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“The state of this year's fruit is still unknown? How can that be? I just saw Ted Cruz on TV. He appears to be alive and well.”

“Most of the litter on the freeway is blowing out of the beds of pickups and garbage haulers, or blowing in from household garbage cans or landfills.”

“Do any women out there get tired of seeing young women with older men in advertising ads, etc.? What about older women with younger men? Now that would be a change.”

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Abnormal weather wreaks more havoc



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Jeff Fisher looks up at the remainder of the tree that split in half, hitting his Linden home on Saturday. He's waiting to get an answer from his insurance company before removing the 100-foot tree. When he heard the impact, Fisher said "I looked out and said, 'my God, what happened?'"

► Strong winds ravage area Saturday, followed by blanket of snow Monday night

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Sudden rain, hail and lightning struck Michigan Saturday evening, leaving thousands without power. Winds reached up to 60 miles per hour, uprooting trees, ripping shingles off roofs and downing power lines. By Monday night, temperatures plunged and snow fell. The Flint area received about an inch of snow and the Detroit area received about 3 inches, according to the National Weather Service.

By today, power has been restored to most residents who experienced a power outage over the weekend. Consumers Energy reports 2,900 Genesee County customers experienced a power outage,

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Summary

► Tri-county area residents experienced a wide range of weather the past four days, with everything from hail and strong winds to snow and freezing temperatures.

A year as city manager

► Paul Zelenak reflects on first year in Linden

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Linden — City Manager Paul Zelenak has been on the job for a year and he likes what he's experienced so far. As winter transcends into spring, Zelenak is finishing the budget for the city's upcoming fiscal year as well as helping



Paul Zelenak

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Fenton's five-year plan spells doom and gloom

► Healthcare costs, decreased revenue could mean higher taxes

By Tim Jagielo

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Fenton — Monday's special meeting for the five-year plan was sobering for the Fenton City Council. Revenues are expected to fall, and there aren't enough cuts to be made in city

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Councilman Brad Jacob (center) discusses budget options with consultant Scott Stauder at the special meeting on Monday. Asking voters to restore the 13 mil cap is a possibility.

Confused about Social Security?

► Research your specific situation and contact a professional retirement planner for best advice

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Maximizing your Social Security benefits can be a tricky business, especially when your own circumstances of life get in the way of a "cookie cutter" answer.

One misstep can result in the loss of thousands of dollars in benefits, so it's important that you strategize well in advance. You may want to consider using a

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► The key to maximizing your family's Social Security income is to wait until your normal retirement age, currently 66 for anyone born between 1943 and 1954, before you begin to collect benefits.

SOME QUICK FACTS:

(Social Security Administration)

- A total of 41.4 percent take the benefits as soon as they're eligible at age 62.
- Half of Americans 65 and older rely on Social Security for at least 50 percent of their family income.
- A total of 23 percent rely on Social Security for 90 percent or more of their family income.
- The average monthly Social Security benefit is \$1,294.





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Police & Fire report

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On April 12, three Fenton patrol cars were sent to a retail store in the 3700 block of Owen Road to investigate a retail fraud in progress. An employee told police that three black males exited the store with a large amount of store merchandise (\$2,500) that they had not paid for, including two 32-inch TVs. They left in a black Chevy Blazer. As one Fenton police officer was en route, he spotted a black Blazer entering northbound U.S. 23. He caught up with the vehicle and conducted a traffic stop when he saw two TVs in the back. The suspects, all from Flint, were two 20-year-olds and one 35-year-old. The suspects were lodged overnight at the city jail and then transported to the county jail. All three were arrested for first-degree retail fraud and one was arrested for possession of marijuana. One had an outstanding warrant out of Kent County for retail fraud and he was turned over to them.

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For the best health, eat meat – in moderation

► Weather responsible for wild fluctuation in beef and pork meat prices

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At \$5.28 per pound, beef prices haven't been this high since 1987. After a few years of devastating droughts, cattle farmers are still working to increase their herds. Pork isn't faring much better either, as a swine virus is culling pig herds and causing prices to increase.

The strain on the beef and pork supply has caused a spike in other meats like chicken and the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) doesn't foresee prices coming down anytime soon.

Throw in numerous claims that red meat can be just as harmful as smoking and the popularity of vegetarian and vegan diets, and one may hear arguments that meat isn't essential for survival. While foregoing meat completely is possible, it doesn't necessarily mean you'll be a healthier person overall.

"We really need those nutrients from animals for detoxification and muscle growth," said Marjie Andrejciw, nutrition consultant and owner of Marjie's Gluten Free Pantry. "Vegans and vegetarians will have issues while they're detoxing. There are certain nutrients in meat we cannot supplement with."

A recent study by the Medical University of Graz, Austria concluded that while vegetarians overall have less body fat and are generally more



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On Tuesday, Jared Hawk of Linden's Alpine Marketplace cuts chuck roast into 2-inch sections using a band saw, and then trimming with a knife. (Right) Kevin Oginsky places chicken into the coolers. Chicken is more popular in the winter, red meat in the summer.

active than carnivores, having a meatless diet can increase your chances of developing certain cancers, allergies and even mental illnesses. The study has sparked numerous "meat eaters healthier than vegetarian" headlines from news outlets.

While meat does have numerous benefits (Medical Daily states most meats have vitamin A, B, and D, zinc, copper and protein), eating too much of it too frequently can seriously hamper your health. Researchers at Wageningen University in

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Irina Gorlak walks past the dozens of laptops piled up to be used for parts and eventually recycled.

What to do with your old, outdated electronic devices

► Recycling old tech most earth-friendly e-waste option

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Fenton — While Fenton Computers technician Irina Gorlak sits at the work bench, the computers are piling up behind her. Old PC desktop computers, eight of them, line the wall and two dozen laptops are stacked on the shelves.

These machines are destined to be recycled, but first, they'll be picked over as needed for repairs. Manager Chris Humphrey said, "A lot of people don't want to throw it away, but they don't know what to do with it."

Hard drives, RAM, screens and even plastic laptop casings are extracted and reused. Unfortunately most of the time, these items are so outdated they cannot be used for repairs.

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Think varicose veins are just a cosmetic issue?

Varicose veins are a sign of vein (venous) disease.

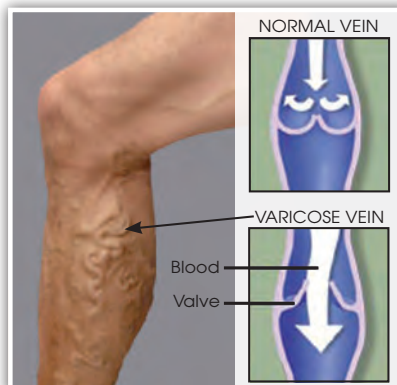
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FROM THE LEFT



Clarence Page

Nationally syndicated
columnist**Could LBJ do as much today?**

Fifty years later, it's hard to imagine the enactment of the Civil Rights Act by today's polarized Congress.

We Americans fight less among ourselves when we face a common enemy or crisis. In the immediate aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, for example, we showed a heartwarming level of national unity and sense of purpose.

Today the bitter partisanship in Washington is so fierce that one almost blinks in disbelief to see former President George W. Bush, a Republican, appearing on the same program with current President Barack Obama and two other Democrats, former Presidents Bill Clinton and Jimmy Carter. But the occasion was a Civil Rights Summit at the LBJ Library to mark the 50th anniversary of the President Lyndon B. Johnson's biggest legislative breakthrough, in my opinion, the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

Almost daily in 1963, we saw images such as Birmingham police dogs sicced on peaceful civil rights protesters, a bombed Birmingham church where four little girls were killed and the assassination of Medgar Evers, a civil rights leader.

