

Nearly a third of Fenton students qualify for free or reduced meals Forty-eight percent of all Michigan

students take advantage of food program

average.

By Tim Jagielo

tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795 In Fenton Area Public Schools (FAPS), 1,048 students qualify for either the free or reduced meal program. This is about 28 percent of approximately 3,500 students.

This is less than the 32 percent the year before. Superintendent Timothy

Jalkanen said the number of students using the program has been up during his tenure, but it is always in flux, because so is the student population. "Then families report that things get better and no longer need assistance," he said. FAPS is lower than the state-wide

See MEALS on 8A

TRI-COUNTY TIMES I FILE PHOTO Nearly half of the students in Michigan qualify for reduced-cost or free meals. Currently 28 percent of Fenton students qualify



Guit whining. More Surprise! Stay-at-home moms

on the rise More women shunning workforce to raise families

By Sally Rummel

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 Carrie Keech of Argentine Township has the heart of a teacher, only now she uses those skills as the stay-at-home mother of five daughters instead of in a classroom.

Colleen Woodruff of Fenton also has a degree in education, but made a conscious decision when her daughter, Grace, was born almost 10 years ago, to stay home with her.

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This room is the epicenter of play at the Keech household. Here the girls play with Play-Doh, in a room that Carrie (standing) can sanitize for Phoebe, 3, (center) who is undergoing treatment for cancer. On the far right is Cece, 9, who is seated next to Grace, 7. Far left is Vivian, 4, and next to her is Josephine, 18 months.

Guilty plea by Fenton business owners in Tomahawk missile probe



The owners of Precision Metal Spinning in Fenton plead guilty to charges of lying to the FBI about faulty welds they provided to the government that caused thousands of Tomahawk missiles to be recalled for inspection by the military.

FBI investigates parts provided by Precision Metal Spinning in Fenton

By Sharon Stone

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 Dennis Frederick, 59, and his son Brian Frederick, 41, pleaded guilty Wednesday in U.S. District Court in Flint for making false statements involving faulty welds that were supposed to be part of the government's Tomahawk cruise missile system.

Fenton police accompanied Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) agents when they executed a search warrant on Feb. 28, 2012 at See GUILTY on 8A

Twenty-three percent of voters turn out for millage election

Officials move quickly to upgrade tech, security and infrastructure

By William Axford

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After three attempts in three years, the Fenton Area Public Schools (FAPS) district will receive bond money to update technology, security, infrastructure and purchase a fleet of new buses. The proposed \$11 million bond was approved Tuesday after 2,249 constituents voted yes and 1,464 people voted no.

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would have voted. The majority ruled. Case closed.

66 It is not the job of municipalities to help special interest groups promote their personal lifestyle.



rationally. If they pass a new, and unnecessary ordinance, then we need a new council.

Council should

calm down

and think



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RESIDENTS ARE now blocked from enjoying their own downtown by a business that is taking all public parking and making a profit. We gave them the building, and we gave them cash, and we gave them our parking. What's in it for the residents? Shouldn't a restaurant have to provide their own parking?



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CAR MIRROR DAMAGED

At 10:30 a.m. on May 3, Fenton police responded to the Fairfield Apartments on Silver Parkway to investigate a complaint. A 65-year-old resident reported that someone popped out the mirror of his exterior side mirror. Damage was estimated at \$100.

FLINT MAN KEEPS RENTAL CAR

On May 2, Fenton police responded to a business in the 16000 block of Silver Parkway after learning that a 61-year-old Flint man had not returned his rental car, a grey Ford Focus, that he had rented on March 31. The business had made several attempts to contact the man but were unsuccessful. Fenton police requested Flint police to locate the man, however, contact was not made. Fenton police are seeking an arrest warrant and the car has been entered into LEIN as stolen.

ONE OWI PER DAY

Lt. Jason Slater of the Fenton Police Department said between April 30 and May 6, officers have made seven drunk driving arrests, which works out to one a day. The arrests have been throughout the city, as well as U.S. 23 of a wide range of ages between the hours of midnight and 6 a.m.

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Nearby farm supplies 6,000 pounds of bees

Annual hive sale a driving force behind 40 percent of Michigan crops

By Tim Jagielo

tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795 Swartz Creek — The gray, cool weather is good for everyone buying boxes of bees from Anthony's Bee Farm last Friday.

Had it been warm and bright out, instead of clinging to each other in a pile inside the mesh boxes, the bees would have been buzzing frantically as they were driven home.

That morning, beekeeper Carole Beauchamp of Mundy Township appreciated that the bees wouldn't be floating around her car, or clinging to her, as she drove them home.

If you use fresh local honey it comes from local beekeepers such as Dick and Carole Beauchamp, who maintain hives on their property. Orchards, blueberry farms and hobbyist clubs also come out, filling the back of their pick-up trucks with crates of buzzing bees.

But when beekeepers and businesses like them need a restocking

See BEES on 14A



Craig Holovach (right) and David Anthony grab packages of bees for customers last Friday. This year is critical for bees because they pollinate 40 percent of crops in Michigan, and beekeepers lost 60 percent of their hives this past winter. There aren't enough bees to buy from warmer states to keep up with demand.

Flower season two weeks behind



TRI-COUNTY TIMES ITIM JAGIELO Arloa Weatherly of Fenton Township picks out assorted flowors for her mother at Villago Aco Hardware in Linden

flowers for her mother at Village Ace Hardware in Linden on Wednesday. Weatherly can't remember the last time flowers were late like this year.

Local experts weigh in on weather and getting ready for late springtime planting

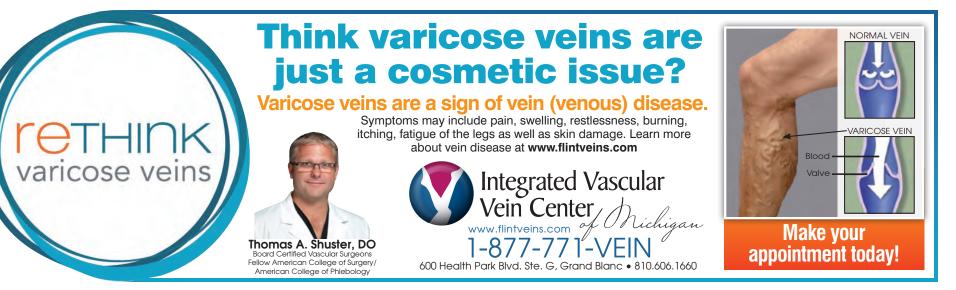
By Hannah Ball

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 Colder temperatures have affected one of the most important as-

pects of Mother's Day — flowers. Even though it's Mother's Day weekend, there aren't many flats of flowers yet at Yard 'N Garden in Fenton. "We're at least two to three weeks behind where we usually are because of the weather," said owner Carol McAlister. "Perennials arrived on Tuesday and we have hanging baskets, but we don't recommend putting them out this early. I'll be putting things out in the day and bringing them in at night. I don't trust the weather. It looks like it's going to be up and down through the month of May."

Waiting to plant until the very end of May is still sound advice.

Before many plants grow in the spring, their buds require a See FLOWERS on 11A



Mom's hands

This column is published on Mother's Day each year.spoon-A friend sent me an email the other dayrade ofthat got me thinking about mymom's hands.By Foster Childs

For me, Mom's hands are the first thing that comes to mind when I think of her. Some days I can recall them more clearly than her face. Often they were red and raw from hot dishwater, wrinkled from bath water, and they were battle-scarred from years of accidental burns from scorching skillets and hot irons. But they were the most important hands in my life and

important hands in my life and — to me — they were beautiful.

Mom's hands reached out from the delivery room for me and each of my six brothers and sisters in the first few mo-



AT LEAST REPUBLICANS have not tried to block cities from raising the minimum wage. That would be against their principles that government is best at its lowest level. Oklahoma (R) governor signed law barring cities from raising minimum wage.

NO MORE UNEMPLOYMENT benefits for the lazy people. There are plenty of jobs out there and there are plenty of ways to create your own business too. Get off your couch and get to work!

DETROIT! THEY HAVE no respect for good things. They take brand new apartments and turn them in to rundown slums. That's what happened to Detroit. Let it fail.

TO THE PERSON unsure of how bond items will provide students with a stellar education, how about getting them to school safely (buses), and keeping them safe while learning (security and upgrades). Children can't learn when they are unsafe.

IT IS CRIMINAL behavior to schedule a millage vote at any time outside of a general election. You manipulated the system get what you wanted. The voters spoke twice before and you ignored us. I will remember.

AS THE MOTHER of a gay son, I applaud Brad Jacob for his courage in protecting him from those who might want to bully him. We need more laws like this. ments of our life and never really let go until the day she died.

Mom's hands spent countless hours spoon-feeding a seemingly endless parade of babies from endless jars of Gerber

If I Were

strained vegetables and fruits. They changed our diapers, washed our faces, combed our hair and wiped our runny noses. They reached out and caught us when, as toddlers, we crashed to the floor while learning to walk. They held our trembling bodies when we awakened from bad dreams in the middle of the night. Mom's hands dried our

tears and applied Band-aids to our scraped knees and elbows.

