a 31-27 lead with 4:51 left after a driving layup by Paige Aresco. From there the Bronchos were forced to play catch-up against Canton's stingy defense, and the Chiefs were having nothing to do with it.

Holly missed three shots and turned the ball three times during the squad's first five possessions of the final period, while Canton scored at least one point on every single one of its possessions, icing the game with 9-of-13 shooting at the charity stripe during the final 1:48.

Copley finished her career in style, however. After the putback hoop with 38 seconds left, she made another driving layup

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Holly's Allyssa Copley (center) scored 20 points in the Lady Bronchos 42-33 Class A regional semifinal loss against Canton at West Bloomfield High School Tuesday night.

## LINDEN

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gap to 10-4 on a layup by Collin Hoeberling with 3:11 left in the first quarter, and cut it to six two more times. The final instance came at 16-10 on a Hoeberling steal and a fastbreak layup by Austin Buerkel, but Grand Blanc followed that hoop with a 17-point run. When Alexander Brackett ended the run with a layin and a converted free throw off a foul on the play, the Bobcats led 33-10 with just 2:38 left in the opening half. For the most part, the Bobcats had already punched their ticket to Friday night's district title game.

But, again, competing with Grand Blanc wasn't truly expected, so that wasn't a shock. So it made sense Wright didn't focus on that game when evaluating his team's performance during the season.

"This season went by so fast because we competed in so many games," Wright said. "We competed with great teams in the league. We would slip up every now and again, but for the most part we competed. We didn't compete much my first year, but we had kids that worked very hard, listened and wanted to get better."

The Eagles do have some things to hang their hats on in the near future. First off, the Eagles' varsity team remains a young squad. Only Hoeberling and Travis Rinks were seniors. Nine players were juniors and Trent Strang, who began seeing starting action during the year, is only a freshman. And it's at the freshman level that the Eagles show the most encouraging signs of a positive future. The squad routinely dominated its competition this year, and only lost

two games. So when Wright talks about a positive future, it does seem brighter days are ahead.

"The freshman team lost two games and one was a tough game to Carman-Ainsworth who lost only one game," Wright said. "We have very good younger players coming up. ... We're putting more emphasis on getting in the gym — shooting, dribbling, passing and building your basketball IQ. We want them to watch more basketball. During the summertime you don't have much more responsibility than a summer job, so we want them to go outside or find a gym and work on their games."

"Those younger kids are putting in the time every single day."

With that work, Wright expects a better culture around the program.

"You need to put in the work. And with it the culture of the program can change," Wright said. "You can't walk on to the basketball court in November and expect to win championships. That's what it comes down to. You have to put in the work. It comes down to being better leaders and stepping up, being focused."

When Linden was able to get a shot against Grand Blanc, they were pretty efficient, scoring on 50 percent of their shots. However, the troubles came with the turnovers, as the Eagles had 33 of them.

The Eagles were paced by Buerkel's nine points against Grand Blanc. Buerkel also had three rebounds. Mewanwhile, Hoeberling finished with eight points. Travis Rinks netted seven points and also had four rebounds. Kyle Korman led the squad with five rebounds and also had two assists, while Devon Cota had four rebounds and a block.

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# Tickle has a need for speed & dirt

►Motocross star considers Holly a second home, returning for Ford Field event

By David Troppens

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Broc Tickle has always had a need for speed.

"I got a PW50 (dirt bike) when I was 3-years-old for Christmas," said Tickle, who considers Holly a second home. "I started there and started traveling."

Tickle has been hooked ever since, and that's a good thing.

That's because the 24-year-old has made it his profession. If one turns on the weekly supercross or motocross event on television, it's likely you'll see "The Tickler" in action on his No. 20 Suzuki RM-Z450 bike. Last week, in Indianapolis, he placed a career-best fifth place on the Monster Energy Supercross circuit at Lucas Oil Stadium, moving him to 10th in the overall point standings. He's into his second year of two-year contract riding with RCH Racing, which is co-owned by motocross legend Ricky Carmichael.

Next week Tickle, sponsored by Soaring Eagle Casino, will get to display his talents in front of what may be his adopted second home in Michigan when he competes in Saturday's Monster Energy Supercross to be held at Ford Field. Saturday's event marks the first time supercross has been in Detroit since 2008.

"I am looking forward to Detroit," Tickle said. "I have a lot of support there. I think we're getting 60 tickets for family and friends. I am hoping to get on the podium. That's the goal and I feel I can do it."

## Life in Motocross

As long as Tickle can remember, he's wanted to race, starting with that first bike he got for Christmas.

"It's weird but when I was younger I didn't want to do anything else," said Tickle, who is originally from North Carolina. "That's all I wanted to do. At one point it got hard because it became difficult to separate the job with fun. But now that I've gotten older and realize

## Monster Energy Supercross at Ford Field

For the first time since 2008, the Monster Energy Supercross series is headed to Detroit. Among the competitors is Broc Tickle, who has some family ties to the Holly area.

**When:** March 15. The doors open at 12:30 p.m. and the main event is scheduled for 7 p.m.

**Tickets:** Range from as cheap as \$20 to as much as \$125 for an all-access pass. Tickets are \$5 more on the day of the event.

**Television:** Will be aired on FS1 at 11 p.m. on March 15, and three more times over the next two days.

**About Tickle:** Tickle is 10th in the 450 SX season point standings, and recently placed fifth at Indianapolis.

how I'm able to get paid for what I do and I love it. A lot of people have jobs they don't love doing. That motivates me to do the best I can."

Tickle's first major success came in the 2006 Loretta Lynn's Amateur Motocross Championship, when he captured the 250 Open A Championship. From there, he turned pro at the age of 16.

"I drove from the Loretta Lynn (race) in Tennessee to Millville (Minnesota) in my own van," Tickle said. "I took 11th in my first moto, which was really good. It was just me and my help. My dad and grandpa flew in to see my home debut."

In 2007, Tickle competed in the AMA Motocross Championships, finishing the season in 10th overall. From there, Tickle quietly progressed. In 2010, he earned his first victory, getting a win in the Seattle AMA in the Supercross Lites division.

"It was weird because I was so relaxed the whole day," Tickle said. "I got off to



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Supercross and motocross professional Broc Tickle competes in a past event. He's 10th in the Monster Energy Supercross 450SX series this season. He's expected to compete at the event at Detroit's Ford Field.

a good start, rode my race and cut the gap between first and second. When I got off the track it almost shocked me to not show that much emotion. It sunk in the next couple of days."

In 2011, Tickle captured his second win at the 2011 Oakland Lites Supercross main event. He ended the season winning the season point standings.

"Winning that championship in 2011, it's really cool to look back on," Tickle said.