After Kennedy's assassination that November, the bill was left to LBJ. As president, he rallied enough support from both parties to enact a stronger civil rights bill than the less-experienced JFK could have achieved.

It is that feat, accomplished with a majority of Republican votes to override the fierce resistance of Southern segregationist Democrats that leads many to ask whether the Civil Rights Act would survive today's Congress.

The strong conservatism that dominated yesterday's Southern Democrats is found more conspicuously in today's Republican Party, partly because of LBJ's achievements.

And compared to today's political landscape, the civil rights divide in LBJ's day was a more clear-cut choice between injustice and equal opportunity. In today's civil rights debates, both sides call for the same principles — 'freedom,' 'equal rights' and 'opportunity' — but have very different definitions of what those words mean.

IF THIS FENTON bond election has anything to do with the implementation of Common Core, I will definitely be voting 'NO.'

WITH ALL OF the overwhelming evidence available, it just amazes me the number of people that still support the worst President in our history. Obama and his corrupt administration have done more to damage the United States in just five short years than FDR, Johnson and Carter combined.

DIBBLEVILLE RESIDENTS, several neighbors including myself are experiencing a severe decrease in water pressure, the problem becomes even worse when running faucets, or the dishwasher. I would love to hear from others that are having similar issues.

OBAMA IS A weak President. Putin knows this, and continues to take over Ukraine. The real danger to America is once Obama decides to act, it will be too late and too much.

BEFORE I VOTE on the bond, could you try to find out more about the number of staff that are sent to IB training each year? I keep hearing the district has to pay for it and that they fly all over the U.S. in order to meet IB requirements.

HAS ANYONE ELSE noticed how much garbage is left to fly around after our garbage collectors have come through?

WOULD THE PERSON who doesn't like the Lansing woman complaining about her Obamacare, please explain which half is a lie.

DO AS I say, not as I do. I can't seem to recall in my history lessons. Did we allow the American Indians to vote for approval to annex their land or did we just take it by force?

DON'T COMPLAIN ABOUT Miguel Cabrera's \$292 million contract until you've tried to hit a 90 MPH fastball. It is the hardest thing to do in any sport. Cabrera and any other athlete puts in more work in one season than you have your entire life.

IF OBAMA WAS truly a dictator as you people claim, you would be shot for complaining so much.

LIBERALS — HAVE YOU taken the time to answer why your president has delayed his healthcare mandates over 30 times, most of which have occurred just before elections? If his plan is so wonderful, why all the delays? The answer is easy if you are honest.

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THE THREE PUNKS — I have you on camera. Give back our neighbor's stuff that you stole out of our cars on Southport Friday morning. Give it back or I'm turning your face into the cops. You looked into my cameras and it followed you down the road.

YOU KNOW WHAT'S good about half the marriages ending in divorce? The rest like my own, will last forever and that's a beautiful thing, Jellybean.

DISABILITY IS THE new welfare. The gist of this change is that states try to move people from welfare to disability because then the federal government foots the bill instead. Look up NPR's article 'Unfit for Work.'

THE TRUTH ABOUT Benghazi has come out. The Ambassador who died made the tragic mistake of refusing additional security weeks prior when it was offered and later paid for that mistake with his life. Republican attempts to politicize the issue for political gain has thankfully failed despite their continued attempts.

HEY DEMOCRAT SHEEP, if Hitler was a Democrat you would be singing his praises and defending him as well.

OBAMA AND ERIC Holder made a pine tree fall in my backyard! Plus they stole my health insurance.

WHEN THE GOVERNMENT expands, it hires more people, normal average Americans, like your next-door neighbor. Do you want your next-door neighbor telling you what to do?

AS THE PRESIDENT of a private school, we had 7 million people signed up to take classes. Problem is everyone has signed up, but nobody paid. How do I run the school? Kind of sounds like Obamacare. Bill Engvall is right, 'You can't fix stupid.'

WHAT DO SANTA Claus, the Easter Bunny and the Tooth Fairy have in common with Obama's involvement in the Fast and Furious ATF scandal, the attack in Benghazi and the IRS targeting of certain political groups? All of them are figments of a wondrous child-like imagination.

THE EARTH IS more than 4 billion years old, all species that inhabit the planet including humans evolved over time and our out-of-control CO2 emissions are accelerating the change in our climate. These aren't controversial opinions. It's not 1914. These are scientific facts. It's 2014. Get with it!

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FROM THE RIGHT

Cal Thomas

Nationally syndicated
columnist**The ABCs of School of Choice**

When people speak of a legacy, they usually mean something other than what the late economist Milton Friedman and his wife, Rose, left behind, namely the Friedman Foundation for Educational Choice.

The foundation has just released a book entitled 'The ABC's of School Choice: The comprehensive guide to every private school choice program in America.'

The Friedman philosophy can be summed up in two sentences: 'School choice gives parents the freedom to choose their children's education, while encouraging healthy competition among schools to better serve families' needs. School choice lets parents use the public funds set aside for their children's education to choose the schools — public or private, near or far, religious or secular — that work best for them.'

Choice, competition and what works best for them, not what works for unions and school administrators. Choice and competition work in business, politics, but not in the monopolistic public education monstrosity that often robs children of a brighter future.

In a column written for The Wall Street Journal, Dr. Friedman said, 'Private schools demonstrate the inefficiency of government schools by providing a superior education at less than half the per pupil cost.'

Dr. Friedman noted that modern public education remains based on a 19th-century model with children from different backgrounds brought together into a single melting pot. That doesn't work in the 21st century. Only a truly competitive educational industry can empower the ultimate consumers of educational services — parents and their children. The only counter arguments to this are based on everything besides what benefits the children.

Dr. Friedman maintains that competition would force every school — public and private — to compete for 'customers.' Minority parents have shown strong interest in transferring their children from failing public schools into schools that are safer and the academics stronger.

Parents want choice, students want choice. Only the unions and certain politicians stand in their way.

Compiled by Torrey Christopher, intern

Does 'climate change' affect our recent weather?**streettalk**

"Yes. I think it's obvious because the poles are melting."

— Herb Mueller
Tyrone Township



"I think it does affect it. We got more snow and it was colder."

— Bob Essler
Flint Township



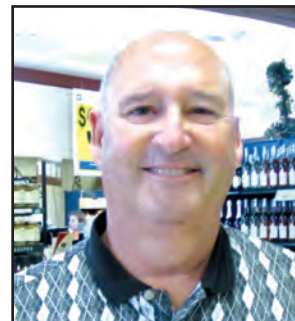
"Yes it has. I learned about it at the Detroit Zoo and they showed how water is decreasing on the globe."

— Jennifer Warner
Holly



"No. It is a cyclical thing if you look over centuries."

Hilda Spencen
Fenton



"Yes, I believe in global warming. I think it has been a long time coming."

— Gui Hazzard
Fenton



No, I don't think it has to do with it. It's cyclical, the weather changes every so many years."

— Judy Dillon
Fenton

Four-year-old gives Disney trip fund to ailing friend

►Wee Care Child Development rallies around fellow student

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Four-year-old Alani Klumpp had her heart set on going to Disney World but once she learned fellow Wee Care Child Development Center student Addison, 3, was undergoing chemo therapy, Alani decided her stockpile of coins should be used to help her friend rather than for a trip. Alani's generosity has inspired other classmates to donate coins, spurring a 'penny war' between each classroom.

"She put everything from pennies to quarters, to nickels and dimes in a big-sized Ziploc bag and gave it to Mr. Josh (Wee Care teacher)," said Alani's mother, Jill Klumpp. Klumpp estimates her daughter donated about \$50 to Addison. "The class helped Alani separate

the coins. She still talks about it."