They buttoned our coats, pulled on our mittens and taught us to tie our shoes. They waved a finger an inch from our noses when we misbehaved and washed our mouths out with Ivory soap when we

NOW THAT THE school bond passed, I feel we, the taxpayers, are entitled to a quarterly financial statement on how the money is being spent. This will keep them honest.

FENTON ALREADY HAS plenty of laws to protect all citizens. Singling out homosexuals for redundant laws is a political agenda, not a necessary law.

A QUICK THOUGHT: instead of blaming all people on food stamps, Medicaid, etc. for being on 'welfare,' why don't we ask many employers: a) why they don't hire when huge profits are made and b) when they do, why they never pay anywhere near the value of a worker's labor?

HILLARY CLINTON COULDN'T care less about the four men who died in Benghazi and you think she should be president? She is responsible for their death. She sent no help. Can you imagine what it was like for them alone?

WHEN FOLKS TALK about the 'good 'ol days' and 'wanting their country back,' I sometimes wonder how far back they want it? Before racial segregation was banned? Before workers could organize? Before all women could vote? Nostalgia for times that never really happened makes for bad public policy today.

IS THERE ANY speed control in Linden? People on North Bridge are doing 40 plus mph all day long. The speed limit is 25.

THE LAST TIME the minimum wage was raised was 2007. The cost of goods and services has risen between .01 to 4.1 percent every year since (16.1 percent total). Meaning \$7.40/hr. today does not equal \$7.40/hr. seven years ago, when it comes

were disrespectful.

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Mom's hands prepared an incalculable number of meals to feed her family. They transformed flour, sugar, spices and apples into award-winning pies.

They took thousands of photos of birthday parties, graduations and weddings. They clapped at hundreds of plays, little league games, award ceremonies and ballet recitals. They tied bows on countless birthday and Christmas gifts.

Mom's hands proudly displayed her wedding ring to show the world that she had married the love of her life. They shook in fists of anger when she was hurt or angry.

They trembled when she wrote weekly letters to my older brother serving his country in Vietnam. They folded in prayer each night before she slept. They shook when she buried a son, her parents and her baby sister.

They eagerly turned the pages of textbooks and proudly accepted a college diploma when she attained her dream of

to purchasing power. Unchanged, it's like getting an hourly pay-cut every year.

IF YOU WANT to make everybody happy on the gay marriage issue do this: get the government out of marriage. Or call it a civil union for everybody. Or, if you're straight, don't get gay married. And if it's really a 'sacred institution,' why not outlaw divorce, too?

IF THE TEACHERS union didn't rip off the communities then there would be plenty of money 'for the kids.' All teachers know that. You basically just gave the teachers another \$11 million.

JUST DROVE TO the parking lot of Fenton's downtown Gazebo park. Guess what? There was no place to park. Shouldn't businesses have their own parking lots?

MAKE ME PRESIDENT of the school board and I will give you everything you need and more, without raising taxes one

I ENCOURAGE EVERY American to research third parties. You have more options than just the Democrats and

dime.

Republican parties. WHO THE HELL is running Fenton City Council, Larry, Moe and Curly? Show me one 'hate crime' against any minority group that has occurred in Fenton. Is that Councilman Jacob going 'nyuk, nyuk, nyuk?'

I WANTED TO wish all of the mothers out there a Happy Mother's Day. We wouldn't be who we are without our mom's love and devotion.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

becoming a nurse after her children were grown. They lovingly cradled each of her dozen grandchildren.

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Mom's hands held the hands of countless relatives, friends, neighbors and patients who sought her comfort in times of need.

When, near death, she couldn't walk, couldn't see and couldn't speak, her hands could still weakly squeeze our hands in acknowledgement of our presence right up until mere hours before she died.

And it was these same hands that God reached out and took hold of when He took her home.

Mothers are God's most precious and under-appreciated gift. If I were King, every day would be Mother's Day. And I'd give anything I possess if I could, just for a moment, hold my mom's hands in my hands again.

To all moms — Happy Mother's Day. Opinions offered in If I Were King are the author's alone and do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the Tri-County Times or its staff. E-mail the King at king@tctimes.com. Some information reprinted from the Internet.



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Gift of Life

Dear Editor,

Thank you Sally Rummel for reminding us all of the gift of life an individual can give by making a living kidney donation. I encourage anyone to pursue donating a kidney even if they believe they have a slim chance of being a match for their loved one because of the paired donation program, one of which is available at the University of Michigan Kidney Transplant Center. This program identifies 'pairs' where the donor from one pair donates their kidney to the recipient of the second pair, resulting in two transplants. The need for kidneys is great and the waiting list for deceased donor kidneys is long. Knowing about this program encouraged me to pursue donating because I knew that if I was found eligible, my husband would receive the donation he needed, whether from me or from paired donation. Seeing my husband regain his health is a joy!

> — Marcia Kramer Linden

What was the best advice you've gotten from your mother?



Compiled by Hannah Ball, intern

"Be kind to everyone."



"Probably to get a college education."



"If you want it bad enough, you'll find a way to get it."



"It's always worth it to tell the truth."

— Tim Boulav

Fenton Township



"Don't lie. Respect others."

street talk

"Best advice was to 'love everyone and treat everyone the same.""

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Locke's Party Shoppe owner Tony Aleyas told Fenton City Council that business was OK before the law in 2010 — but now they're at a disadvantage against businesses that can sell alcohol Sunday morning in surrounding municipalities.

Fenton may tap Sunday morning alcohol sales

Revisiting 2010 decision

prompted by businesses' request

By Tim Jagielo

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Fenton—According to local businesses, if Fenton doesn't reverse its Sunday morning liquor sale policy, lots of money is literally being left on the table.

Currently, the city of Fenton does not allow sales of alcohol before noon on Sunday. The city passed an ordinance when statewide sales were

allowed by permit unless the municipality made it illegal.

Between actual alcohol sales, and "tie- ins" like ice and chips, Chris Palmer, store director for VG's on Silver Parkway estimates each store loses, at minimum, \$100,000 each year.

Tony Aleyas of Locke's Party Shoppe on North LeRoy Street guesses around \$1,200 per store, per weekend is lost.

"It really takes a hit out of business," said Jill Remillard of Matt and Terry's Market on North Road. She guesses 15 customers leave without spending \$50 each, every Sunday.

Mark Hamel of The Laundry said Sunday mornings can be big days for them, because of lighter drinks like Bloody Marys and mimosas, but can't serve them until noon.

Of the seven council members, five are convinced the current ordinance should

be changed.

Councilwoman Cheryl King expressed concern of alcohol being abused on the lakes, but may be swayed by the testimony of businesses to change her mind.

Morally, Councilman Les Bland said he is solidly against Sunday morning sales.

Should a municipality allow it, businesses could buy annual permits from the state, for serving mixed drinks, bottled drinks, packaged alcohol, or all.

On Monday, representatives from The

Laundry on Shiawassee Avenue, Matt and Terry's Market on North Road, and Locke's Party Shoppe on LeRoy Street spoke to council at the work session at which the agenda item appeared.

Today, they said that often a customer will come in with an armload of groceries including alcohol intending a purchase before noon, unaware of Fenton's ordinance against sales before noon on Sunday.

When they can't buy the entire order, they usually leave the whole thing at the counter. The business loses that sale, and also the time restocking the items.

It's not difficult to see why visitors get confused — the surrounding municipalities allow the sales before noon.

In the end, the council directed city attorney Stephen Schultz to draft three resolutions — one allowing packaged alcohol in stores, bottled alcohol at bars and restaurants, and a draft for mixed drinks.



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Wrong-way driver's trial set for September

Swartz Creek teen faces life in prison for second-degree murder of Mt. Morris woman

By Sharon Stone

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 A Swartz Creek teen's fate will be

left to a jury to decide. Zachary Parker, 18, remains at the Genesee County Jail in lieu of bond. He faces eight felony counts involving a fatal wrong-way crash on Feb. 9 that killed Mariah Bailey-Collins, 35, of Mt. Morris. A sample taken of his blood revealed a blood alcohol content of .197 percent, more than twice the legal limit.

Parker faces up to life in prison if convicted as charged.

Prosecutors will attempt to prove that Parker is guilty of causing Bailey-Collins' death when he struck the car in which she was a passenger. Charges were also filed for the injuries sustained by Brian, her husband of three days who was driving the car. He was seriously

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injured as well as her 11-year-old son who was seated in the back seat.

Mundy Township detectives reported that at about 10 p.m. on Feb. 9, Parker entered northbound U.S. 23 via the Grand Blanc Road exit ramp and drove the wrong way on the highway. Motorists made 911 calls to report the wrong-way driver and when Parker's car got near the Torrey Road overpass in Mundy Township, police said his car struck the family's car head-on.

Mundy Township detectives learned that the teen had spent several hours at a Burton apartment drinking liquor with friends. Det. Mike Neering said the teen told police that he thought he was heading home and didn't realize he was going the wrong way. He sustained minor injuries.

Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton has said that 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.

Attorney Michael Manley is representing Parker.