## Michigan ties

Tickle grew up in North Carolina but grew some roots during a trip to Daytona. His wife, Jessica Brewer, is a Holly native. They were married in 2007.

"We started dating and in about two to three months went from there," Tickle said. "(2007) was my first time up in Michigan."

Now the couple lives in California. But the Tickles make their share of trips

back to Michigan, and to Holly.

"I had a great experience there," Tickle said.

"I enjoy being there in the offseason. I'll go there for a month or so. It's a perfect in the fall, and even the summers are amazing. I enjoy the winter, as well."

## This season

Tickle's season has had a few ups and downs. In Anaheim he qualified second for the main event and placed a solid eighth. He followed that up with an eighth-place finish again at Phoenix, but he also suffered his first major setback the next week back at Anaheim. Tickle sprained his wrist, bruised his palm and jammed his pointer finger. It kept him sidelined for two weeks.

When Tickle came back, he posted two strong seventh-place performances at Arlington and Atlanta. However, he

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Fenton's Beau LePage (left) attempts a shot during the Tigers' loss to Brandon on Wednesday during district action.

## TIGERS

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13.5 seconds left. After the miss Brandon's Dylan Morris pretty much iced the victory with two converted free throws, upping the gap to 63-58.

"They executed," Fenton coach Tim Olszewski said. "They did an excellent job finishing around the basket. They did an excellent job hitting free throws. They had a great plan. I have to say they executed their game plan pretty darn well. And some of those shots were not easy."

Until the fourth, both teams had their share of runs, but even when someone stretched the lead a tiny bit, one had a sense the other squad would come back. The contest featured eight lead changes and four ties, with five of the lead changes coming in the first half.

Brandon's biggest lead in the first half was four, coming the final time at 10-6 after a conventional three-point play by Keller with 3:13 left in the opening quarter. However, Fenton ended the period with a 10-4 run, and took a 16-14 lead into the second period after a Gardner assist on a Beau LePage three-pointer.

Brandon took a brief 20-18 lead with 5:52 left in the second quarter, but Fenton responded with a nine-point run, starting with a conventional three-point play after a Claborn steal and assist on a Gardner layup and converted free throw. That hoop was followed by consecutive treys by Claborn, putting Fenton up 27-20 just 2:10 after Brandon took the lead. Fenton led 30-25 at the break.

The biggest lead by either team was earned by Fenton with 5:59 left in the third quarter when Gardner connected on a driving three-footer and then converted a free throw after being fouled on the play. How-

ever, Brandon had the lead cut to 37-34 after a layup by Jake Sutherland with 4:04 still remaining in the third. Neither team had more than a six-point lead from that point on until the final score.

Claborn ended his Fenton career in style with a game-high 21 points and four rebounds. Gardner netted 19 points and five rebounds, while LePage had seven points and five boards. Sutherland led Brandon with 17 points, while Morris netted 16 and Keller scored 13.

The Tigers had their share of close games this year, losing three overtime contests. Fenton returns all but Claborn, Scott Lukas and Andrew Mowery, so a strong nucleus returns from a respectable 9-12 squad.

"We do have a lot of returning guys," Gardner said. "We are almost all juniors, a sophomore and big Nick (Wyrick) is a freshman, and he's getting better every day. I think we'll be up next year. We have some size coming in. We have Ross (Ebert) back (from injury). We've lost most of our games by an eight-point margin so losing him was kind of big."

Gardner feels the team learned some lessons this year about varsity ball.

"The speed was a lot different," Gardner said. "I've played AAU, but that was different compared to this because that was more like a pick-up game. This was more fast-paced and more organized than AAU. That was the big thing for all of us to get used to. And the close-game situations, we struggled with that this year. But we are going to be used to that next year."

"(I hope that they learned) the feeling in that locker room," Olszewski said after the loss. "That's not a good feeling. What do we have to do to help avoid that happening next year. What we do is learn if we want to be committed or just involved."

## First quarter dooms LF vs. Martians, 80-35

By David Troppens  
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Life was going to be challenging as it was for Lake Fenton having to face a strong Goodrich squad in the Blue Devils' Class B district semifinal contest at Corunna High School on Wednesday.

The last thing the Blue Devils could afford was falling into a big hole to start the game. That's exactly what happened.

The Blue Devils trailed 27-3 after one quarter and were never able to get back into the contest, resulting in an 80-35 loss to the Martians.

The Martians (17-5) were the favorites entering the contest, and the early deficit didn't help matters. Lake Fenton modestly cut into the deficit by halftime, trailing 37-15. However, any faint hopes of a comeback ended when Goodrich scored 31 points in the third quarter.

Lake Fenton (10-10) was paced by Jalen Miller's 13 points, while Chris Bell netted 12 points. Merrick George netted six points, while Logan Readdy had four. Carlos Fordham led Goodrich with 18 points.

## TICKLE

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didn't leave Atlanta without controversy. It surrounded another driver — Mike Alesi — who purposely crashed into Tickle after he cleanly passed him during a qualifying race. Alesi ended up being fined and put on probation for the rest of the season.

"I've never been taken out like that. That was a little overboard," Tickle said. "I was not expecting it at all. I passed him clean. ... It was tough because I was going well, qualified good and it set me off my feet, but I was able to regroup."

Apparently he regrouped well, be-

cause a week later at Indianapolis he had his best ever finish in a 450SX Supercross event.

"I rode smart and smooth," Tickle said.

"Meanwhile guys were making mistakes and I started picking them off."

Tickle still has big plans for the rest of this year during the supercross and motocross series.

"I'd like to be in the top five (in the point series)," Tickle said.

"I'd like to finish top five consistently and build momentum from there. The team has been working hard and the bike is getting better and better."

It seems Tickle is as well.

## BRONCHOS

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and then dished a pass to Lewandowski for a layup on the Bronchos' final three possessions of the game.

"They didn't give us anything easy," Holly coach David Hall said. "The kids don't want to take a bad shot. Maybe we were a little hesitant instead of attacking them."

"They played great defense. That's the bottom line," Copley said. "We couldn't get our shots to fall when we needed to. They were all 5-9 or taller and we're 5-4 to 5-7, plus me. But things like that happen. That was a really good team we played, we came and showed up."

Holly trailed 9-4 at one time in the opening quarter but finished the period with an 8-2 run. Paige Reid assisted a Lewandowski layup late in the period, giving the Bronchos a 12-11 lead entering the second quarter.

The game featured four lead changes and three ties during the middle two quarters. Holly's biggest lead in that portion was four. The latest time that happened came on a Reid assist on a Copley 10-foot jumper. Holly led 27-23, but a putback hoop by Canton's Taylor Hunley to end the third quarter cut the gap to 27-25. That putback ended up being one of four straight possessions the Chiefs scored after an offensive board.