Wee Care Director Diane Jordan said so far, students have raised almost \$3,000 for Addison's family, surpassing the original goal of \$1,000. Students have been following Alani's example by bringing in pennies, nickels and quarters. The class who racks up the most points will receive a pizza party and all of the proceeds will be donated to Addison's family.

"We're very proud of Alani. She hasn't made a big splash about the donation," Jordan said.

For more information about the ongoing penny wars, contact Wee Care at (810) 735-9595 or visit them at weecarechild-development.org.



Alani Klumpp

Getting kids excited about gardening

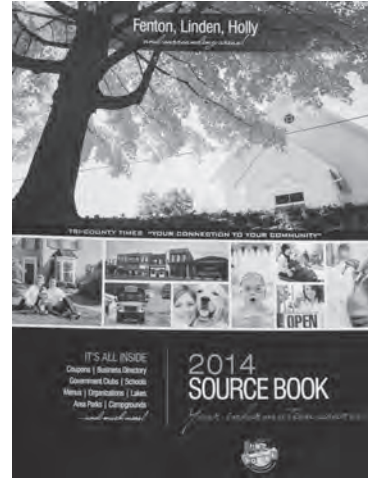
►Beans, peas, sunflower seeds, and bell pepper seeds are easy to start

Many adults understand the joy of gardening, but gardening can be equally fun for children. While some adults may feel that certain children do not have the patience or perseverance to see plants grow from seeds to adulthood, selecting plants that are hardy and sprout quickly may be the key to igniting a love of gardening in children.

Choosing seeds that sprout quickly can hold the attention of children who are new to gardening. Many different plants fit this bill. Beans, peas, sunflower seeds, and bell pepper seeds are easy to start and germinate quickly. In addition, many leafy vegetables, such as chard, lettuce, spinach, and mustard, germinate in three to five days. Herbs, such as basil and parsley, also sprout fast. All of these

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Pride and gratitude for Fenton Lions



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Fenton Lions members (from left) Dave Dipka, Dave Windsor, Dick Lynch and Warren Hein stand as Mayor Sue Osborn reads a proclamation, recognizing the Fenton Lions Club for what it does for the community, which includes vision and diabetes screening, among many other things. "It's a great pleasure to be able to work in a town like this," said Dipka. The Fenton Lions Club was established in 1964, and will celebrate at the Fenton Winery in June.

FIVE-YEAR

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services to counteract the loss.

Expenses will grow by 4 percent each year, while revenues are expected only to grow by 1 percent.

City Manager Lynn Markland told council members that the city might need to consider restoring the city's 13 mills, which is currently at 10 mills.

For a home with a true cash value of \$100,000, the resident would pay \$50 per mil. A home with a true cash value of \$150,000 would cost \$75 per mil.

By a vote from the community, the city could ask the voters to override the Headlee Amendment, or ask for a special millage

The Headlee Amendment slows and caps property taxes even as property values rise. The loss of property tax income is the main reason for municipal budget woes. Should the city put it to voters, and voters approve a "Headlee override," the city will receive \$750,000 back into the general fund, effectively closing future deficits, and preserving the fund balance.

Markland said that Headlee override would raise the cap on the allowable millage back to the original level in the City Charter, 13 mills.

By 2018, the city's healthy \$1.9 million fund balance will be whittled down to below the minimum, to \$300,000, and instead of a small surplus, the city will have a \$500,000 deficit in its general fund.

"I'm not sure where the cuts would come from in the next few years."

Lynn Markland
Fenton city manager

The general fund covers city hall operations, public safety and many administrative necessities. The budget plan had kept vehicle upgrades and current healthcare benefits in place.

While the 2014-15 fiscal budget will be narrowly balanced with a \$300 surplus, subsequent years will need to be covered with fund balance, the city's rainy-day fund. This is an approach the village of Holly used previously, which eventually forced them to lay off police and close its dispatch center.

The city of Fenton has utilized a five-year plan for around 20 years, before it was common practice for municipalities.

It has kept city officials abreast of changes ahead, and gives them a snapshot of how their current budget paradigm holds up against projects,

revenues and expenses, in regards to their general fund.

But the ugly financial picture consultant Scott Stauder painted took the council through some dark discussions — like asking whether the city had to provide healthcare for workers, or could they simply offer a cash stipend for healthcare. Mayor Sue Osborn was clear that she didn't want it to come to this.

Stauder credited the city for looking ahead and making tough choices to balance the budgets in previous years. All departments made concessions in the past, and accepted pay freezes and higher deductibles for healthcare.

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'Did you ever have to make up your mind? Pick up on one and leave the other behind. It's not often easy and not often kind. Did you ever have to make up your mind?'

If the above questions sound familiar to some, it's because they are actually the opening lines of a 1965 song written by one John Sebastian and originally performed by his band 'The Lovin Spoonful.'

I recognize that not all readers will be familiar with Mr. Sebastian, his band, or their songs and as much as I'd love to go back to the days of my youth and tell everyone about their history, I won't do that here and instead simply say that this particular song, at the very least, tells us that there are choices to be made in life.

Of course when choices are made they almost always involve the exercise of what we call 'discretion.' A dictionary definition of discretion is the right to choose in a particular situation.

I am confident that all of us use our discretion every day in hopefully making good choices in what we do.

Now when it comes to the law, there is a special type of discretion that judges exercise virtually every day called, 'judicial discretion.'

Black's Law Dictionary gives us this definition of the term:

'Judicial discretion is substantially synonymous with judicial power. It is not the indulgence of a judicial whim, but the exercise of judicial judgment based on facts and guided by law or the equitable decision of what is just and proper under the circumstances.'

There are many examples of when a court is called upon to use its judicial discretion including such things as taking judicial notice of a particular fact, or of the law, child support decisions, and criminal sentencing decisions. There are many more.

If a decision involving the exercise of judicial discretion is appealed, the test as to error is determining if there was an abuse of discretion. An abuse of discretion occurs when a court selects an outcome that is not within the range of reasonable and principled outcomes.

I will now exercise my judicial discretion by concluding this week's column and will write again next week.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | WILLIAM AXFORD

Linden City Manager Paul Zelenak works on the city budget for the upcoming fiscal year in his office. Zelenak has been city manager for a year and said he plans to stay on for many more.

MANAGER

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set up events as the weather warms up.

Like other municipalities, this past winter has hit Linden hard, particularly with the budget.

"This is one of the worst winters I've experienced working for a municipality," Zelenak said. "Our DPW guys have really stepped up to the plate, working 14-hour days. We got 90 inches of snow this year when we normally get 45 inches."

With hopefully the hardest part of the year behind the city, Zelenak is looking forward to drawing more businesses and residents to the downtown area. Beautification plans like extra trees and improved lighting are in the works, as well as recruiting new businesses.

Newcomers like the Bridge Street Exchange, the Downtown Sporting Goods Co. and Gavin Smith Photography have populated the downtown area since Zelenak has taken the helm as city manager. He said more businesses are in the works and will hopefully be opening up in the near future.

Zelenak was hired last year from a pool of 32 applicants after former City Manager Mark Tallman resigned. City council

selected Zelenak due to his experience in downtown development and working with tight budgets.

Outside of building up the downtown area, Zelenak's focus for the next year is to improve infrastructure around the city. An aging sewer system is need of replacement and roads that have been thrashed by brutal temperatures will need repairs. Structures like the Mill building will need some updates this year as well. Zelenak

said the city has received about \$900,000 in grants so far this year and that officials will be applying for more in the near future.