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 Count 5: OWI causing serious injury

Count 6: Reckless driving causing serious impairment of body function

Count 7: OWI causing serious injury

Count 8: Reckless driving causing serious impairment of body function.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

I BEG TO differ. The reader who loves his gas-guzzling SUV and keeps that burn permit current sounds much more like someone who would vote Democrat to keep them good union jobs 'a-comin.'

ITHINK IT is the left who have convinced you anyone who hates poor people to create a class war that they believe they will win since there are more poor than middle and upper income Americans. Wasn't Obama supposed to fix all that? Yet another failure on his part.

HOW COULD ANY sane person ever think that wages paid by a private employer are anyone's business but the employer and the employee?



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Tornado season firing up in Michigan

►Sirens will be tested first Saturday of every month until November

By William Axford

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It's almost been a year since tornados last ripped through Fenton Township. While tornado season began a little over a month ago, now is prime time for potentially dangerous spring weather. As a safety measure for the public, tornado sirens are tested on the first

Summary

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Testing for

Saturday of every month and will last until November.

Signs of potential tornados include strong, constant rotations in clouds and hail or heavy rain followed by either calm or intense winds, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Sirens within the city of Fenton are located near the Shell gas station on Silver Lake Road near U.S. 23, State Road Elementary

School, near Subway on Dauner Road, Ellen Street near Ann Street and at Target on Owen Road.

Sirens in Fenton Township are located at the fire department stations, located at Owen Road and Bowles Street near the township offices.

Sirens within Holly Township are located at Fish Lake Road and Grange Hall Road. In the village, there is a siren at the south end and north end. Argentine Township has a tornado siren at Silver Lake Road and Glen Hatt. While they do not occur every year, the tri-county area has a history of being hit with devastating tornados. An F2 tornado with winds of 150 mph hit the city of Fenton on Aug. 24, 2007. Two months later, another tornado hit Davisburg Elementary School, causing \$600,000 in damages. Springfield Township near Holly experienced a tornado on July 2, 1997, which moved onto Livingston County and eventually Wayne County. Damages reached more than \$90 million.

The most powerful tornado recorded in the Flint area hit June 8, 1953, killing

> 116 and injuring 884 people while destroying 340 homes, and damaging 260 of them.

In the event of a tornado, people should:

Go to their basements, a safe room, storm cellar or the lowest level in any home or building. If there isn't a basement, go to the center of a small room such as a hallway or closet, away from corners, windows, doors and other outlets.

If you're inside a manufactured home, leave immediately and seek a nearby shelter or building. Manufactured homes have little protection from tornados, even if they're tied down.

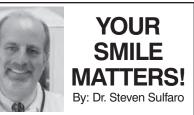
If you are away from any buildings, take cover near a vehicle or lie in an area noticeably lower than the level of the road. Do not get under an overpass or bridge. Never try to outrun a tornado and watch out for flying debris, which causes most fatalities during tornados.

For more information on safety regarding tornados, visit Ready.gov.



WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN A TORNADO SIREN SOUNDS OFF

During testing, tornado sirens will blare for one continuous minute. During an actual emergency, sirens will blare continuously for three minutes, followed by a seven-minute pause. These 10-minute intervals will last for as long as an emergency is in effect. Operation of each emergency siren is conducted by municipalities as the state of Michigan or counties do not regulate the usage of emergency sirens.



SMOKING AND PERIO

One of those internet "Top Ten" lists came out recently that listed the ten worst things we do to our bodies. Cigarette smoking was listed as number one. Smoking plays a significantly harmful role in the health of the entire body. Research and studies have conclusively shown that smoking increases a person's risk of heart disease, stroke, cancer, and low birth-weight infants. People have known for years that smoking affects the teeth as well, by causing yellow staining and bad breath. New evidence is now suggesting a direct link between smoking and periodontal dis-Studies are showing that if you ease. smoke, you have much greater chance of getting periodontal disease. The risk is at least doubled for smokers compared to non-smokers. Upwards of 75% of all people diagnosed with periodontal disease are smokers. In addition, because smoking impairs the immune systems ability to fight infection; those folks who smoke and who are diagnosed with gum disease, are less likely to be successfully treated. Therefore smokers have a much greater risk of loosing their teeth due to periodontal disease. So, if you are a smoker, you now have one more reason to kick the habit. Your teeth will thank you for it.

I welcome your questions and comments. Feel free to e-mail me drsulfaro@comcast.net



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MEALS **Continued from Front Page**

According to the Michigan Center for Educational Performance and Information, approximately 48 percent of Michigan students qualify - 652,145 for reduced-cost meals and 86,848 for free meals.

The free and reduced meal program is administered at the state level by the Michigan Department of Education, office of school support services, and funded through federal dollars.

Last year, FAPS was reimbursed \$465,137. The federal monies FAPS receives goes back into the food service account. He said it helps keep prices low overall, and food quality high.

The program is reim-

bursed through federal dollars, which comes with a fair amount of oversight. FAPS is audited from the forms they use, to the menu, food and kitchens.

To qualify, there is a table for family income requirements. For a reduced

FREE AND REDUCED PROGRAM At FAPS, the reduced

meal program reduced meals to \$.40, and breakfasts to \$.30. Regular lunch at the high school and Andrew G. Schmidt

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meal program for example, the threshold income for a family of four is \$43,568. They will likely qualify for a reduced meal price, and if a family of four makes less, they may qualify for free meals.

Jalkanen said a software program decides who qualifies, though FAPS will make the information

available, and screen for minimum requirements. New students to the dis-

trict are made aware of the program, and information available to anyone who needs it. Usually counselors will also ID families who are in need, after a life situation may have brought a student in for counseling. "Sometimes it's a delicate thing for parents to request the form," he said, a challenge for them, even.

"We encourage every-

body to. Our kids - they need to eat, they need to have food. We know it's important for their well-being and for their good health and nutrition.'

Jalkanen said the economy improving slowly as a whole can help reduce program applicants.

Food services plates 1,500 lunches each day, and the other 2,000 students buy their food ala carte.

GUILTY

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the men's business, Precision Metal Spinning, on Fenway Circle in Fenton. Seizure of documents from the Fenton facility added to the FBI's investigation.

Precision Metal Spinning was tasked with making welds. According to the FBI's investigation, the company had difficulties with the welds and subcontracted out the job to an unapproved, out-of-state third party. When welds were determined to be faulty, the FBI began its investigation by confirming if the Fenton company was doing the work to the government's specifications.

Reportedly the Fredericks told FBI agents that the Fenton business was doing the work, but the FBI learned otherwise.

The men have cooperated with investigators and admitted responsibility. A sentence of one-and-a-half years has been requested and the judge is considering staggered sentences to keep their business in operation. The men also face more than \$1.6 million in restitution to cover the parts that had to be scrapped. Thousands of missiles had to be recalled or inspected.

According to navaltechnology.com, the Tomahawk is a long-range, all-weather, subsonic cruise missile in service with the surface ships and submarines of the U.S. and Royal Navy. Originally produced by General Dynamics, Tomahawk is currently manufactured by Raytheon.

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- window and locker replacement
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MILLAGE **Continued from Front Page**

Superintendent Timothy Jalkanen said the Fenton Board of Education is expected to make a resolution Monday adopting the bond money. Implementation of the bond projects should start at the beginning of summer recess.

"We're very thankful that the community supported the proposal and recognizes having quality schools is important for students, and Fenton," Jalkanen said. "During the summer months, our goal is to do as much as we can."

Infrastructure updates and increased security are two of the major projects Jalkanen foresees being completed before the start of the 2014-15 school year. Buses

will be purchased over the life of the bond rather than all at once.

The school board decided to try for an \$11 million bond in December after reviewing district needs for new technology, transportation and instructional equipment. The board attempted two bonds in 2012, one for \$9.6 million in May and then for \$8.4 million in November. Both attempts were voted down at the polls. The current bond has a lifespan of 12 years.

Jalkanen said district officials will strive for transparency when it comes to how the bond will be spent, alerting the public through Fenton schools website and at board of education meetings.

'We want the community to know what we're doing with the funds and how it's

going to be used," Jalkanen said.

An instructional technology committee will decide what type of equipment

will be purchased, whether it's lap-We're tops, desktops or very thankful tablets. Jalkanen said portable that the workstations that community can be wheeled supported from classroom to classroom are the proposal.77 expected to be **Timothy Jalkanen** purchased for the Fenton schools

superintendent

district. Band equip-

ment, locker replacement, football turf infill and upgrading baseball and softball dugouts are some of the projects listed for the athletic department.

Overall, the special election attracted 3,712 voters out of 16,175 total registered voters within the FAPS district, for a turnout of 23 percent. This year's turnout was higher than the special election held during May of 2012, when 12.56 percent of voters cast a ballot. Since the bond proposal was voted for outside of the General Election, FAPS will have to pay Genesee County for the election. FAPS paid \$13,466 in 2012 for the special election.

The next board of education is meeting will be held Monday, May 12, at 6 p.m. at the administration building.