Copley had nine rebounds and two assists to go with her 20 points. Reid finished with eight points and three assists. Lewandowski had five. Smith, usually one of Holly's big guns, was held to just one shot the entire game and finished scoreless.

Arcesco led Canton (19-4) with 16 points, while Huntley netted 12.

"It's been absolutely fantastic, and I couldn't have had a better team," Ordway said. "They are just amazing."

It was an amazing season.

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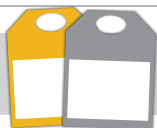
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# Life Style

SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2014

SECTION B

## Where and how to spring clean

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Fat Tuesday is over and you've just set your clocks ahead one hour for Daylight Saving Time. I know what you're thinking — that's another hour of sunlight in the evening for spring cleaning, right?

Spring means opened windows, fresh breezes and probably a little catching up with projects you couldn't do because you were too busy trying to stay warm this winter.

Spring cleaning can be very in-depth, and can include office organizing, family pitch-parties and re-purposing your storage-garage into a car-garage.

The following tips focus on basic cleaning of high-traffic rooms. Each part of the house to clean is best tackled as a separate project, because each requires different tools and cleaning solutions. Fortunately, Martha Stewart has tasks and utensils broken down by priorities, from the floor up.

### Floors:

Non-'Oriental' carpets and rugs can be deep cleaned and vacuumed. For tile and grout, on bathroom floors, walls and counter tops, clean with penetrating grout sealer, and apply with small foam brush.

Non-wood floors of vinyl and linoleum can be waxed and polished with the appropriate polish. Stone and tile are treated with a paste or liquid wax also designed for the right surface.



### Walls and ceilings:

Thoroughly dust walls, ceiling and corners, starting with a vacuum cleaner. It makes sense to work top down, so dust can be vacuumed up afterward. Surface grime can be cleaned with mild degreaser — just test a small area first.

Dusting should also include shelves — remove books and items from shelves, and dust all the corners, then wipe the items and books down individually.

### Other things:

Check on those smoke detectors. Change the batteries just to be safe, or test them.

Metal hardware should be cleaned and polished.

Warm weather makes it more pleasant to beat the dust out of couch cushions outside, and check for stains.

### Windows:

You'll need: Cleaning solution of one part white vinegar, one part hot water, and a soft bristle brush, squeegee, bucket and towels. Schedule windows to be cleaned when there isn't direct sunlight on windows. The heat can cause the cleaning solution to streak as it dries. Use a soft bristle brush to clear dust and cob webs first. Prime the surface of the windows with the cleaning solution and sponge, wiping away the dirt. Wet the squeegee and wipe the remaining solution off the glass.

### Cleaning room by room:

**Kitchen:** Dust refrigerator coils and defrost freezer.

**Living room:** Trade out heavier heat-saving window coverings and rugs for lighter ones.

**Bedroom:** Rotate beds, change blankets, clean pillows.

**Bathroom:** Throw away expired beauty products, and check first-aid kit.

**Office:** Organize hard, and digital files. Clean the computer and monitor with damp cloth with water and mild dish detergent. Dust first.

**Closets:** Store cold weather apparel, bring out warm weather clothing. Donate what you will rarely use.

**Utility rooms:** Clean attic and basement, going through items rarely used, and donating them. Get items in basement off the floor with cinder blocks.

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## Don't like Daylight Saving Time? Blame the world wars

►Springing ahead, falling backward used to help conserve energy

By William Axford

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Clocks will move ahead one hour at 2 a.m. Sunday, March 9 in observance of Daylight Saving Time. The warmer weather and extra hour of sunshine is welcomed, but why do we have Daylight Saving Time?

Timeanddate.com traces the first introduction of daylight saving to Britain in the early 1900s, with the aim of having people being more active while the sun's out during the summer months. The bill was struck down in Parliament, due in part to opposition from farmers.

In 1784, Benjamin Franklin attempted to bring daylight saving to America and wrote an essay to The Journal of Paris detailing its benefits. Franklin theorized the economy would receive a boost if people's schedules were more aligned with the daylight during the summer months, since they would be burning less wood and candles.

Daylight Saving Time was not officially adopted in America until World War I according to National Geographic, in order to "reduce artificial lighting and thereby save

coal for the war effort." It was up to each state to decide if they would like to adopt this practice. During World War II, Daylight Saving Time was mandatory for every state. After the war, it went back to being decided by each state, with most deciding to adopt it in order to save energy. Arizona and Hawaii are the only two states that do not observe daylight saving due to their climate's extreme heat. Legislators in those two states doubt an extra hour could save them energy.

Detractors of Daylight Saving Time say the practice has done little to conserve energy, especially as devices and vehicles become more fuel and energy efficient. Standardtime.com questions the evidence for energy savings from daylight saving and if it were true, why not just keep daylight saving year round? Some studies have even suggested that health risks and auto accidents increase and that work productivity is lost since people are trying to align their internal clock with hours of sunshine.

Whether Daylight Saving Time will be reformed, Michigan will take part in this clock-resetting practice this weekend. Be sure to set your clocks ahead at 2 a.m. if they don't do so automatically.



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Abby Hotchkiss, assistant manager and Alex Hotchkiss are two agents working out of the new Real Estate One Professionals office in Holly.

## Real Estate One Professionals New Holly office offers hometown real estate sales

By Sally Rummel

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A new office of Real Estate One Professionals has expanded from Clarkston to Holly, bringing with it more than 21 years of experience in local real estate.

The new office opened Jan. 15 at 4048 Grange Hall Rd., across from Wendy's restaurant in Holly.

"We are looking forward to working locally in Holly, north Oakland and southern Genesee counties," said Abby Hotchkiss, assistant manager and one of seven agents at the helm of this employee-owned office. Serving as broker is Stan Kinney and as manager, Sharon Williams. "We have a long track record in this area with a focus on residential sales, vacant land, short sales, foreclosures and leasing of property."

With a strong sales team of 15 agents, Real Estate One Professionals in Holly is always looking for agents who would

like to work in their hometown, taking advantage of training and educational opportunities at corporate headquarters in Southfield.

"We know we're going to be very busy this spring with so much pent-up demand," said Hotchkiss, a real estate agent for 20 years. "Buyers are out there, waiting for more selling inventory. Credit criteria is loosening a bit, opening the door for more buyers to get into the market, while still taking advantage of low interest rates. It's going to be a great season for real estate."

Hotchkiss encourages interested agents to contact their office, as desk fees are lower than at many real estate companies. "We want to be your hometown real estate company," said Hotchkiss.

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## 'Calling all heroes'

►Anti-bullying advocate pushes kids to speak up and speak out

By William Axford

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**Lake Fenton** — Students were called upon to be heroes Thursday when anti-bullying speaker Kevin Epling spoke at Lake Fenton High School. Epling encouraged kids to defend others and speak out whenever they witnessed bullying, whether it was in person or online. Without the participation of students, Epling said bullying will never change.