"We want to preserve a lot of historic buildings downtown. They're always a draw for businesses and people."

Aside from this past winter, losing treasurer Gloria Kirshman has been difficult for Zelenak and city staff. With 25 years of experience, Zelenak said Kirshman was a mainstay in city finances and functions. The city is currently in the process of hiring a new treasurer to replace Kirshman, who retired nearly a year ago.

Zelenak said he would like to still be involved in the city five years from now. If everything goes according to plan, he sees Linden continuing to become a more walkable community that draws families.

"Everybody wants to see a good mix of retail and service downtown," Zelenak said. "Community events are going to get stronger and better. We're improving Linden Mills Days this year. We're bringing back the farmers market, Back to the Bricks and Music by the Mill. Those are things people want to be a part of."

As the city moves forward, Zelenak said the Downtown Development Authority will be working on a Mainstreet Committee to help improve downtown. Those interested in joining are encouraged to contact city hall at (810)735-7982.

"I really like the community. I look forward to working with staff, residents and businesses to create the downtown everybody envisions."

Paul Zelenak, Linden city manager

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The barn came tumbling down during Saturday evening's strong wind shear, damaging much of its contents and leaving owners Scott and Jonie Tarkleson unsure if they'll be able to rebuild another structure.

Local barn landmark destroyed in storm

▶Oldest barn in Genesee County felled by Saturday's shear winds

By Sally Rummel

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The historic barn on Scott and Jonie Tarkleson's Mundy Township property has stood through 151 winters, until

last Saturday's spring storm brought it to the ground in a dramatic 10-second vertical wind shear.

Tarkleson was watching the Masters golf tournament on Saturday

when he saw severe weather warnings posted on the bottom of the TV screen.

"We had just done our whole yard cleanup and brought out our patio furniture," said Tarkleson, who has lived on the property for 22 years, with his wife, Jonie. He looked up at the sky and thought the weather was looking "crazy." He and Jonie grabbed their animals and headed to the basement.

It was all over in 10 seconds, recalled Tarkleson, a building contractor who owns Fenton Lakes Building & Design. In those few seconds, the barn, which was built in 1863, was down, crumbling on top of its contents. In addition, four huge pine trees had been uprooted resulting in damage to a fence on the property, a car and Tarkleson's truck. "It took the topper right off," he said.

The Tarklesons are now waiting for the insurance adjuster to find out how much it will cost to bring the barn totally down, before deciding what to do next. "We'd love to put the exact structure back, but it's not possible. Whatever I might put back in its place won't be as cool as that old barn. We'll just have to wait and see."

They aren't the only ones grieving the loss of this historic landmark. "Two

people stopped in the driveway and were crying when they saw the barn down," said Tarkleson. "We loved it and a lot of other people did, too. It was a landmark."

The oldest barn in Genesee County . . . a brief history

Located at 4306 West Baldwin Rd., the barn on the Tarkleson's two-acre property is said to have been built about 1863, just prior to the Civil War.

It's part of the original Mundy farm, for which Mundy Township is named. They came from Genesee County, N.Y. and settled this area, according to Tarkleson in a 2006 article in the Times. This type of square, two-story barn is typical of the barns that settlers from there built. It was the last standing example.

The barn was built from white pine and was a grain barn. According to an expert, it was probably used as a "liquor retail outlet" at the time of Prohibition. Customers could drive a buggy into the barn, load up and be on their way very discreetly, said Tarkleson, in the 2006 article.

In addition to being the oldest barn in the county, it was also said to be one of the oldest in the state.



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The historic barn on the Tarkleson property was always decorated for the holidays, and became a landmark for people driving by.

WEATHER

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with more than 110,000 customers being affected throughout the state. Parts of I-75 and I-475 were closed due to downed power lines. In Oakland County, 48,000 DTE Energy customers were affected by the storm.

Locally, certain parts of Linden and Fenton Township were hit hardest and experienced power outages. Gaines, Mundy and Argentine townships were also hit hard by the sudden storms.

Some residents believe this past weekend's storms were close to being tornadoes.

"Earth was coming up and we saw lightning hit trees," said Fenton Township resident Gregory Pelc. "We went into the basement and we heard a boom! I thought all the windows were being broken out."

That "boom" was a fallen tree that smashed into Pelc's back porch. Pelc's neighbors also experienced some damage, with shingles ripped from roofs and outside furniture ravaged from the strong winds. A trampoline was impaled into the side of one house.

Pat Matney, who lives near Lake Fenton Middle School, said two trees fell onto her house Saturday evening. She and her dog didn't hear it however, not realizing that her roof had been damaged until the next morning. A tree cutting crew removed the debris on Sunday.

Where the weather seems to have stabilized in Genesee County, the western part of Michigan is experiencing detri-



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A tree removal crew works Sunday afternoon, cutting down and eventually removing a tree that fell onto a home in Fenton Township. "I was sitting in my house and didn't hear a thing, even my dog didn't make a sound," said homeowner Pat Matney.

mental weather. The National Weather Service issued a flood warning for Clare, Lake, Mason and Muskegon counties. Emmet and Wexford counties have also reported signs of flooding.

While spring weather can be unpredictable in Michigan, this weekend's past storms didn't match up to last year's weather, when tornadoes ripped through Genesee County. Looking ahead, the Na-

tional Weather Service expects sunnier weather for the rest of the week, aside from showers on Friday. Temperatures are expected to range from the low 50s to the mid 60s, possibly reaching the 70s next week.

Those without power can contact Consumers Energy at (800) 477-5050 or DTE Energy at (800) 477-4747.

"The storm wasn't very long, it only lasted a few minutes."

James Hamp, Fenton Township resident on Saturday's sudden storm



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Tina Pelc of Fenton Township sits in front of her back porch, which was struck by a tree that fell during Saturday evening's sudden hailstorm. Pelc and her family took refuge in their basement Saturday after severe lightning and strong winds came to the area.

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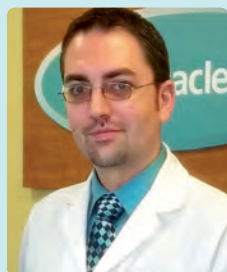
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WHAT YOUR LEGISLATORS HAVE INTRODUCED

MichiganVotes.org, is a free, non-partisan website created by the Mackinac Center for Public Policy, to provide concise, non-partisan, plain-English descriptions of every bill and vote in the Michigan House and Senate. The House and Senate are on a two-week spring break. Therefore, this report contains several recently introduced bills of interest. This report was released on Friday, April 11.