2014 VILLAGE OF HOLLY FIRE DEPARTMENT GOLF OUTING

The Holly Fire Department is hosting its first golf outing to help raise needed funds to purchase new equipment, gear, trainings, and to renovate the fire station. The event will be held on Saturday, June 28 at Heather Highlands Golf Club. The deadline to register your team to golf in the four-person scramble is Friday, June 20. The fire department invites anyone to join their efforts as a sponsor or through donations of prizes and raffle items. Several levels of sponsorship opportunities are available. To sign up your team or to obtain a sponsorship form, email outing director David Platz at hollyfiregolfouting@gmail. com or call him at (248) 245-1242.

HURLEY TEEN HEALTH CHECK

In partnership with the Thomas Smith Memorial Foundation, Hurley Children's Hospital is offering FREE Teen Heart Health Checks to students ages 13 to 19. The event, in memory of Shane Holton, takes place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 17 at Goodrich High School, 8029 South Gale Rd. Participants must be preregistered. To register, call (810) 262-9260 and press option #1. Registration lines are open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, go to www. TommysHeart.org.

MINI BOOK SALE

A mini book sale will be held on Saturday, May 17, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Jack R. Winegarden Fent

TYRONE HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO MEET

The Tyrone Historical Society will meet at the township hall, at 10408 Center Road on Monday, May 19. There will be a potluck at 6:30 p.m. with a short meeting following. The speaker for the evening will provide history of the St. Augustine Catholic Church, on the corner of Faussett and Green roads. It is the only church in Livingston County that is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Everyone is invited and welcome to bring a friend. For more information, call (810) 629-2031.

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certain amount of time below cold temperatures, according to "Temperature Effect on Plants" by Erv Evans, a consumer horticulturalist at North Carolina State

University. The time period and temperatures vary, but buds can survive cold weather during this dormancy. However, when the buds are more susceptible to temperatures after dormancy, frost and cold temperatures can be harmful, according to the article.

Kelsey Schunot, who has been the Greenhouse Manager at Bordine's in Mundy Township for four seasons, said all plants, even trees and shrubs, have been affected by the cold temperatures. "It has to deal with the weather. We had a harsh winter. We keep getting nice days and frost at nights.

"People need to keep an eye on the weather."

Planting has been pushed back because the ground has not been warm enough. Schunot warns against planting annuals and if the ground temperature drops below 55 degrees, the plants will die.

"We tell people to plant after Memorial Day," Schunot said. "It's all on the weather. Hopefully by Memorial Day it

should be good."

Brenda Bonk, who has worked in Gerych's greenhouse in Fenton for 16 years, said it's hard to predict how plants will be hurt by the temperatures. "I do anticipate loss and damage to hydrangeas," Bonk said, adding that not

all plants are being hurt by these subzero temperatures. "Pansies love this weather," Bonk said. 'It's a good time to start peas."

> The flowers growth depends on nighttime temperatures. "People that do make purchases babysit them and worry about them," Bonk said. "Consumers are pretty

well educated." Even though the plants at McKay's Hardware greenhouse in Holly haven't been affected that much, sales of bedding plants have been affected, according to Teresa Coventry, who is helping to

open the new greenhouse. "Putting them outside is the problem because it's so cold," Coventry said. The former owner of a garden store in Clarkston, said pansies and petunias are coolerweather plants, and impatiens and vegetables hate the cold. "The cooler weather plants

are good to go in anytime," Coventry said. "Every time the sun comes out, the people come out," Coventry said.



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People that do make purchases babysit them and worry about them. 77

Brenda Bonk Gerych's greenhouse manager



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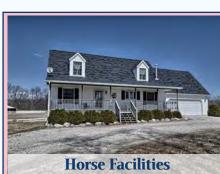
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By Sharon Stone

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It's natural to wonder where ambulances and police cars are heading as you pull over and watch as they speed past your car. Or maybe you hear sirens nearby while you're at home or work and wonder what's going on.

If you have a smartphone, you can download a free app called 5-0 Radio, Police Scanner.

As the editor, as well as the police reporter for the Times, I have found this app to be quite handy when I am

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trying to find out where an automobile crash or structure fire is located in order to send our photographer to the scene.

After downloading and opening the app on your phone, you will see that you can browse numerous police scanners across the country, not just ones near your home or workplace. This works out great if you travel by car in the event that traffic comes to a standstill. With the app, you can search for the nearest police scanner based on the GPS of your phone. Turn up the volume and you'll likely be able to pick up chatter on the police scanner and learn why traffic is backed up and even prompt you to alter your route if possible.

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BEES

Continued from Page 3A of bees, they, and everyone else in Michigan, Illinois, Ohio and Indiana come once a year to replenish hives that may have been lost.

Aside from colony collapse disorder (CCD), honeybees had another enemy this winter - record low temperatures that killed many hives, including all three of the Beauchamp's hives. Instead of the usual 30-percent hive loss, 60 percent of hives were lost this year in Michigan. This winter it was so cold the bees couldn't take "cleansing flights" outside the hive, nor could they find food. Carole was buying one hive, or three pounds worth of bees, at a cost of \$89.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Carole Beauchamp of Mundy Township brings home a hive's worth of bees last Friday. She lost three hives over the winter, and hopes to rebuild this season.

The day before, 6,000 pounds of bees arrived via semi trailer in bulk, filling an entire pole barn, bringing 500 customers out to the farm off a dirt road in the country.

David Anthony is president of the farm, AWS, Inc. "We can't get enough bees to supply the demand," he said, even though they sold more than usual. This is because the shortage of bees happened nationwide. His bees came from northern California, but they can also be supplied from Florida and Georgia.

Inside the pole barn, Anthony and his business partners sold "packages," of two, or three pounds of bees, from rows of stacked boxes, like cargo crates.

They sell for 24 hours straight to service customers of any shift, and a day later, the pole barn is emptied. They also sold queen bees and associated supplies.

IF YOU HAVE A HONEYBEE SWARM

Don't spray with insecticide. Go to michiganbees.org for the Michigan Beekeepers Association, and under the "Swarm removal" tab, click "swarm removal map." It's likely that Dick and Carole Beauchamp are the closest to anyone near the tri-county area. You can also call them at (810) 730-5922. Dick Beauchamp said the hive they purchased will take more than a year to grow into two hives — and will require a strong season and the hive will have to survive next winter. "It's tough going into the winter with only one, because you don't know if it's going to make it," he said.

He's hoping to pick up a swarm or two this season. A swarm occurs when half a hive leaves the hive to find another place to build, because the population has grown too dense.

He said it looks like a clump of grapes in a tree. It's important that if you see a swarm of honeybees, to report it so it can be salvaged because this year, every hive counts.

Most fruits and vegetables, and anything with a bloom require bees to be pollinated. "If you lose the bees you lose 40 percent of your crops," said Beauchamp.

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SPORTS

Who was the first individual to run the mile in under four minutes?

England's Roger Bannister did it on May 6, 1954, posting a time of 3:59.4. A crowd of about 3,000 came to witness his performance.

DAVID'S DABBLINGS

A long time ago, I learned it did me no good to watch the National Football League draft.

I'll check the results later in the night, but to just sit there and see how the selections (particularly the Lions' selections) unfold can drive you batty.

I am glad I didn't watch last night's opening round of the draft. Instead, I just popped on the draft coverage around 10:30 p.m., looked to see who the Lions selected and then changed the station.

I wasn't a happy camper to see who the Lions selected. With all of their deficiencies on defense, it made little sense to me to select Eric Ebron, a tight end with the 10th pick of the draft. However, I wasn't shocked either. His selection was one of two or three that most expected.

I don't know if Ebron will become a superstar, an average player or a complete bust, so maybe being upset with the pick is premature. However, it seems I can name about 10 times in the last 12 or so years where I had this feeling 15 hours after the first selection. And in most cases, my gut reaction was right in those years as well.



Eagles split with Bronchos in key Metro twinbill

► Linden remains in three-way tie for first place in league race

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 Fenton — Jacob Marshall hasn't had much of a chance to pitch this year for the Linden varsity baseball team.

Due to rain outs and the Eagles playing only 12 games so far this season, there hasn't been much reason for Linden coach Steve Buerkel to start anyone beyond his main two starters for most of the season.

But on Thursday, Marshall got his chance and made the most of it.

Marshall took just 71 pitches to lead the Eagles to a 5-0 victory against Holly in the opening game of a doubleheader on Thursday. However, the Bronchos bounced back, earning a 5-2 victory in the nightcap.

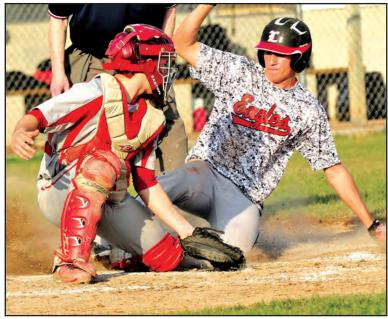
"My team really backed me up," Marshall said. "I was pitching to contact. I had a few strike outs, but for the most part my defense backed me up. I was getting ground balls, keeping it in the zone and not making them chase it too much."

Buerkel was pleased with his hurler.

"I was happy he got an oppor-tunity to pitch," Buerkel said. "Marshael (Ryan) and Austin (Buerkel) have been our pitchers, but Jake is right there with them. With Austin throwing nine innings on Monday, it was an opportunity to show what Jake can do.