"The most powerful force we have in schools today is you," Epling said in a packed auditorium. "You are the ones who are going to change this dynamic. We can change laws and pass policies but you're the ground troops. You can step in and step up."

Epling has been an advocate against bullying since 2002, after his son Matt took his own life due to a hazing incident. His efforts have accumulated into a state law called "Matt's Safe School

Law," requiring schools to adopt anti-bullying measures. Epling has traveled internationally, giving presentations about the harmful effects of bullying and has met with President Barack Obama on raising awareness about the issue.

But despite the constant lectures and challenge to students to speak up against bullying, Epling is aware that students face numerous obstacles, especially with cyber bullying. He reminded students that whatever they say online can be retrieved, even if they delete posts and accounts. The lack of in-person interaction has led to less empathy.

"I can just keep hitting send, I never see the damage. More and more, things are coming out and it seems like we don't care. As empathy comes in, you have to think about the other person and what they're going through."

Epling ended his presentation with a quote from Yoda, whom he considers to be the wisest of all philosophers.

"Try not. Do. Or do not. There is no try."

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## "HEALTHY" FOODS TO SKIP

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### BOTTLED TEAS

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### HIGH-FIBER BARS

Packed with sugar and faux fibers, don't let the healthy-sounding brand names trick you. Check ingredient labels and choose bars made with minimally-processed ingredients like whole grains, nuts, seeds and dried fruit.

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### GREEK YOGURT

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### PEARS

A medium pear has 100 calories and is an excellent source of hunger-satisfying fiber. Try this waistline-friendly snack, 1 sliced pear with 1 ounce of low-fat cheddar cheese. The combo of fat, protein and fiber help stave off hunger and keep you satisfied longer.



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### SWEET POTATOES

One medium sweet potato has 105 calories, 4 grams of fiber and 2 grams of protein. Sweet potatoes are not only filling, they're also packed with 400 percent of your daily recommended amount of the antioxidant vitamin A. Make a sweet potato mash, add chunks to chili or stews or roast with a touch of cinnamon.



### PEANUT BUTTER

Look for natural peanut butter made from only nuts and salt. It contains a nice amount of both healthy fats and protein. One tablespoon has about 90 to 100 calories, so portion it out carefully. Use one tablespoon as a snack to dip with apples or celery and 2 tablespoons for your PB&J sandwich at lunch.



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# Many tax deductions come with home ownership

— IMPORTANT TIPS FOR HOMEOWNERS —

By Sally Rummel

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While there are many challenges to being a homeowner, when it comes to tax time, you may be able to reap a few financial rewards.

Here are six important tax tips to look for:

**Mortgage interest** — claiming mortgage interest is the largest and most common deduction among taxpayers. There is now a cap of \$1.1 million in mortgage debt that can be deducted for tax purposes. This includes first mortgages, as well as mortgages on second homes.

**Mortgage insurance and taxes** — private mortgage insurance is deductible, but is not to be confused with homeowner's insurance. Local and state property taxes can also be itemized on federal tax returns.

**Going green** — the year 2013 is the last chance to claim up to \$500 in green energy costs, including insulation, energy efficient windows and doors, high efficiency air conditioners and heaters. A separate and more substantial credit is available for 30 percent of the cost of solar energy installation.

**Cancellation of mortgage debt** — while foreclosures aren't as common

as they were a few years ago, debt forgiveness is still very common. If you fail to report it, it could result in a big change to your overall tax liability and hefty penalties from the IRS.

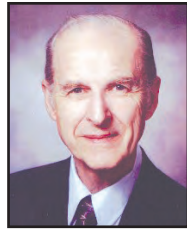
**Selling your home** — costs including title insurance, advertising and real estate broker fees can also be claimed on your taxes. You can also claim certain repairs to reduce capital gains on the sale, if they were made within 90 days of the sale for the intent of marketing the property. If you had to find a new home because of a new job located more than 50 miles away from your old home, you may be able to deduct reasonable moving expenses, too.

**Casualty losses** — if you have an out-of-pocket loss more than 10 percent of your income, you can claim that loss on your income taxes. However, you won't get a deduction for losses that were covered by your insurer that you were compensated for. Since some people don't update their insurance coverage and there are some exclusions, it's possible to claim losses even with coverage. The most important aspect of this is documentation, so be sure to have a picture of valuable property, even if it's just with your smartphone.

Source: Detroit Free Press

## Featured columnist

By Roger Campbell



### Things may turn out better than you think

The woman in the hospital bed seemed to be near the end of her life. She had suffered a severe stroke and was in a deep coma. I prayed for her, but with little faith. Everything seemed to be so settled and final.

One week later, however, she came out of the coma and was soon back at her farm. Visitors there found her as positive and thankful for daily blessings as before her illness. God had granted her more years to serve Him and she was not surprised.

"I have but one year to live," said a tearful woman who had just received a terminal diagnosis from her doctor.

"I may not have that long," I replied, stressing the uncertainty of life's duration for all.

In caring for the details related to her expected upcoming death, this troubled woman decided to spend some time with her brother. Upon returning from her visit with her healthy brother, she had to fly back to attend his funeral.

A heartbroken teen told me how she dreaded the coming months. Her grandmother had just been given a diagnosis by her doctor that predicted pain, suf-

fering and death.

But the months that followed weren't terrible at all. The suffering for this grandmother never arrived. Instead, the prayers of her family and church were answered. Grandma had been in her mid-80s when this disturbing diagnosis had been made and in her mid-90s she received a proposal for marriage.

A missionary friend of mine entered the hospital for surgery. The doctors found him to be so full of cancer that surgery would do him no good. He was told he had about six months to live. In view of their expected short time left together, this servant of God and his wife settled on a Bible verse to be an anchor for their faith through this storm: Philippians 1:20: 'So now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death.'

When my friend related this experience to me, it was 14 years after he had been sent home to die. And at our last contact, he was headed for another mission field to serve his Lord.

Murphy's law (whatever can go wrong will) is not Divine so no matter how bad things look today, expect the best tomorrow. Doubt your doubts. Believe your beliefs. Faith makes the difference.

The 19th century minister, C.H. Spurgeon, observed: 'A little faith will bring your soul to heaven, but great faith will bring heaven to your soul.'

Take heart. Things may turn out better than you think. 'For with God nothing shall be impossible' (Luke 1:37).

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

Compiled by Tim Jagielo, associate editor

## What is your least favorite cleaning project?

## streettalk



"Cleaning my bathtub. There's just nothing easy about it no matter what I try."

— Stacy Walsh Fenton



"Windows. It's a big job."

— Linda Holda Fenton



"Spring cleaning — getting behind things, something that gets dusty that you have to clean."