Senate Bill 857 and House Bill 5405: Heroin overdose treatment package
Introduced by Sen. Tonya Schuitmaker (R) and Rep. Anthony Forlini (R) respectively, to establish that a person who in good faith believes that another individual is suffering a heroin or opioid related overdose and who administers an “opioid antagonist” (such as Naloxone) is not liable in a civil lawsuit for damages. Other bills in the package extend similar immunity to pharmacists and doctors. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Bill 868: Increase handicap parking violation fines
Introduced by Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Genesee County), to increase the minimum and maximum fines for illegally parking in a handicap parking place from \$100 and \$250, to \$200 and \$500 respectively. The bill would also authorize posting these amounts on the “handicap parking” signs. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Bill 870: Authorize local drop-off recycling bin regulations and permit mandates
Introduced by Sen. Tonya Schuitmaker (R), to allow local governments to impose a permit mandate on closed recycling bins placed to collect used clothes, shoes, books, etc. (“textile recycling bins”), which would include bins placed by second-hand shops and institutions. Permit-applicants would have to pay annual fees and meet specified registration and location requirements. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Bill 872: Reduce regulatory obstacles to developing stamp-sand property
Introduced by Sen. Tom Casperson (R), to establish that property where “stamp sands” have been deposited is not subject to state environmental law restrictions unless the sands contain hazardous substances that exceed the allowable levels for unrestricted residential use. “Stamp sands” are finely grained crushed rock resulting from copper ore processing and are not uncommon in the Keeweenaw region. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Bill 884: Allow union certification without secret ballot (card check)
Introduced by Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Genesee County), to allow unions to gain certification to represent a group of employees through a “card check” method in which union representatives get at least half the workers to sign a card saying they want the union, with no opportunity to vote in a secret ballot. The bill would also authorize binding arbitration if no contract were reached after 90 days of collective bargaining, with government-appointed mediators empowered to impose a settlement. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

POLICE

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MINOR IN POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL

At 2:30 a.m. on April 12, a Fenton police officer conducted a traffic stop on Owen Road, near U.S. 23. A vehicle had nearly struck another vehicle when it made a turn. When the officer approached the vehicle, they detected the odor of intoxicants. A PBT revealed the 20-year-old Swartz Creek resident who was driving had consumed some alcohol. She was arrested for minor in possession of alcohol. Her two 21-year-old passengers were released.

TWO VEHICLES CRASH TUESDAY ON ICY ROADS

Argentine Township police responded to a car crash on eastbound Silver Lake Road near Lobdell Road at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 15. Police Chief Dan Allen said two vehicles, driven by local residents, lost control on an icy patch and slid into the ditch. One of the vehicles rolled over. There were no injuries.

MALE SLUMPED OVER WHEEL

At 6:40 p.m. on April 5, Argentine Township police responded to a parking lot in the 8300 block of Silver Lake Road to investigate a report of a male slumped over the steering wheel. A responding officer located the vehicle and saw the male slumped over. He appeared to be highly intoxicated. The car was not running and there were no keys in the ignition. A breath test revealed a blood alcohol content of .273 percent, which was a violation of his probation. The 47-year-old Highland resident was turned over to Livingston County for probation charges.

‘PEEPING TOM’ IN ARGENTINE

Argentine Township police are asking residents to call 911 immediately if they spot a “Peeping Tom,” who has been observed multiple times in recent days. Police Chief Dan Allen said there were reports of a white male, in his 20s, with dark hair peeking in windows last year. Now that the weather has warmed, this individual is out again, peeking and knocking on windows at homes, mainly on Murray Road. Rather than stopping by the police station in the morning to file a report, Allen reminds residents to call 911 immediately so that police can catch the the suspect who usually walks around between 9:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m.

GRANDSON SHOVES GRANDMA

At 1:20 a.m. on April 12, Linden police responded to a domestic disturbance on North Bridge Street. Police Chief Scott Sutter said when officers arrived, the 24-year-old suspect was observed in front of the home and screaming at the officers. He appeared to be intoxicated. The suspect's 75-year-old grandmother told police that her grandson had come home drunk and he began shouting at her and family members, as well as breaking items. She told her grandson to leave. The grandson tried to get back into the home, shoving his grandmother. The man was arrested for domestic assault and lodged overnight at the county jail.

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Kevin Oginsky (right) weighs and labels chuck roast, cut by Jared Hawk. The meat department at Apline Marketplace in Linden sees more chicken and turkey sold in January, instead of red meat, possibly because of shoppers' New Year's resolutions.

MEAT

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the Netherlands found adults with meat heavy diets are more likely to develop type 2 diabetes.

For Andrejciw, meat should be eaten in moderation, like any other food group.

“Balance is the key. I always recommend a variety of red meat. You can also have ram, venison, bison and ostrich.”

—Marjie Andrejciw
Nutrition consultant

“I’m not saying you should eat 32 ounce steaks every three meals,” Andrejciw said. “A huge amount of meat is unhealthy. Balance is the key.”

For portion size, Andrejciw said a quarter of it should be meat and animal protein. Another quarter of your plate should be grains or beans. The last half of your plate should exclusively be vegetables.

To get the best quality of meat, Andre-

jciw steers people toward free — range animals. In Andrejciw’s experience, animals that are allowed to roam come with more nutritional value than animals raised in pens and closed quarters.

“Healthy food comes from a healthy animal,” Andrejciw said. “You should have a variety too because different animals have different nutrients.”

SOCIAL SECURITY

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financial planner who can spell out your own specific scenarios.

There are a few clever and legal ways to time the collection of your retirement benefits to increase their worth, according to Kiplinger.com. It may mean the difference between thousands of dollars of annual household income, plus larger benefits later.

Although you can collect Social Security at age 62, it may be wise to hold off. The key to maximizing your family’s Social Security income is to wait until your normal retirement age, currently 66 for anyone born between 1943 and 1954, before you begin to collect benefits. For people born in 1960 or later, the normal retirement age will gradually increase to 67, under current law, unless Social Security reforms change the rules.

Once you reach that normal retirement age based on your year of birth, two things happen:

- You are no longer subject to the earnings cap, meaning you can continue to work without jeopardizing any of your Social Security income.
- You can get creative with your collection strategy to maximize your benefits.

Strategies for married couples

Couples can greatly increase their lifetime Social Security wealth by coordinating their benefits. Here are two examples from AARP, assuming a bread-winning husband with a slightly younger wife who has a modest Social Security benefit of her own.

Claim and switch — the wife takes her own retirement benefit at 62. When her husband reaches full retirement age, he files for spousal benefits on his wife’s account (called a “restricted application,” he has to be at least 66 to qualify). He would get half of her benefit. At 70, the husband switches to his own benefit, which has grown by 8 percent a year, plus cost-of-living increases. If he dies first, his wife switches to her survivor’s benefit, now enhanced by those 8-percent gains.

File and suspend — the husband files for his own retirement benefit at 66, but asks that it be suspended. That

lets his future benefit continue to grow. His wife immediately files for spousal benefits on her husband’s account. She would get one-half of his benefit. At 70, he claims his payments, including those 8 percent increases.

If both partners had high earnings, they’d play it differently.

The husband might file and suspend at 66. When the wife reaches 66, she’d request spousal benefits on his account. At 70, each would claim retirement benefits based on their personal earnings record.

Obviously, the optimum strategy is different for all couples, depending on their ages and which spouse has the higher earnings.

What about divorce?

For the most part, Social Security provides divorced spouses benefits just as they do spouses, if certain requirements are met. A divorced spouse can collect a Social Security retirement benefit on the work record of their ex-husband (or ex-wife), if they are at least 62, were married for at least 10 years, are unmarried now, and are not eligible for a higher benefit based on their own work record.

To collect, a former spouse must also be at least 62 and eligible for Social Security benefits. Even if your ex is remarried, it won’t affect your right to divorcee benefits, nor will it affect your ex’s retirement benefits or his current spouse’s benefits.

However, remarrying makes you ineligible for divorced spouse’s benefits, unless the later marriage ends.

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GARDENING

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plants are good options for introducing children to gardening, as each provides quick gratification.

To further interest children, it is a good idea to plant seeds in a way that allows youngsters to monitor the progress of growth. Use a transparent container, such as rinsed-out glass jars and canisters,

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In addition to being able to eat what they grow, children can learn patience and hard work as they take on the hobby of gardening.