"I brought him up as a sophomore last year and he won the Greater Flint game against Powers, and pitched in our regional game. That's how much confidence I have in him. He pounds the strike zone."

Marshall allowed just four hits and struck out three. He also walked just one batter. Mean-



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I MARK BOLEN Linden's Jacob Klosek slides safely into home plate during the Eagles' split with Holly on Thursday. The Holly catcher is Chet Wyant. Linden won the first game 5-0, but the Bronchos won the second 5-2.

while, Linden did just enough offensively to get the win. Linden scored single runs in the first, second and fifth innings, and added two more in the sixth.

The only Linden RBIs were an RBI-ground out by Travis Petts in the first and an RBI-single by Kevin Bates in the sixth.

See EAGLES on 19A



Blue Devils suffer first defeat of season in split vs. Goodrich

By David Troppens dtroppens@tctimes.com;

Lake Fenton — The good news is the Lake Fenton softball team upped its season-long win streak to 11 games in a 5-2 victory against Goodrich on Thursday.

The bad news is the Martians ended the win streak in the second game

TRI-COUNTY TIMES I DAVID TROPPENS -

Lake Fenton's Kim Roe tossed a five-hitter, helping lead the Blue Devils to a 5-2 victory in the opening game of a doubleheader against Goodrich on Thursday.

of the twinbill, beating Lake Fenton 9-5.

In the opener, Lake Fenton (9-1, 11-1) always led, scoring two runs in the second inning with the aid of two Goodrich errors. The only hit in the inning for Lake Fenton was a Melody Draeger double. In the fourth, winning pitcher Kim Roe hit a two-run home run, raising the gap to 4-0. Goodrich responded with a two-run homer in the fitth, but Allison Petts had an RBI-single in the bottom of the fifth, raising the gap to 5-2. Roe tossed a five-hitter,

striking out 10, earning the win.

In the nightcap, Goodrich scored six runs in the first inning and never trailed. Lake Fenton's Taylor Sheyachich had three hits to pace the offense, See DEVILS on 18A



Fenton girls track ends Metro dual season perfect

By David Troppens

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The Fenton girls track team hasn't won the Flint Metro League title since the 2003-04 school year.

But when the Metro squads meet up for the Metro Meet on May 21, the Tigers will be the favorites to capture their first crown in 10 years.

That's because Fenton enters the meet in first place after defeating Brandon and Clio in dual action Wednesday. Fenton beat Brandon 88-44 and defeated Clio 116-16 to cap the dual portion of the Metro season a perfect 8-0.

Brandon, who finished the dual portion at 7-1, was expected to be the Tigers' biggest competition of the season so far, but Fenton dominated them in the dual meet.

"We talked about having the chance to go undefeated and what it would take and the girls were willing to work hard to achieve the goal," Fenton coach Todd Mills said.

The Tigers left the event with 11 overall firsts. Senior distance runner Torrey Christopher had a particularly strong showing, taking part in three firsts. She was a member of the winning 3,200 relay team along with Emily Bemis, Keiser and Mackenzie Figueroa, (10:30.76) and was also the victor in both individual distance events. She posted a time of 12:22.40 in the 3,200 and a time of 5:38.08 in the 1,600.

Sprinter Ellen Sage also had a strong day, earning individual firsts in all four of her events. She teamed with Kayla Knitter, Kayla Stiles, and Tori Chapin to win the 400 relay (52.84), and with Bemis, Hannah Sage and Stiles to win the 800 relay (1:49.19). Individually, she won the 100 (12.788) and the high jump (5-0).

Other individual firsts were earned by Bemis in the 400 (1:04.05), Hannah Sage in the 200 (27.50), Keiser in the 800 (2:35.08) and Tatyana Mitchell in the shot put (30-2).

If the Tigers win the league meet, they win the title outright. If they take second, they can do no worse than earn a co-title.

"Now we are talking about what it's going to take to win at the league meet," Mills said. "We don't take anything for granted, a few missed steps here and there and the outcome could have been a lot different (on Wednesday). It's been a long time since we had this type of season, and we are really excited about how things have gone. We have a lot of key people running big time for us right now, and I think we have not reached our full potential yet."



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Fenton's Tori Chapin (above) does one of her attempts with the pole vault on Wednesday. (Right) Fenton's Torrey Christopher and Jenna Keiser were part of the team's winning 3,200 relay team.

Fenton boys vs. Clio, Brandon

The Fenton boys (4-4) used depth to defeat Brandon and Clio. The Fenton boys beat Clio 75-57 and beat Brandon 78-54.

Fenton won just three individual events and one relay. Matt Donar took the top spot in the 100 dash (12.38), while Matt Cubr won the high jump (5-8). Finally, Jacob Lee won the 3,200 run. The 400 relay team also took a first (46.62).



Holly boys remain undefeated entering league meet

By David Troppens dtroppens@tctimes.com

The Holly varsity boys track team will be headed to the Metro meet with the best chance of being champions this season.

That's because the Bronchos capped a perfect dual season by defeating Lapeer West 110-22 and Lapeer East 91-45 on Wednesday night.

The Bronchos, who shared the crown with Linden last year, took home 11 overall firsts at the meet. The Bronchos cruised to the firsts without having any person win more than one individual event.

In the field events, Dakota Thorington won the discus (125-0), while Benjamin Konopitski won the shot put (43-0). Evan Renusch also earned the top spot in the high jump (5-8). On the track, Dillon Lemond was the victor in the 1,600 (4:35.00), D'Anthony Austin in the 200 See **HOLLY** on 18A

Linden girls sweep final Metro duals of the season; boys split

By David Troppens

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The Linden girls track team is headed into the Flint Metro League meet on the right foot as the Eagles crushed Swartz Creek and Kearsley in dual action on Wednesday.

The Eagles took 12 overall firsts and defeated Creek 97-40 and beat Kearsley 109-23.

Sydney Elmer and Rebecca McDonald led the Eagles, each taking part in three firsts. Individually, Elmer won the 1,600 (5:49.7) to win the 3,200 (11:47.0), while teaming with Maya Gossett, Courtney Davis and Savannah Ferrara (11:17.6) in the 3,200 relay. Meanwhile, McDonald won the 100 hurdles (16.4), the long jump (14-10 3/4) and teamed with Miranda Greene, Samantha Greene and Jordannah Martinsen to win the 400 relay (52.7).

Three others won individual events for Linden. They were Alexis Brandt in the pole vault (8-0), Breyanna Tunipseed in the 300 hurdles (51.3), and Miranda Greene in the 200 (28.1). The 1,600 relay team of Martinsen, Jordan Gunderson, Bella Blank and Brandt also won (4:34.0).

Linden enters the league meet in third place at 6-2.

"I like the way our runners have improved throughout the season," Linden coach Dave Elmer said. "I am excited to see if we can give Fenton a challenge at the league meet. We have a few girls



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I KLARI FREDERICK Linden's Sydney Elmer(left) and Savannah Ferrara were part of the Eagles' 3,200 relay team on Wednesday.

with some minor injuries that we are trying to heal. If everything is healthy, we should be pretty good."

Linden boys vs. Kearsley, Creek Linden will be entering the Metro

meet in third place after beating Swartz Creek 72-65, but losing to Kearsley 77.5-59.5.

Linden had four overall firsts in the See LINDEN on 19A

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GOLF

Swartz Creek 158, Holly 178: The Bronchos were paced by Kyle Pepper's 42, while Will Moller carded a 44. Parker Rowse shot a 45 and Mitchell Hughes had a 47. Swartz Creek's Mike Kelley and Jack Weller shot 38s.

Fenton JV golf 180, Swartz

Creek 191: The Tigers' JV team remained undefeated with the victory against Creek. Lincoln Heaphy was the match medalist with a 39. The Tigers also beat Linden earlier in the week. Mike Fabatz was medalist in that match with a 42. SOCCER

► Lake Fenton 5, Byron 0: The Blue Devils got three goals from Jordan Newman and one each from Kurstin Porritt and Ashlyn Skidmore, leading Lake Fenton (6-0, 6-0-2) to the GAC victory. Kaitlyn Belgley, Miranda Quick and Skidmore had assists. In net, Missy Eggleston and Emily Moore combined for the shutout.

Linden 1, Saginaw Heritage

1: The Eagles got a goal from Katie Wilkowski, resulting in the non-league draw.

SOFTBALL

Fenton vs. Powers: The Tigers swept Powers 9-5 and 4-0.

In the opener, Ellie Cowger tossed a three-hitter over five innings, earning the complete-game victory. The game was shortened to five innings due to rain.

Offensively, Emma Brant had two hits and an ABI, while Brenna Hatch had a triple.

In the first game, Katey Cairnduff had three hits (double) and two RBI. Cowger had two hits (triple), two runs scored, two RBI and two stolen bases, while Hatch and Macie Keller had two hits each. Cowger was the winning pitcher in the opener as well, tossing a six-hitter and walking just one.

Linden vs. Holly: The Eagles and Bronchos split a twinbill, with Holly winning the first game 12-4 and Linden winning the second 13-3.