— Sue Curle Fenton



"Cleaning up after animals. I don't like having pet hair all over the place."

— Jason VanDerwerken Goodrich



"I love cleaning. I just like to see the results."

— Shannon Murray Gaines Township



"Laundry. It takes a lot of time, it's tedious and boring."

— Dustan Eichler Tyrone Township



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PUBLIC NOTICE

TO THE TAXPAYERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF  
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

2014 BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board of Review of the Charter Township of Fenton will meet at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan at the dates and times listed below.

Monday March 10, 2014  
Tuesday March 11, 2014  
Wednesday March 12, 2014  
Thursday March 13, 2014

9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.\*  
5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.\*  
3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

[\* The Monday Board of Review session will be recessed for 1-hour meal breaks at approximately 12:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. The Wednesday session will be recessed for a 1-hour meal break at approximately 5:00 p.m.]

At these sessions the Board of Review will hear any appeals or objections and review potential corrections to the assessment roll.

Property owners may file their appeals in writing, provided they are received by the Board of Review no later than March 13, 2014.

Property owners wishing to appeal in person may do so on a first-come-first-served basis on the dates and times indicated above. **APPOINTMENTS WILL NOT BE SCHEDULED.**

TENTATIVE EQUALIZATION MULTIPLIERS

Property Class	Ratio	Factor
Commercial	50.03	0.9994
Industrial	49.06	1.0191
Residential	46.86	1.0670

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HOUSE PLAN OF THE WEEK



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Living Area	2241 sq. ft.
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Dimensions	58' x 49'

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PLAN 30-251

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Fenton will hold a public hearing on the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) Grant Application Proposal for the development of a public recreational park. This hearing will be held during the regular Fenton Township Board meeting on Monday March 17, 2014, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430 for the purpose of accepting comments on the proposed recreational park.

**All interested citizens are encouraged to attend this public hearing.**

Comments may also be submitted in writing to:

**Fenton Township Clerk  
12060 Mantawauka Drive  
Fenton, MI 48430**

The deadline for receipt of written comments is 5:00 p.m. Monday March 17, 2014.

**ROBERT E. KRUG  
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK**

## TYRONE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS HELD MARCH 4, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M.

1. Present: Supervisor Mike Cunningham, Treasurer Marna Bunting-Smith, Clerk Keith Kremer, Trustees Soren Pedersen, Chuck Schultz, Cam Gonzalez and David Walker.
2. Opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the proposed 2014-2015 fiscal year budget, all funds. Reopened the regular meeting at 7:24 p.m.
3. Approved the agenda as presented; approved the consent agenda as presented.
4. Received and placed on file Communications #1-4.
5. Authorized the release of partial grant money to Restorative Lake Sciences to begin the Lake Tyrone project for invasive species and muck remediation.
6. Adopted Resolution #140301 to adopt the 2014-2015 fiscal year budget.
7. Adopted Resolution #140302 Headlee Operating Tax Millage Rate.
8. Adopted Resolution #140303 establishing 2014-2015 meeting dates.
9. Adopted Resolution #140304 to establish the Supervisor's salary at \$30,680.
10. Adopted Resolution #140305 to establish the Clerk's salary at \$30,680.
11. Adopted Resolution #140306 to establish the Treasurer's salary at \$30,680.
12. Adopted Resolution #140307 to establish the Trustee's salary at \$145 per meeting.
13. Authorized the renewal of the liability insurance policy.
14. Authorized the Zoning Administrator to follow the violation process before turning the Germany Road violation over to legal counsel.
15. Authorized the Treasurer to attend an MTA workshop and a Certified Public Funds Investment Manager certification class.
16. Adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

The minutes of all regular and special Tyrone Township Board Meetings are on file and may be reviewed at the Tyrone Township Clerk's office, 10408 Center Road, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and online at [www.tyronetownship.us](http://www.tyronetownship.us). The next regular meeting of the Tyrone Township Board will be held on Tuesday, March 25, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Tyrone Township Hall. The public is encouraged to attend.



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

SUPER CROSSWORD ANSWERS

WHOM CHIEF SPASMS ABLE  
EURASIAN YELL LAT RAIMI  
THREES TIMES LADY TROIS  
GILEAD FIVE SEVENTHINGS  
ONE SUMMER NIGHT BRAZEN  
FAST CAR GALLOOT LEST  
KNITS MOONROOF  
SHIHASYET FOUR WALLS  
CANER PEONS SAN III  
AND NOW FORMY NEXT NUMBER  
ROE NEO SCORE PAYNE  
SIX FLOCK WINE PASS  
FOLLOW ME EASY  
GUAM SNAP TO PENSETS  
ENNEAD EIGHT DAYS A WEEK  
NAG DOJ TEN LILLY  
TWO OF HEARTS ANONYM  
LARUE FIVE MINUTES MORE  
ERASE FRERES LISTENER  
RESTS SERIES SST ROAR

KING CROSSWORD ANSWERS

Solution time: 21 mins.  
D R A B C U B C H O P  
E U R O N A H A D A  
A B E L S U R V I V O R  
D E S E R T S E V E R E  
Y O U R T E N  
S U R N A M E S S O R T  
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S U R P R I S E N E O N  
A L E E F O R E V I L  
F L E E E N S D E N Y

WEDNESDAY SUDOKU ANSWERS

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

SUNDAY SUDOKU ANSWERS

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

WEDNESDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles: VYING DEMON RATIFY TREATY  
Answer: That spoiled kid would rather cry and get it than—TRY AND GET IT

SUNDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles: ELEGY PANIC BOUNCE FABRIC  
Answer: Another name for all that baggage that goes into the vehicle—"CAR-GO"

A Look back at the TOP 10 SONGS

- Week of March 7, 1970  
As determined by Billboard
1. Bridge Over Troubled Waters - Simon & Garfunkle
  2. Travellin' Band/Who'll Stop The Rain - CCR
  3. Thank You - Sly & the Family Stone
  4. Rainy Night In Georgia - Brook Benton
  5. Hey There Lonely Girl - Eddie Holman
  6. Ma Belle Amie - Tee-Set
  7. The Rapper - Jaggerz
  8. Give Me Just A Little More Time - Chairmen of the Board
  9. Raindrops Keep Fallin' On My Head - B.J. Thomas
  10. He Ain't Heavy, He's My Brother - The Hollies