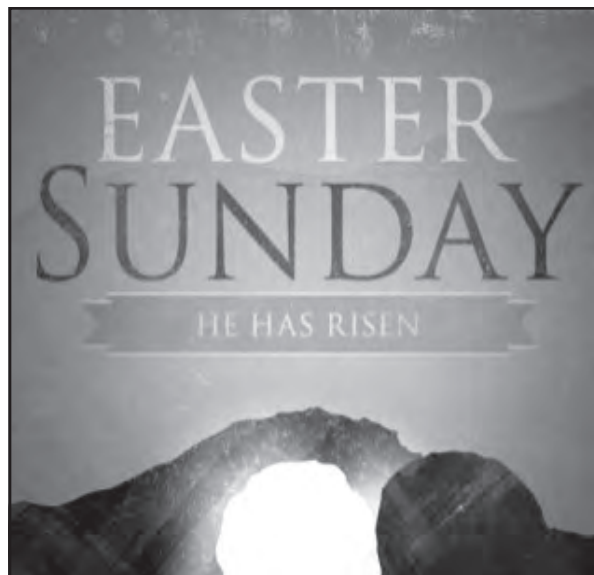
to house the plant. Such containers give kids an unobstructed view of the process, during which children can plot the progress of seed germination and easily spot root and stem development. Once the seedlings grow larger, they can be transplanted into different containers.

Many seedlings can sprout with water alone. Children can easily grow new plants from clippings of a mature plant left resting in a shallow cup of water, and seeds may not even need soil to germinate. Kids may have luck sprinkling seeds ►

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► A love of gardening that's fostered inside can also be explored outdoors.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 18TH, 7:00PM - LAMENTATIONS

SATURDAY, MAY 19TH, 10:00AM - ST. BASIL'S LITURGY

SATURDAY, MAY 19TH, 11:30PM - PASCHAL VIGIL-LITURGY

SUNDAY, MAY 20TH, 2:00PM - AGAPE VESPERS

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- **Thursday, April 17th** - Maundy Thursday Communion Service at 7:00PM
- **Saturday, April 19th** - Egg Hunt for Kids ages 0-10 years at 10:00AM

Easter Sunday

- **April 20th** - Christian Education at 9:00AM
- **Easter Worship Service** at 10:15AM

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on a dampened, crumpled-up piece of paper towel. Cotton balls also make a good place to nestle seeds. Either material will hold on to water, keeping the seeds moist until they sprout. Afterward, the seedlings can be carefully moved into a soil-and-compost mix. The paper towel and the cotton balls will decompose and add to the organic matter already in the soil.

Edible plants often make good choices for children because kids can reap the rewards of their efforts. Herbs can be sprinkled onto food, or fruits and vegetables can be grown in containers and then served at mealtime. Kids can show pride in their accomplishments, espe-

cially if they have tangible results on the dinner plate.

Children who want to try something different can explore other types of plants. Aquatic plants, or those found at the pet store to grow in aquariums, can be easy to grow. They need little more than a container, fresh water and sunlight. Cacti and other succulents are also fun to explore.

A love of gardening that's fostered inside can also be explored outdoors. Set aside a plot of dirt where kids can sow their own seeds and tend to their own gardens. This hobby can help children learn patience and hard work while fostering an appreciation of nature.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

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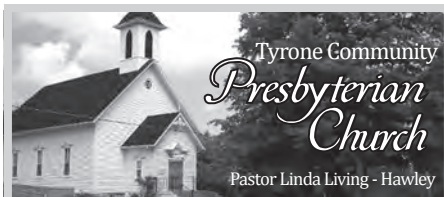
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Fenton Computers Manager Chris Humphrey said they have around 50 machines piled up before they are taken away to be recycled.

E-WASTE

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Once enough old computers, monitors and keyboards are collected, a recycling service takes them away.

Recycling old technology (called “e-waste”) is important, because a number of toxic minerals are used in computers and monitors. Lead, barium, cadmium and mercury are all present in e-waste, enough to be hazardous, according to GLR Recycling Solutions.

Cadmium can cause severe damage to lungs if breathed, and lead can cause damage to the nervous system. As much as 40 percent of landfill lead is from technology, normally old TVs and computer monitors.

“The right recyclers recycle 99 percent of what they refine.”

Wes Peterman
CEO Resourceful Recycling

Once enough material pile up at Fenton Computer, Resourceful Recycling near Chesaning comes and picks it up, paying Fenton Computers for the load. They’ll also pick up from governments, schools and individuals.

CEO Wesley Peterman said his crew can break down a desktop computer to the individual components in 90 seconds. They’ll process up to 1,000 in a day. He expects to top 1 million pounds of e-waste this year, as he’s already hit 300,000 pounds this quarter.

All materials are separated, and care is taken to destroy any information stored on hard drives.

The most valuable part of the computer is the motherboard, which contains precious, but possibly harmful and toxic metals that have to be handled correctly.

These metals are sent to a refiner, while plastic and metals are baled separately. McDunnough Inc. in Fenton pelletizes the plastics from e-waste. Peterman’s goal is to recycle 100 percent of the machines — even the less profitable glass.

“Without handling e-waste correctly, it ends up in our landfills.” Regarding lead and cadmium, “they are absolutely toxic,” he said. “The right recyclers recycle 99 percent of what they refine,” he said, sending very little to the land fill.

Old CRT monitors and TVs he said, have hundreds of different metals, which when not disposed of correctly, can end up in the ground water. The challenge is that there are only three recyclers that handle glass from these old monitors.



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The motherboard of a computer contains precious metals which are separated and sent to refiners. The same metals are bad for the environment, if sent to landfills.

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SPORTS TRIVIA

HOCKEY

Q Who did the Detroit Red Wings beat in the Stanley Cup Finals in 1954?

A The Montreal Canadiens pushed the Wings to seven games, but Detroit ended up winning the series by capturing a 2-1 win in the seventh game.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Fenton golf beats Holly at Heather Highlands

Fenton's Jack Berry was the medalist, earning a one-under-par 35, winning the meet by four strokes. Teammate John Lloyd carded a 39, while Max Martin netted a 44. Nick Campbell had a 45.

Holly was paced by Mitch Hughes and Kyle Vanboemel who each shot 42s. Connor Patterson had a 44, while Kyle Pepper shot a 46.

Fenton baseball swept by Lapeer East

The Tigers lost both games 7-1 and 5-4 at Lapeer East.

In the second game, the Tigers trailed by three entering the seventh, but scored the runs needed to force the bottom of the seventh. Drew Garison and Austin Landis had RBI-singles during the threat. However, East broke the tie in the bottom of the seventh.

In the first game, Jamie Castiglione tossed four innings of one-run ball but was replaced due to pitch count. The bullpen struggled, allowing East to win the first game. Chase Coselman and Justin Norris had two hits in the opening contest.

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Fenton's Foguth thriving at Minnesota State

►Defenseman adjusts from junior to college level

By David Troppens
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Carter Foguth couldn't have asked for a better freshman season at Minnesota State.

"It was a lot of fun," said the Fenton resident. "It was a good experience, not just for me, but for the team. Moving to Minnesota was a new experience for me as well. I couldn't have asked for better teammates, coaches and a better season."

Hockey is a bit different than most sports when it comes to playing at the collegiate level. Where most players begin their athletic careers immediately after high school in the college ranks, many hockey players begin by competing in junior hockey in pursuit of that college scholarship later in their careers. That was the path Foguth took.

Prior to signing with Minnesota State, Foguth spent the previous three years playing junior hockey with the Muskegon Lumberjacks. He also spent one season with the Marquette Rangers. His time in Muskegon with the United States Hockey League Lumberjacks locked up his scholarship. A two-year captain for the squad, the defenseman scored two goals and dished off 12 assists during his career. Foguth knew he was wanted, but realized he was going to have to earn his starting spot at once at Minnesota State.