Megan Klavitter led Linden with three this and three runs scored while Sterling DeGayner had a triple, a single and drove in three runs. Alexa Marsh was the winning pitcher in the second game.

No information was available about Holly's players. BASEBALL

► Linden JV vs. Holly: The Eagles swept the twinbill by beating Holly 11-0 and 2-1.

In the opening game, Sawyer Benge had two hits and four RBI for Linden. Trey Link also had three RBI. Chris Kitch tossed the five-inning complete game, allowing just two hits. Conner Graebner and Zack Caldwell had hits for Holly.

In the second game, Cole Sarkon, Bailey Davis, Kitch, Aaron Sarkon and Nick Rossow had a hit each, with Sarkon's being a walk-off RBI-single to end the game. Aaron was the winning pitcher, tossing a five-inning no-hitter. He struck out two batters. BASEBALL

► Fenton 8, Brandon 0: The Tigers won all eight matches in straight sets against Brandon.

In singles action, Madison Ballard (No. 1), Sydney Phipps (No. 2), Josie Foguth (No. 3) and Corinne Beemer

(No. 4) won matches. In doubles action the winners were Ashley Bearden and Hannah Horton (No. 1), Sylee Kiran and Abby Rachor (No. 2), Katie Kurncz and Kendra Praedel (No. 3) and Rachel Anderson and Kate Lewandowski (No. 4).

LF girls sweep GAC foes; boys earn split results

By David Troppens

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In a track meet, relays make up only four of the events.

But it was those four events that helped lead the Lake Fenton girls track team by Montrose and Durand on Tuesday.

The Blue Devils won all four relay events, earning a 69-61 victory against Durand and an 88-26 victory against Montrose.

Laura Carlson played a big role in the victory as well. Carlson won two individual events, taking first in the 1,600 with a personal-best time of 6:08.22. She also took the top spot in the 3,200 (4:07.93). She also earned a key first against Durand in the 800 (2:58.69).

Carlson was on one of the winning relays as well. She teamed with Sophia Sahouri, Lyndsey Burrough and Rachel Herman to win the 3,200 relay (12:27.74).

The sprint relays were strong. Reagan Goupil, Rosalyn Symons, Sophie Hasler and Ryanna Thomas took a first in the 800 relay (2:07.26), while the 400 relay squad of Symons, Hasler, Taylor Palmatier and Thomas also won (59.26).

Finally, the 1,600 relay team of Burrough, Abby Smith, Goupil and Sahouri capped the meet with a first (5:08.24).

The final overall first earned by Lake Fenton was posted by Symons in the long jump. She posted a leap of 12-2. Lake Fenton boys vs. Montrose,

Durand

The Lake Fenton boys defeated Mon-

trose 94-36, but were unable to defeat Durand, losing 78.5-57.5.

The Blue Devils took the top spot overall in four events. Neil Allor took part in three of them. He won the 400 dash (52.46) individually and was part of two winning relays. The 3,200 relay of Caleb Fletcher, Jacob Fletcher, Chase Hanson and Allor won, as did the 1,600 relay team of Mitchell Bollinger, Fletcher, Hunter Corcoran and Allor (3:44.47).

The final overall first was earned by Tim Symons in the 300 hurdles with a time of 43.6 seconds.

Lake Fenton track vs. Goodrich

The Lake Fenton boys defeated Goodrich 80-60, while the girls suffered a 92-42 defeat.

The lady Blue Devils had three individual first-place performances during the day. Sophie Hasler won the 200 (29.42), while Reagan Goupil won the high jump (4-2). Jordan Newman took the top spot in the long jump (14-3 3/8).

"Despite the loss, the team continued to improve," Lake Fenton girls coach Eric Meyers said. "We had 15 individuals and relays set personal records in their respective events."

Some of those personal bests included Hasler running a 13.63 in the 100, Rosalyn Simons tossing the shot put 25-feet-6, and her earning a long jump of 13-feet-2 1/4. Taylor Palmatier had a shot put throw of 24-5 and a discus throw of 50-5.

The boys individual results were presented by deadline.

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Lake Fenton's Caleb Fletcher was a member of the Blue Devils' winning 3,200 and 1,600 relay teams against

DEVILS **Continued from Page 16A** while Roe, Draeger, Alexis Melton and Sidney Christianson had two hits each. Christiansen had a two-run single.

Montrose and Durand on Tuesday.

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Mandy Rosol hit a two-run double in the top of the first to help lead Goodrich to the early lead. She also hit a home run in the fifth inning.

Roe took the loss on the mound, while Sydney Sheyachich relieved and tossed three innings of one-run ball.

HOLLY

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(23.91), Vincent Cantu in the 800 (2:11.0) and Antonio Wells in the 400 (52.21). The Holly relays earning firsts were the 1,600 relay (3:41.50), the 800 relay (1:36.00) and the 3,200 relay (8:51.00).

Holly girls track vs. Lapeer East, Lapeer West

The Holly girls ended the dual portion of the Metro season on a positive, defeating Lapeer East 87-50 and Lapeer West 96.5-40.5.

Madeline Gross was the top Holly victor, taking the top spot in three individual events. She won the pole vault, the long jump and the 200 dash (28.49).

Other individual winners were Emily Alvarado in the discus (102-2), Allyssa Copley in the shot put (35-9), Lauren Fultz in the high jump (4-8), Emily Tschirhart in the 100 hurdles (18:32.0) and Abby Lewandowski in the 800 (2:40.92).



Nine Holly athletes headed to collegiate level in the fall

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 When one looks at Holly's 2013-14 athletic school year, it's easy to see a lot of team success.

The Bronchos won league titles in boys tennis and boys cross country in the fall and followed that up with titles in girls basketball and boys basketball. And in many other sports, the Bronchos enjoy high placings, putting them in third in the Metro's All-Sports Trophy competition entering the spring season. In fact, their winter season was the best of any of the Metro schools.

So it shouldn't come as a shock that some of these athletes that made these seasons possible are headed to the next level to play collegiate athletics in the fall.

At least nine are, and those players were honored during a recent assembly at Holly High School.

One of them is going to play women's basketball at a Division 1 school (Allyssa Copley to Cleveland State), and three of them are going to Siena Heights to compete in different sports. Two are headed to Rochester College with one expecting to compete on a program that competes at the national level and the other on a newly established team next year.

Going to Siena Heights is soccer player Megan Kennedy, dancer Lauren Fultz and track and cross country runner Vincent Cantu.

Cantu exploded on the cross country scene in the fall, leading the Holly boys squad to a Metro League title and a trip to the state meet. Cantu earned All-State status by taking 19th at the state meet.

EAGLES

Continued from Page 16A However, thinking they

probably needed a sweep to stay in first, the Eagles (7-3, 9-3) committed six errors in the second game, resulting in the 5-2 loss.

The big inning for Holly was a four-run fifth. During the stanza, Linden had three errors. The rally started with Noah Apfel reaching base on an error. Masen Syjud followed with a single and Adam Tooley reached on an error, plating the first run. The big shot of the inning was Joel Perry's two-run double.

Thursday. The two teams split a doubleheader. Perry eventually scored on Tom O'Connor's RBIsingle as well. It put Holly up 5-2, after entering the inning trailing 2-1.

We rallied there with a couple of kids that don't play much," Holly coach Benny Jackson said. "It was good to come back like that against them. In the first game, our energy wasn't there. We were a little flat. But they are a good team."

Drew Eggleston got the victory on the mound, for Holly (6-5, 10-7), allowing five hits and two hit batters,

LINDEN

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competitive three-team meet.

Kyle Frederick earned a first in the long jump (21-5), while Dave Doyle won the 1,600 (4:46.9). Jeremiah Gossett took the

"I have to give it to my coaches," Cantu said. "They pushed me to my full potential to make the runner I am today, and the person I am today as well. I can't wait."

Fultz will compete with Siena's dance team, a squad that placed fifth at the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Invitational last year.

"I contacted the coach and she really wanted me on her dance team," Fultz said. "I talked to her, went on college day and got a presidential scholarship along with an athletic scholarship. I didn't think I was (going to be on a dance team in college) until this year, so I was surprised."

William Moller will play golf at Rochester College. The program placed third at the United States Collegiate Athletic Association National Tournament last fall. Currently, he's helped put the Bronchos in the top half of the Metro standings.

"It means a lot to me because that's what I wanted to do," Moller said. "I know they won back-to-back national championships, so that was nice to me. I want to get one of those one day."

The Warriors won those national titles in 2008-09 and in 2009-10.

While men's golf is well established at Rochester College, women's bowling is just starting its history next school year. And Heidi Martin will be part of that team. Martin holds a 186 average, and had a high game of 278 last winter.

"It means a lot. It's awesome to know I can bowl with a team still and not just in side tournaments," Martin said. "I get to be part of something bigger. I don't know



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The nine senior athletes who took part in a recent signing day were (from left starting with the front row) Megan Kennedy, Katie Ordiway, Lauren Fultz, Heidi Martin, Vincent Cantu, Joel Perry, Allyssa Copley, Jeff Sophiea, William Moller

where it will take me yet, but I'm excited."