BY TRIBUNE MEDIA

SundaySudoku

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

ANSWER KEY LOCATED IN THIS EDITION

KING FEATURES

SuperCrossword

ACROSS

- 1 Pronoun in many letter greetings
- 5 Psi preceder
- 8 Involuntary twitches
- 14 Differently — (having other skills)
- 19 Of Earth's largest landmass
- 21 Berate loudly
- 22 "Spider-Man 3" director
- 23 1978 hit for the Commo-dores
- 25 Un, deux, —
- 26 Ambush
- 27 2008 hit for Miley Cyrus
- 29 Added lubricant to
- 32 Golfer's peg
- 34 Water, in Toulouse
- 35 Angriiness
- 36 1961 hit for the Diamonds
- 43 Audacious
- 45 Indy vehicle
- 46 Clumsy sort
- 48 "— there be any doubt ..."
- 49 Makes a sweater, e.g.
- 52 Sliding-glass auto option
- 55 — Tzu
- 59 Thus far
- 61 1957 hit for Jim Reeves
- 65 Certain chairmaker
- 67 Lowly laborers
- 70 — José
- 71 VI halved
- 72 Statement before singing each hit featured in this puzzle?
- 78 — v. Wade
- 79 Prefix with con
- 80 Get a goal
- 81 "Max —"
- 82 1967 hit for the Lovin' Spoonful
- 86 Drank sherry, e.g.
- 89 Football throw
- 90 "C'mon, this way"
- 93 Very cushy course
- 95 U.S. island territory
- 98 Pay attention suddenly
- 100 Gifts for calligraphers
- 105 Nine-item group

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- 1 Showery
- 2 "What?"
- 3 Hockey player Bobby
- 4 "Diamond Lil" playwright
- 5 Large village
- 6 "— Caesar!"
- 7 Lifer, e.g.
- 8 Part of DOS: Abbr.
- 9 Poddled vegetables
- 10 Everyone, in Essen
- 11 Czech, Pole, or Serb
- 12 Concocted
- 13 Jule of songwriting
- 14 Tennis great
- 15 Port of Italy
- 16 Hero-worship
- 17 Defectors
- 18 Have a minority view
- 20 Eider, e.g.
- 24 Observant individual
- 28 Indent key
- 29 "Ouch!" kin
- 30 — fog (lost)
- 31 The, to René
- 33 U.S. lang.
- 37 "Give that — cigar!"
- 38 Some hosp. scans
- 39 "How dry —"
- 40 Mop & —
- 41 Horse's foot
- 42 Up — good
- 44 Sporty Italian auto, briefly
- 47 Have faith in
- 50 Bit of errata
- 51 Foreteller
- 53 Port of Algeria
- 54 Admit (to)
- 55 Lasting blemishes
- 56 Capital of Vietnam

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## Dining out still possible even if you're on a diet

Dining out at a restaurant is a treat for many people, while for others it's a way of life. On-the-go professionals often find that dining out is simply more convenient than cooking at home. However, large portion sizes and dishes that tend to contain a lot of sodium and fat can make dining out less healthy than eating at home, which is a concern for those men and women who want to shed a few pounds.

But dining out does not have to be done at the expense of your waistline. The following are a few ways dieters can still enjoy their favorite restaurants without having to worry about their weight.

- **Order foods that are broiled, boiled or roasted.** Foods that are broiled, boiled or roasted tend to be healthier than foods cooked in other ways. When ordering your meal, ask that oils be used sparingly if not removed completely. When foods look somewhat greasy, dab them with a napkin in the same manner you might dab the grease from a slice of pizza.

- **Don't fill up before** your meal arrives. Once you have been seated, skip the unending bread basket, forgoing this free appetizer altogether or asking for raw vegetables instead. When fellow diners order potentially fattening appetizers, ask

to have a side salad with low-fat dressing on the side instead.

- **Skip the dips and dressings.** Many condiments can add unwanted calories to a meal, making even a healthy entree a calorie-laden meal that's best avoided. For example, a salad covered in creamy Caesar salad dressing can take away from the overall nutritive value of the salad. Don't be afraid to ask for substitutions or simply ask to have dressings put on the side so if you must indulge you can do so without going overboard.

- **Eat in the hours** leading up to your dinner. Low-fat snacks eaten throughout

the day will reduce the likelihood that you will overeat at the dinner table. Drink a tall glass of water and enjoy some low-calorie fruit so you won't be famished once you arrive at the restaurant.

- **Avoid buffet-style restaurants.** Many people cannot help but overeat at buffet-style restaurants, where the size of a typical spread can make it hard for dieters to stay disciplined. If you must eat at a buffet-style restaurant, choose healthy fare like salad and steamed vegetables.

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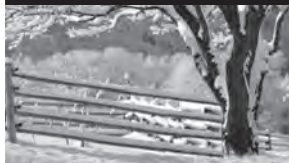
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## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

At their meeting of March 3, 2014 the Fenton Township Board conducted the first reading of a proposed amendment to Wild, Dangerous and Vicious Animals Ordinance No. 655 to revise language relating to enforcement. The second reading of the proposed ordinance amendment will be conducted at the March 17, 2014 Fenton Township Board meeting.

A complete copy of the proposed ordinance may be obtained at the office of the Fenton Township Clerk, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430. The proposed ordinance is also available on Fenton Township's website at [www.fentontownship.org](http://www.fentontownship.org).

**ROBERT E. KRUG**  
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

## PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS MARCH 3, 2014

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday March 3, 2014 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

1. Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
2. Approved the agenda as presented.
3. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$136,212.45.
4. Conducted the first reading of a proposed amendment to Ordinance No. 655, (Wild, Dangerous and Vicious Animals), to revise language regarding enforcement.
5. Adopted a proclamation designating May 1, 2014 as Law Day.
6. Adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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

**ROBERT E. KRUG**  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY MARCH 25, 2014 AT 7:00 PM BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AT 12060 MANTAWAUKA. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

### NEW BUSINESS:

**ZBA14-004: Curtis Ullstrom, 4219 W. Four Lakes Fenton:**

Requesting a sight line variance to build an addition. Property is located at 4219 W. Four Lakes. Parcel 06-51-527-013

**ZBA14-005: Peggy Ann VanBrocklin Trust 13250 Lakeside Landing & William W. Munro Trust 13254 Lakeside Landing Fenton:**

Requesting required frontage on a lake and side lot line variances to make a boundary line adjustment. Properties are located at the above addresses. Parcels 06-13-501-004 & 06-13-501-005

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

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Simple Crab Rangoon

Prep Time:  
10 mins


Cook Time:  
15 mins

Serves:  
12

 **INGREDIENTS**

Recipe from  
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- 1 (6 oz.) can of crab meat
- 4 oz. of cream cheese
- 2 T. of mayo
- 1/2 t. of Hot Chili Sauce
- 2 t. of chives
- Salt & pepper
- 12 wonton wrappers

 **DIRECTIONS**

1. Pre-heat the oven to 350 degrees
2. Spray a muffin pan with non-stick spray and place one wonton in each space
3. In a bowl, mix together the crab meat, cream cheese, mayo, chili sauce, chives, salt and pepper
4. Fill each wonton with a spoonful of the crab mixture
5. Bake for 15 minutes or until the corners of wonton are slightly browned
6. Serve with Sweet and Sour Sauce and/or any of your other favorite seasonings!