"When I first came here I had the idea I would probably be in the lineup every night," Foguth said. "But at the same time you realize that nothing is guaranteed. You have to come up here not expecting anything. I just wanted to

go out, try my hardest. It didn't matter if I ended up the first defenseman or the seventh defenseman, I was going to keep working hard."

Apparently his plan worked. After a couple of exhibition games, Foguth earned himself a spot in the starting lineup. The difference between college and juniors was obvious for Foguth.

"When I was playing in juniors, the guys I was playing against were younger than me," Foguth said. "I am now playing against guys that are 25 years old. The competition is tougher. The guys are stronger, faster and the game is quicker. Also, there's no fighting in college hockey, and that's a lot different for me. And the games are more even. Even the last-place team can beat anyone on any given night."

His first start came in a 2-1 victory against the University of Connecticut. In that contest, Foguth blocked two shots. And as the season continued, it was the blocked shot that became the shut-down defenseman's key attribute. Foguth was second on the team in shot blocking, recording 62 in 32 games. And it was two blocked shots that resulted in his two worst



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Fenton resident Carter Foguth was a starter during his freshman season with Minnesota State's national tournament qualifying hockey team this winter.

moments of his freshman season, causing injuries to Foguth. The first happened in early November, shutting him out of action for five complete games. During that span, the Mavericks went just 1-4. When Foguth returned

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SCOTT SCHUPBACH

Fenton's Carly Granger (left) fights for a ball. Fenton tied Oxford 0-0 on Monday.

Fenton softball earns sweep, soccer posts draw

By David Troppens
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It was a pretty convincing start to the season for the Fenton varsity softball team as they swept Lapeer East.

The Tigers won the opener 15-4 in five innings and the second contest 11-1 in six innings.

In the first game, Brenna Hatch impressed with three hits, three runs scored and four stolen bases. Katey Cairnduff had two hits, including a triple. She also scored

three runs and drove in two. Dori Carpenter had three hits and four RBI. Her big hit was a bases-loaded double. Taylor Mowery also had a base-loaded double, scoring three runs.

In the second game, Rachel Siekierki managed two doubles among her three hits. She also scored two runs. Emma Brant had two hits, including a two-run double. Cairnduff had a double and an RBI. Ali Gundry (three RBI) and Logan Carter (two RBI) each had

two hits as well.

Paige Dean pitched both games, allowing a combined nine hits in the two games.

Girls soccer

Fenton 0, Oxford 0

The Fenton Tigers played a defensive battle with Oxford as both keepers earned shutouts.

Fenton outshot Oxford 14-5, but was unable to score. Fenton keeper Abbey Quesnelle made five saves, earning the clean sheet. The Fenton JV squad won 2-0.



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Ages 8, 9 and 10

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2014 TRI-COUNTY SOFTBALL PREVIEWS

LAKE FENTON BLUE DEVILS

Coach: Amos Rinks

Graduated All T-C players: Kayla Ward, Shelby Beckman.

Returning All T-C players: Kim Roe, Alexis Melton, Patricia Whitaker.

Summary: Watch out for the Blue Devils. It's easy to forget the squad made it to the state quarterfinals two years ago. And it's easy to forget that most of the players that made the run, return. This is a good team. Alexis Melton returns behind the plate, while Melody Traeger will be at second. Taylor Sheyachich is strong at first, while Kayla Ward will patrol short. Sydney Sheyachich moves to third from second. The outfield could have some interesting battles,

with Patricia Whitaker, Sheyachich, Sidney Christenson, Kelly Dieck and Allison Petts fighting for a spot. The other two non-pitchers on the roster are Morgan Cassanova and Kylie Bethke. On the mound, the Blue Devils return Kim Roe, one of the team's strengths. Whittaker and Sheyachich should see some time on the mound as well.

Coach Rinks says: "Our goal is definitely to be in the state finals. We know it's a tough road to get there, and our regional is very tough. We have some highly ranked teams. But if Linden can do it, then we can do it."

Projection: The sky is the limit for the Blue Devils. This is a talented group of players.

FENTON TIGERS

Coach: Stefanie Roberts

Graduated All T-C players: Rachel Siekierski, Marina Cleis.

Returning All T-C players: Ellie Cowger.

Summary: With nine players returning, the Tigers are full of promise. Of course, the Tigers are always among the Metro contenders, so that shouldn't be shocking. There are two seniors, and one is Ellie Cowger, headed to the University of Minnesota in the fall. She's the preseason favorite to end up Softball Player of the Year. Cowger will pitch or play short stop. Dori Carpenter is the other senior and she'll play third. Four juniors return. They are Emma

Brant (centerfield), Katey Cairnduff (first base), Paige Dean (pitcher/infield) and Rachel Siekierski (catcher/outfield). Sophomores Ali Gundry and Macie Keller return as well as Sabrina Cleis, who returns after a year off for medical reasons. The newcomers are Brenna Hatch, Taylor Mowery and Logan Carter.

Coach Roberts says: "I like that we hit very well at times and that we play defense very well at times. We just need to be a little more consistent with both our hitting and defense."

Projection: The Tigers should be among the contenders for the Metro title once again. There appears to be ample talent to win a lot of games.

LINDEN EAGLES

Coach: Gordon Jamison

Graduated All T-C players: Maija Satkowiak, Tori Davis, Savannah Weaver.

Returning All T-C players: None.

Summary: The Eagles shocked the state by advancing to the state semifinals last year. What do you do for an encore? A lot of strong players graduated or aren't returning, so it's not going to be easy. Three seniors return. They are Alyssa Logie (first base), Sydney Jacques (catcher and Regan Bengé (right field). They will be some of the leaders. There will be some pitching changes, with Molly Sherman gone. Sophomore Alexa Marsh is expected to take the No. 1 position on the mound, while Molly Churches

will see time there as well. Sterling DeGayner will play at second and Emily Williams will move from the JV to play short. Allyssa Warren will be at third, while Rynne Moorsee, Church and Megan Klavitter should play in the outfield. Nichole Tessner will play in a variety of positions.

Coach Jamison says: "We always want to have a winning record, so we'll push for that. We still have expectations at districts no matter what our record is. It's always a goal to win districts and it always will be."

Projection: The Eagles will take a step down this year, but should be a reasonably solid team. Finishing above .500 and winning a district title seems to be very legitimate goals.

HOLLY BRONCHOS

Coach: Matt Kessler

Summary: Kessler is taking over a program looking to bounce back from the bottom depths of the Metro League. He understands that, and understands the program a bit better than most first-year coaches since he's been in the school for a while. However, the poor spring has been one of the biggest issues. Because he's had little time outdoors, he'll be starting the season with little idea of his club's potential starting lineup. Numbers are solid. The varsity team has 16 and the JV program has 22 players. The middle school team also is reaching numbers near 20, so there is reason for optimism the program can be turned around.

Coach Kessler says: "The biggest thing is getting the team chemistry going and getting them to finish what they start. We want to teach them if you start something, they finish it."

Projection: It'll probably take some time to rebuild the Bronchos. Showing growth is the first step toward improving in the standings.



Linden's
Alyssa Logie

Easter Brunch Buffet

Sunday, April 20th

11:00 am - 1:30 pm, Reservations Please.

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FOGUTH

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to action, he blocked six shots in a 2-1 victory against Alaska-Anchorage.

Once back, Foguth helped lead the Mavericks to a 26-14-1 record overall, finishing second in the Western Collegiate Hockey Association, one point behind Ferris State. In the WCHA playoffs, Minnesota State avenged finishing second by defeating Ferris State 4-1 in the tourney title game. However, four games earlier, Foguth was forced to watch the games from the bench with

another injury off a blocked shot.