Jeff Sophiea was an All-State tennis player for the Bronchos' Metro League title team in the fall. Sophiea is headed to Adrian College to continue his career.

"During my senior year I decided since I played so much and put so much into (tennis), I wanted to continue to play," Sophiea said. "I was looking at some D2 schools, but D3 stuck to me because there was more flexibility."

Katie Ordiway wasn't thinking much about playing college softball until her travel team, the North Oakland Stingers, competed at Olivet College in a tournament. While there, the coaching staff liked what they saw from Ordiway.

"It's really crazy because not everyone gets this opportunity, and that's why I want to do it," Ordiway said. "It's fun when people ask you where you are going to college and I can say I'm playing softball too. That's pretty cool."

Finally, pitcher Joel Perry has proven his dominance on the mound for the Bronchos. Next year he expects to do the same for either Daytona State College, Ohio University, Wayne State and Western Michigan. Daytona State College and Ohio University have already given him offers.

"I'm super excited to start my college career," Perry said. I'm excited for the changes."

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Linden's Hunter Luchenbill makes a tough catch during the Eagles' second-game loss to Holly on

while striking out seven.

The Eagles scored a single run in the second and another run in the fourth, but left many key runners on base, including a runner on third with no out in the fifth.

Ryan was the losing pitcher, suffering from the poor defense behind him in the contest. However, the Eagles still remain in the race.

"We knew this was going to be one of the harder teams," Marshall said. "We definitely remain confident. We are in it."

top spot in the 3,200 (10:26.8), while Justin McKenzie continued his dominance in the pole vault with another victory (14-0).

"I would like to think if we are healthy and perform well, we have a chance to do really good at the FML meet," Linden coach Nick Douglass said.



Meet Helga

- Native of Vienna, Austria
- Avid cook
- Gardener
- Elvis fan

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

Helga Ort, 65, moved to the U.S. with her dad, a military man, when she was 7 years old. She has lived all over the world, from Germany to France and Italy, as well as U.S. states from Georgia to Virginia and Texas. She has lived in Michigan in the same house in Argentine Township since 1974, where she has raised three children, including a set of twins, Shelley and Ken, 42. Married and divorced to the same man twice, she has been single for 10 years. Her son, Steve, 45, a stroke victim, now lives with her and helps take care of their one-acre yard and gardens.



"I've got 89 different varieties of irises, 39 different kinds of hostas and **16 different day** lilies." Helga Ort Argentine Township resident

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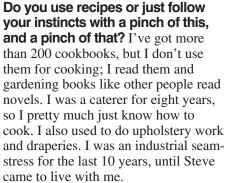
tic cook. What is your favorite dish?

Hungarian Goulash, but it's nothing

over 125 videos of him in concert.

TRI-COUNTY TIMES SALLY RUMMEL Helga Ort spends most of her days outdoors gardening, when the weather is nice. "Every single plant or grass in this yard, I've planted," she said. "When we bought the house 40 years ago, all that was in the yard were two cement blocks."

like you've ever had here in the states. I cube beef and sauté onions, then add ¹/₄ cup of paprika, plus marjoram and thyme. I serve it over 'knoedels,' sort of like 'bread balls.' It's my grandson, Chase's, favorite dish. I also make Wiener schnitzel.



Your gardens look like they'll be beautiful in bloom. What are your favorite flowers? I actually collect different flowers and plants. I've got 89 different varieties of irises, 39 different kinds of hostas and 16 different day lilies, plus many perennials. I'm really itching to get out there in the garden. My passion is being in the dirt. Everything is so far behind.

How do you like the U.S. compared to Austria? I miss being there, but I couldn't live there after being here, because of the space. Most people in Austria live in an apartment or a tiny little house that costs about \$350,000. It's very expensive to live large over there. But when I step off the plane in Vienna and my feet touch the ground, I get a whole different feeling. I usually stay with my sister or my nieces and nephews when I visit. I try to go back often, but it's hard. I haven't been back since 2006.

Now that you're retired, how do you keep busy? There's always so much to do, so much to learn. I've never understood it when people say they're bored. There's a whole big world out there, and so many things to do. Did I tell you I also love to paint and draw?



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MOMS

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"We didn't want to put her in day care," said Woodruff, also the stepmom of Eric, 22 and Sarah, 23. "We decided it was better for me to be at home, so I could be active with Grace at school, on field trips, etc. I would do it all the same way again."

These local women are two of a growing number of mothers who are now using their skills at home to raise their families. The share of mothers who don't work outside the home has risen over the past decade, reversing a long-term decline in stay-athome mothers, according to Pew Research Center. In the U.S. today, 71 percent of all mothers work outside the home.

Keech, 38, was a teacher at Orion Oaks Elementary School in Lake Orion for nine years, before her last maternity leave when daughter Josie, now 18 months, was born, bringing her home as a fulltime mom. "When I was on maternity

then 18 months old, was diagnosed with leukemia," said Keech. "That's when I officially resigned from my teaching position."

clear when Phoebe was diagnosed."

"event-free survival," which means that after five years of being cancer-free, she will have an 85 percent chance of not

The Keechs have three other daughters, Vivian, 4, Grace, 7¹/₂ and Cecelia, 9, who attend Linden schools. Tom works many hours as sales manager for Suburban Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram in Troy, taking some of the financial stress off this now one-income family.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SUBMITTED PHOTO Colleen Woodruff enjoys field trips with daughter Grace, who is a fourth-grader at North Road Elementary in Fenton.

For the Woodruff family, one income means fewer "toys" like campers and snowmobiles, but the financial sacrifices have been worth it.

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Keech admits that society seems to value a teacher more than a stay-at-home mom, but she wouldn't change her decision for anything. With five daughters under 9, she admits to missing the "quiet time" she used to enjoy on her drive to and from Lake Orion, but she has found her purpose.

Her experiences with Phoebe at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor have taught her that she has a heart for all children, not just her own. She volunteers on two committees for the hospital, preparing her, she hopes, for a position there sometime where she can work with kids in a position of advocacy — whether as a volunteer or a paid position. "I want to teach kids how to navigate life for themselves," she said.

For now, she revels in the joy of a busy, happy, healthy family.

TRENDS OF STAY-AT-HOME MOMS IN 2014

• More moms are staying at home in 2014, reversing a decade's decline in the percentage of stay-at-home mothers.

• Two-thirds are "traditional" married stayat-home mothers with working husbands, but a growing share are unmarried.

• Opinions vary by religion, ethnicity and education. Hispanics, white evangelical Protestants and those who never attended college are more likely to say children are better off with a parent at home. Collegeeducated women are among the most likely to say children are just as well off if both parents work outside the home.

• Stay-at-home moms tend to be younger, poorer and less educated than their working counterparts are. For example, 34 percent of stay-at-home mothers are poor, compared with 12 percent of working mothers. They are also less likely to be white and more likely to be immigrants.

• Home by choice or necessity? Married stayat-home mothers with working husbands are more likely than single or cohabitating mothers to say caring for family is their primary reason for being home. Single and cohabiting stay-at-home mothers are more likely than married stay-at-home mothers with working husbands to say they are ill or disabled, unable to find a job, or enrolled in school. Overall, a growing share of stay-at-home mothers say they are home because they can't find a job. • How stay-at-home and working moms spend their time: Mothers who aren't working for pay spend more time, on average, on childcare and housework than working mothers do, but they also have more time for leisure and sleep.

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leave for Josie, our daughter, Phoebe,

She realized at that point that she couldn't be both a great teacher and a great mom, especially with a young daughter at home who had a serious health battle to fight. "I had to pick one, and I chose to be a great mom. It was crystal

Now age 3, Phoebe has the status of relapsing.





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By Sally Rummel

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She eats right, she works out and takes care of herself every day. She wants her face to reflect this same youthful vitality that the rest of her body shows.

That's why one local 69-year-old woman, who asked to remain anonymous, is in the pre-op area of the Skin and Vein Center in Fenton for "The Hour Lift," a mini-facelift procedure that's becoming more and more popular.

'We've been doing these for about 15 years, but they've become much more mainstream now since makeover shows on TV began to glamorize them about 10 years ago," said Dr. Eric Seiger, board certified dermatologist and cosmetic surgeon. "It's not a 'taboo' thing anymore."

Dr. Seiger estimates he has done between 2,500 and 3,000 of these procedures, on women as young as 24 and for a couple who was each 86 years old. "I'd say the median age for this surgery is about 58, and 95 percent of my patients are women. The results will last between five and 10 years, depending upon the patient."

The difference between The Hour Lift and a regular facelift is that The Hour Lift involves cutting the skin and tightening the facial muscles, rather than moving the facial muscles. The areas primarily improved by a facelift are the jowls, cheeks and neck. There's a huge difference in recovery time and price. "It's the difference between a three-day recovery and a two-week commitment," said Dr. Seiger.