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**To your good health**

**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** I hope you can help me with a problem that might get me kicked off the first string. I get cramps in my legs, mostly in the calves. At first, it was laughable. Now it's not. At practices, I can sit down and wait for the cramp to go. During a game, I have to be replaced. How do I stop them? — B.L.

**ANSWER:** I have to tell readers that what I say applies to exercise-associated muscle cramps and not to the cramps that so many older people get when in bed. They're both the same phenomenon, an involuntary, sustained and painful contraction of a muscle or muscles. But they're not the same when it comes to the situation that brings them on. The actual cause is a matter that experts have debated for years. A lack of potassium, calcium or magnesium, excessive exercise, cold weather, hot weather and dehydration have been cited as possible causes. None has been proven to be the universal cause. Muscle fatigue is another possibility. Some experts say that muscle fatigue affects the muscles' response to spinal cord signals that prevent cramping. Suggestions to forestall cramps are many. Hydration is a reasonable approach. An hour before a game or an exercise session, drink a quart of water. That gives enough time for the water to be absorbed. During play, keep drinking. If you are drinking a lot of fluid, switch to a sports drink to prevent a drop in potassium and sodium. Stretch your calf muscles in three daily sessions. Rising on the toes is a good calf stretch. You can try taking a vitamin supplement that contains most of the B vitamins. Make sure vitamin B-6 is included. To uncramp a muscle, sit on the floor with the involved leg stretched out in front of you. Grab the ball of the foot, and, while keeping the heel on the floor, pull the foot toward you and hold it in that position until the cramp eases. Pinching the skin between the nose and the lip is another way to break a cramp.



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Amy Dickinson

## Dad demands monthly break from family

**DEAR AMY:** My wife and I have an ongoing dispute that threatens our family, which includes two young children, ages 2 and 5. I have a desire to visit my guy friends with overnight visits once a month and occasional longer trips with my brothers or guy friends about once every two years, to go skiing, camping, to the beach, etc. This seems to be too much for my wife, who makes a big stink. She feels I should only care about family and never leave her alone to take care of the kids. Do you think I am selfish or unjustified in my request? — Conflicted

**DEAR CONFLICTED:** The answer to your question is 'yes' and 'yes.' A monthly overnight with a biennial trip with the guys for a longer duration (conveniently unspecified) is too much. It might not be too much for some families, but it is too much for yours. I know this because you characterize this as a 'demand' that threatens your family. When you make your demand, this is what your wife hears: 'I don't enjoy being a husband and father. I must escape our family as often as possible.' She is trying to control you because she is afraid you will flee for an overnight and simply keep on running. You and your wife need a night or two together away from the kids to reconnect as a couple and figure out a compromise that sounds less like a demand. You should plan this.

**DEAR AMY:** I recently learned that a guy I was seeing off-and-on for about six months is now steadily dating someone else. It took a while to digest that, but I always knew it was a possibility, so I'm not too bothered by it. However, last time I saw him I left him my junker bicycle with the understanding that he would sell it for cash, but he has instead given it to his new girlfriend. The bicycle held a lot of memories for me about our relationship, and while I don't begrudge his new girlfriend, I can't help but feel a bit devastated he gave the bike to her. I know he didn't mean anything bad by it, but how do I come to terms with this situation? — Adjusting

**DEAR ADJUSTING:** In your life, you will lose objects — and you will also lose people. The bicycle provides you with the perfect opportunity to learn detachment, which is an extremely powerful lesson. Close your eyes. Visualize your clunker bike as a metaphor, carrying all of your powerful attachments. In your mind, picture your bike wobbling down the street with a variety of people riding it (your former boyfriend, his girlfriend, your dear departed grandmother and Richard Nixon). Letting this go will help to liberate you.

## SundayJumble

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

GEELY

ACNIP

UNBOCE

CAFRIB

Print answer here: "□□□□ - □□□□"

Answer key located in this edition

iPhone  
tip of the week



## Dial phone number with extension

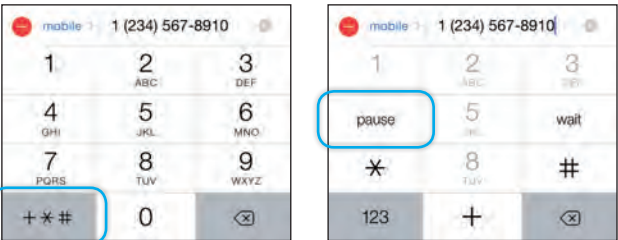
Every iPhone user should know how to save a phone number in Contacts. But how about a phone number with an extension number?

Let's say, your friend's office phone number is 1(234)567-8910 with the extension number 7890. To dial number with extension, you can first key in 1(234)567-8910. Then press and hold the \* button for a couple of second. The dial pad will show you a " , ". Next you key in the extension 7890 and make the call.

When you call up your friend, iPhone dials the main number, pauses for a while and then it dials the extension automatically.

## Save phone number with extension

When entering a phone number with the numeric keypad, there is a +\*# button. After tapping on the button, it'll display a "Pause" button on keypad. This is a very handy button for saving phone extension for a contact.



The tip is provided by Handbook for iPhone Lite.

## NEW DVD RELEASES

DVDs and movies released this week



**12 YEARS A SLAVE**  
Chiwetel Ejiofor stars as Solomon Northup, the New York State citizen who was kidnapped and made to work on a plantation in New Orleans in the 1800s. Steve McQueen (Hunger) directs from a script he co-wrote with John Ridley, based in part by Northup's memoir. Michael Fassbender, Brad Pitt, Benedict Cumberbatch, Sarah Paulson, and Paul Giamatti co-star. R, 2 hr. 14 min.



**HOURS**  
Before sunrise on August 29, 2005, Nolan Hayes (Paul Walker) arrives at a New Orleans hospital with his pregnant wife, Abigail (Genesis Rodriguez), who has gone into early labor. What should be one of the happiest days of Nolan's life quickly spirals out of control when the birth goes tragically wrong and Hurricane Katrina ravages the hospital, forcing an evacuation. Told to stay with his child, who is on a ventilator, and await transfer by ambulance, Nolan and his newborn are soon cut off from the world by power outages and rising floodwaters. When no one returns to help, Nolan faces one life-and-death decision after another, fighting to keep his daughter alive, as minute-by-agonizing minute passes...becoming unimaginable hours. PG-13, 1 hr. 37 min.

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### THIS WEEK'S OPEN HOUSE!