"Both injuries were on the same foot," Foguth said. "I'm still recovering from the one, and should be back in six weeks."

The team victory total featured a record for most wins in a season. And, the squad also qualified for the NCAA tourney, losing its first game to The University of Massachusetts Lowell 2-1 in regional action.

"It was a good first year," Foguth said. "The injuries were tough. That's adversity and sometimes you have to deal with it and move on. I was fortunate to get the playing time and opportunities I did."

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

Answer in this Sunday's edition of the Tri-County Times

WednesdayJumble

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

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AMMIX

TIVNAY

HARANG

He won by a tremendous margin and look at him now

IN POLITICS THIS IS WHERE THE "PATHS OF GLORY" MIGHT LEAD.


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

Answer here: TO " " " "

Answer in this Sunday's edition of the Tri-County Times

KEITH ROACH, M.D.

To your good health

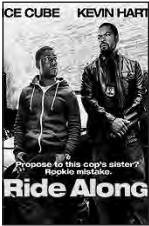


DEAR DR. ROACH: I'm a 70-year-old man in good health. I exercise daily and eat wholesome foods. I now realize that my sexual activity is better in the mornings. On occasion, I get up, take Viagra and go for a brisk walk, have breakfast and go back to bed. Is the testosterone level higher in the mornings? — Anon.

ANSWER: Yes, testosterone levels are higher for both men and women in the mornings. Even younger men often notice this. Also, Viagra works much better if it is taken on an empty stomach and given one to two hours to work.

NEW DVD RELEASES

DVDs and movies released this week



RIDE ALONG
A motor-mouthed high-school security guard joins his prospective brother-in-law, a decorated police detective, on a shift along the mean streets of Atlanta and learns that life on the force is no picnic. Ben (Kevin Hart) longs to marry his gorgeous girlfriend Angela (Tika Sumpter), but before he can propose he must first get the approval of her tough-as-nails brother James (Ice Cube), a top detective in the Atlanta Police Department. PG-13, 1 hr. 39 min.



THE NUT JOB
A scheming squirrel named Surly (voiced by Will Arnett) gathers a crackerjack crew of critters to pull off a heist of the local nut shop so that they will have enough food to make it through the winter. Liam Neeson, Brendan Fraser, Katherine Heigl, and Gabriel Iglesias also lend their voices to this upbeat animated caper comedy. PG, 1 hr. 26 min.



THE SECRET LIFE OF WALTER MITTY
In this comedic adaptation of James Thurber's short story, Ben Stiller stars as Walter, a milquetoast proof-reader for a magazine publishing firm. Walter is constitutionally incapable of standing up for himself, so he retreats into his fantasy world, where he is heroic, poised, self-assured, and the master of his fate. PG, 1 hr. 54 min.

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iPhone tip of the week

Stunning flyover view in Maps

The built-in Maps includes a Flyover view that allows you to experience photo-realistic and interactive 3D views for major cities.

First, switch to satellite mode. If the city you're exploring supports Flyover, there is a Flyover button in the toolbar when you're in Satellite mode.

Tap the button to explore the city in high resolution. Simply zoom, pan, tilt, and rotate around to explore its landmarks.



The tip is provided by Handbook for iPhone Lite.

KING FEATURES

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Pickle flavor

5 Collection

8 Lingerie items

12 Fragrant climbing plant

14 40-Across part

15 Outing for Neil Armstrong

16 Addict

17 Little louse

18 Mistakes in print

20 Confuse

23 Ignore

24 Not closed

25 Under-the-table flirtation

28 Golfer Michelle

29 A deadly sin

30 Wet dirt

32 Weather conditions

34 Challenge

35 Downs or Grant

36 Devilish sort

37 Armadas

40 Listener

41 Small bit

42 Henry Hudson's ship

47 Tea hour

DOWN

1 Brit. mil. award

2 — Jima

3 Zodiac feline

4 One of the Beatles

5 Argument

6 Conger, for one

7 Pay heed

8 Book jacket

9 Passenger Parks

10 Help a crook

11 Will be (Sp.)

13 Tiny branch

19 "The Sultan of Swat"

20 Arrow launcher

21 Grand-scale tale

22 Sense

23 Reality, old-style

25 Largest store in a chain

26 Mosque VIP

27 Continental

28 Natural aptitude

29 Oklahoma city

30 Bakery buy

31 Third son

32 quotes

33 coin

34 Pornography

35 Lair

36 "— It Through the Grapevine"

37 Skin

38 Crazy

39 Mini-flute?

40 Exemplar of craziness

41 Needle case

42 Otherwise

43 Blackbird

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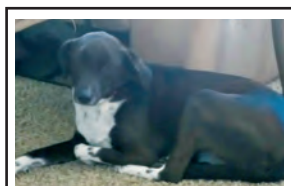
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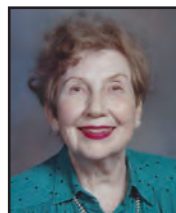
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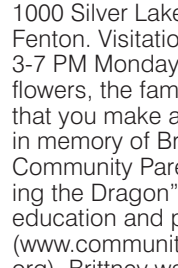
1931-2014
Janice Jagger Knisley
- age 82, of Holly, died
Monday, April 14, 2014.



Memorial
services
will be
held at
1 PM
Saturday,
April 19,
2014 at
the First
Baptist
Church of Holly, with Pas-
tor Ed Pedley officiating.
Mrs. Knisley was born in
Flint on June 17, 1931, the
daughter of Louis and Lau-
ra (Brigham) Jagger. She
was a member of the First
Baptist Church of Holly for
39 years. She loved her
Lord and loved to witness
her faith. She also loved
the newspaper business
and all the arts. Surviving
are her son Phillip Knisley
IV of Holly; daughter Susie
Knisley (David Lindsay) of
Flint Twp.; 2 grandsons,
Stephen (Leslie) Timm of
Flint and Justin (Andrea)
Timm of Flint; 3 great-
grandchildren, Jolie, Ste-
phen Paul, and Miranda;
sister Celia Overlander of
Portage; and many nieces
and nephews. She was
preceded in death by her
husband Phillip "Pete"
Knisley, daughter Michelle
Knisley, son Paul Knisley,
and brother Dean Jag-
ger. Memorial donations
may be made to the First
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neralhomeholly.com.**

Brittney Marie Muntin

1985-2014
Brittney Marie Muntin - age
28, of Fenton, died April
10, 2014. Funeral services
were held
11 AM
Tuesday,
April 15,
2014 at
Sharp
Funeral
Homes,
Fenton
Chapel,



1000 Silver Lake Rd.,
Fenton. Visitation was held
3-7 PM Monday. In lieu of
flowers, the family asks
that you make a donation
in memory of Brittney to
Community Parent "Chas-
ing the Dragon", for drug
education and prevention
(www.communityparent.
org). Brittney was born Oc-
tober 2, 1985 in Flint. She
is survived by her daughter,
Aiyanna Rae and her fa-
ther, Kyle Starkey; parents,
Steve (Carey) Muntin, Lori
(Doug) Muxlow; sisters
and brothers, Alexa, Conor,
Parker, Preston and Chloe;
step-brothers, Neil (Sarah)
Muxlow, Kyle Muxlow;
grandparents, Fred and
Arlone Muntin, Gordon
and Muriel Walters; great-
grandmother, Marjorie
Oderkirk; aunts, Angie
Nichols, Nanette (Anthony
Whyte) Muntin; uncle,
Brad (Jana) Muntin; many
cousins; Godparents, Mike
and Kathy Streng. She was
preceded in death by her
grandmother, Georgiana
Walters. Online condolenc-
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