#### FENTON

11248 Ridgeview Trail

**Traditional New England Colonial** in Hills of Tyrone! Crown Molding & HW Floors. Beautiful wooded lot. Huge gathering kitchen w/HW floors. Living Room, Family Room. Dining room is currently used as a study. 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms. Master Bedroom Suite w/private bathroom, soaking tub, separate showers & his/her closets. Freshly painted & nicely maintained. Side Entry 2 car garage. Daylight Basement with high ceilings ready for finishing. Move in & Enjoy. Deck too!

**\$325,900**

Call Ann Hernandez-Gabler 248-240-2272



#### OTISVILLE

221 Athletic Street

**Move right in and enjoy!** Full slate of updates in the last 4 years including roof plus boards, gutters, flooring, molding & paint throughout...hot water heater & exterior door. Furnace in 2005. Enjoy quiet living in the quaint village of Otisville (Lakeville Schools) w/walking distance to everything! Grocery store, drug store, downtown area, Griswold Park, w/sidewalks to get there, you can stroll around town on the first warm spring day. Bonus perennials when the snow melts!

**\$59,900**

Call Kevin Usealman 810-965-6552



#### FENTON

616 Heritage Circle

**Well maintained Heritage Pond Sub.**

2 story colonial with attractive floor plan.

Living room with fireplace, gourmet kitchen, 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. Large master suite, cathedral ceilings.

This home has lake privileges to the Fenton Mill Pond and is within walking distance to charming downtown.

**\$144,900**

Call Patrik Welty 810-750-2300



#### FENTON

882 Whisperwood Trail

**Hard to find Whisperwood**

**Ranch condo** with wooded view! End unit offering lots of natural lighting via windows, doorwall and skylight. Cathedral foyer.

Open floor plan with gas fireplace in living room. New finished lower level with dry oak kitchenette and family room.

New furnace, water softener, reverse osmosis.

**\$89,900**

Call Ann Hernandez-Gabler 248-240-2272



#### ROSE TOWNSHIP

1195 Baker Road

**Secluded setting**

on almost 10 beautiful, rolling, treed acres can be your "Up North" paradise! Beautifully maintained 4 bedroom home with panoramic views of the pond and woods. Updated kitchen and bath and freshly painted throughout. Located just minutes from downtown Fenton.

**\$249,900**

Call Sheila Rhoades 810-348-7357



#### ROSE TOWNSHIP

18449 Pellet Court

**Lakefront Walkout Lower Level Ranch** home on beautiful Taylor Lake.

This home has been completely redone. Gorgeous Oak & Granite Kitchen, Living Room & LL Walkout Family Room feature Gas fireplaces. 3 Bedrooms and 2.5 baths. Fabulous 4 Seasons Room.

Two car garage plus 2 storage sheds.

**\$214,850**

Call Ann Hernandez-Gabler 248-240-2272



#### CLIO

13234 N. Clio Road

**Pride of ownership** evident in this family home not sold in decades! Huge 3 car garage with extra door and additional usable attic space. Updates include new roof and furnace. Private, fenced in back yard. Great location - walking distance to Clio City Park and downtown. Great starter home or potential rental. Don't wait!

**\$62,900**

Call Kevin Usealman 810-965-6552



#### OWOSSO

990 Corunna Avenue

**Fantastic 3 Bedroom home.**

Newly renovated with drywall, interior and exterior painting, doors and floor covering. Convenient first floor laundry, deck overlooking the back yard.

This home shows like new.

Don't miss this great buy in Owosso schools.

**\$34,900**

Call Sue Fleming 989-627-0481



#### FLINT

2645 Bertha Avenue

**Great value on this 4 bedroom,** 3 bathroom family home! Hardwood floors throughout, cedar closet, low maintenance brick exterior. Newer roof and hot water heater. 2 car garage plus carport. Nice-sized backyard for a city lot. Home is in top condition! Subject to short sale approval.

**\$14,900**

Call Kevin Usealman 810-965-6552



#### HOLLY

447 Bluewater Drive,  
**Cozy Lakefront home.**

Beautiful water views from every window. Everything has been updated since 2005 including kitchen, hardwood floors, paint, siding, septic, furnace, new addition & roof. Enjoy sunrise views over Buckhorn Lake on your stamped concrete patio. Home is lovingly maintained.

**\$175,000**

Call Ann Hernandez-Gabler 248-240-2272



#### FLUSHING

833 E. Main Street

**Star appliances kitchen** with butler's pantry, island, double oven w/pot filler, granite countertops, cherry cabinets, slider (w/heated floor in front of slider) to deck. Oversized master BR w/hardwood floors, tiled bath/shower. Deck off master bedroom. 2nd floor guest bath has heated floors & jetted tub. Four seasons room w/heated floor.

**\$174,900**

Call Patrik Welty 810-750-2300



#### FRANKENMUTH

5 Wilshire Drive

**Great 2 bed 2 bath condo** in Michigan's Little Bavaria! Featuring new bathrooms, carpet and attached garage. Just a quick walk from the historic shops, cafes and pubs of downtown Frankenmuth! Upstairs balcony with breathtaking view of St. Lorenz Church. In the award-winning Frankenmuth School District. Don't wait.

**\$88,900**

Call Kevin Usealman 810-965-6552



#### OWOSSO

528 Garfield Avenue

**Great house for the price!**

Quiet street, but close to shopping. 2 Bedrooms 1 Bath, possible third bedroom upstairs. Nice yard. Owosso schools.

**\$24,900**

Call Sue Fleming 989-627-0481



#### MUNDY TOWNSHIP

7427 Lawrence

**Great opportunity** for the experienced investor.

This 3 bedroom home is located in a great neighborhood in Grand Blanc schools. Beautiful 1/2 acre lot. Home needs a lot of TLC.

**\$26,000**

Call Patrik Welty 810-750-2300



#### FENTON

508 N. Lemen Street

**You must visit this home** to see the commitment to quality workmanship that the owner has put into the refurbishing of this home. Everything remodeled from the floor to the windows & everything in between. Hardwood floors in the living room & the 3 bedrooms, 3 season room, 1414 sq. ft., full basement has 9' ceiling which could add more living area when finished, 2 car garage & corner lot. New high efficiency furnace & double pane windows are some of the features.

**\$134,900**

Call Cam Gonzalez 810-348-4076



#### BURNS TOWNSHIP

12590 Julmar Drive

**Incredible views** from the deck of this exceptionally well maintained 3 bedroom home, 2.5 baths & 1614 sq. ft. This property backs to 40+ acre wildlife preserve & features a gorgeous view of nature's finest. Numerous improvements recently made including: Windows, Roof, Bamboo Hardwood Floors, Carpet, Cedar deck, Landscaping & more. Other features include Central air, RV parking with 240V hookup, 2-car garage & storage shed. Walkout basement contains finished bonus room. Located 10min from I-69, 15min from US-23 & 20min from M-59.

**\$159,900**

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