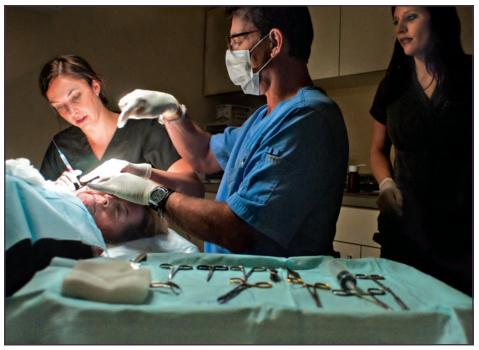
The price is also a huge factor in a per-



son's decision to undergo this procedure. Dr. Seiger says he used to charge \$3,800, and he cut the price to \$2,900 when the economy changed a couple of years ago. A full facelift will cost between \$6,000 and \$15,000 — depending upon the scope of the procedure. These elective cosmetic procedures are not covered by insurance.

"The number one thing that patients say to me is, 'I don't want to look 20 years old again. I just want to look in the mirror and be able to look as good as I feel inside. I want to feel refreshed,"" said Dr. Seiger.

For the 69-year-old patient who was waiting for her procedure, The Hour Lift was not only for her own self-esteem, but also for her success in the business world. "A youthful appearance validates your professionalism," she said. "This is how we get measured for our success."



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO Debbie Purcell is prepped for a mini facelift, at the Skin and Vein Center in Fenton. Dr. Eric Seiger is assisted by Dr. Kate Johnson and nurse Amy Sowers.



Thinking about having 'The Hour Lift'?

Here's what to expect:

Q: What happens before the procedure?

A: Prior to surgery, you may be given a medication to help you relax. Local anesthesia is then administered to minimize discomfort.

Q: How long does the

procedure take? A: One to 11/2 hours.

Q: What actually happens during the "One Hour Lift"?

A: A short incision is made in front of the ear. The surgeon gently lifts the tissues under the skin, removing any extra skin. The surgeon re-drapes the overlying skin, leaving the patient wrinkle-free with a firmer, more youthful jaw line.

Q: What can I expect during recovery?

A: Post surgery, patients wear an ice-containing

head garment for 24-48 hours. They are likely able to shampoo and wear make-up the day after surgery. Sutures will be removed in six to eight days, resuming normal activities within three days.

Q: Does it hurt? Will I bruise or swell?

A: Approximately 85 percent of patients experience no bruising. There is minimal pain, controlled with oral medication.

Q: How long will the results last?

A: Look five to 10 years younger, with results lasting usually five to 10 years.

Q: Can I talk to anyone who has had the procedure?

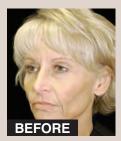
A: The Skin and Vein Center can arrange for a contact with someone who has had the procedure and agrees to speak to prospective patients.

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than \$18 billion for the state in 2013 and

camping is certainly one of the biggest

aspects of Michigan summer recreation.

any new hobby, camping can be easily affordable if you know where to look.

While money is a typical issue for

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sales popping up (check the

Times classifieds, there's

bound to be one going on

right now) and consignment

shops around the tri-county

area, finding the right gear

for camping expeditions

TECHNOLOGY AND Hi-tech gear getting lukewarm reviews

Summary

Even with the nu-

merous advance-

ments in technolo-

gy, camping hasn't

changed much.

By William Axford

axford@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 From recreational vehicles to GPS and waterproof backpacks, preparing for a camping trip can quickly become a dizzying endeavor. But are all those extra

fringes, like portable phone chargers and inflatable tents, really necessary to experi-

ence the great outdoors this summer? "I don't know what any-

one would buy that's extra," said Jim Case, unit manager at Seven Lakes State Park. "I recommend people just buy the essentials and the basics, just to see if they like camping.'

The essentials of camping for Case include a tent,

sleeping bag and maybe a gas cook stove. Beyond that, extra gear like electronics or hand-cranked blenders changes the meaning of camping. Tourism is big business for Michigan, generating more



A JOB WELL DOOR TO



"We get a lot of vintage camping stuff like cots and old army tents. Camping gear starts coming in April and goes through November."

For people looking for older camping gear or specific items that are hard to find in other stores, Gay said customers can create See CAMPING on 7B

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Senate Bill 776: State Police Budget with \$32 million increase. The Senate version of the State Police budget for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1, 2014. This would appropriate \$638.5 million in gross spending (of which \$99.4 million is federal revenue), compared to \$606.8 million the previous year (an amount that included \$16 million for police radios and which is now included in a different budget)

Passed 38 to 0 in the Senate Sen. Jim Ananich D-Genesee County: XYES 🗆 NO

State Sen. Dave Robertson R-Genesee County:

🗙 YES 🗆 NO

Senate Bill 774: DNR budget with \$40 million increase. The Senate version of the Department of Natural Resources and Environment budget for the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1, 2014. This would appropriate \$382.9 million in gross spending, compared to \$342.9 million, which was the FY 2012-2013 amount enrolled in 2012. Of this, \$67.9 million is federal money, and the rest is from state taxes, fees, fines, royalties, etc. The large spending increase comes after a large hunting and fishing license fee increase was enacted in 2013.

Passed 34 to 4 in the Senate Sen. Jim Ananich D-Genesee County: 🗙 YES 🗆 NO

State Sen. Dave Robertson R-Genesee County:

🗙 YES 🗆 NO

House Bill 5217: Limit liability of employer for ex-con worker with "certificate of employability."

To limit the liability of employers in personal injury, property damage and wrongful death lawsuits arising from the actions of an employee who is an ex-convict hired after the individual was granted a "certificate of employability" by the state Department of Corrections, as proposed by House Bill 5216

Passed 65 to 45 in the House Rep. Joe Graves R-Argentine Twp.: ¥YES □NO

HOT LINE CONTINUED

IT AMAZES ME how so many 'patriots' are so ignorant when it comes to the issue of free speech. We are protected from government prosecution, not social or employment sanctions. You have the right to say something stupid and I have the right to tell you that it is stupid.

THESE ONGOING COMMENTS on 'welfare' make me wonder. If welfare checks/ programs are so easy, generous and great, why don't those complaining get on them instead? Are you jealous? And what's more, how much actually comes out of your paycheck to pay for them 20, 10, or .001 percent? I'd really like to know.

SEPARATE ORDINANCES FOR gays? It would be the same logic as separate laws for battered spouses, blacks, children or any other demographic group that is already protected. Utter nonsense.





Grace for mothers and others

One of the most unforgettable calls I have ever received came from a woman I had never met. Her son at age 27 had died in prison of Leukemia only a few months before he was to be released; a sad enough tale in itself, but that was only the tragic end of her story.

At 15 and intoxicated, my caller's son had ended the life of his 18-yearold girlfriend. As a result, he became the first 15-year-old in that state to be tried, convicted and sentenced as an adult, resulting in a 30-year prison term. Later, however, due to his exemplary conduct and educational achievements while in prison, he would have been paroled after 12 years. Then Leukemia overruled the parole board, preventing this grieving mother from bringing her son home alive.

'How did you survive?' I asked. 'By the grace of God,' she replied.

My caller that day wasn't the first mother to have needed the grace of God to make it through a severe trial brought on by one of her children.

John Newton, whose father ran a bar, brought great grief to his mother, a devout woman of faith. Regardless of the bad reports, she kept praying for him. John had left his home in England while very young, choosing the life of a sailor. And the news that floated home about him wasn't good. He had fallen into such a vile lifestyle that the 'saved a wretch like me' line in the first stanza of the hymn he later wrote is understandable.

John Newton traveled far but was never beyond the reach of his mother's prayers. Then one day, during a storm at sea that he thought would end his life, John remembered the faith of his mother and trusted her Lord as his own.

After surviving the storm, John began to study the Bible and at 39, he was ordained to the ministry in the little village of Olney, near Cambridge, England. His mother's prayers had finally been answered.

Most of the congregational singing in Newton's day consisted of Psalms set to music. John discovered that simple heart-felt hymns added greater impact to his preaching and when enough hymns couldn't be found, he started writing his own. The most enduring of these has been 'Amazing Grace,' which is still a favorite of millions.

There are even 'Amazing Grace' groups that meet in prisons to talk about this old hymn and tell what it means to them, unaware that their favorite hymn is a washboard tune, born before it was written in the life of a praying mother during a tough time.

What's so amazing about grace? It is the vehicle of God's love that arrives at the door of the weak and undeserving offering forgiveness and new life. And it's still available to mothers and others like you and me.

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



Things to look for when buying a

Visit at various times of day

The windows that let in so much light during the day may be a peeping Tom's dream at night. That seemingly quiet residential street may be a noisy, highwayfeeder street during morning or evening rush hour; or it may be near impossible to get from your

quiet street across traffic and onto the feeder street in the morning. The adjacent school may seem like a nice perk if you're buying in the summer, but during the school year, daily playground noise and extra traffic may be more than you bargained for.

Don't judge a room by its paint job

When you step inside your prospective abode, focus on the structural stuff — aging appliances, loose wires — and tune out any freshly painted walls or upscale decor. The foundation will be there long after the paint has started chipping and you want that to be what lasts.



Decide on your dealbreakers

Aside from the basics like quality windows and countertops, think about the purpose of your home and the requirements for your lifestyle, like storage for a large book collection or a big backyard for barbecuing. It can also be smart to spring for a home with an extra bedroom if you're planning on kids or guests. And if your significant other is a night owl while you're a connoisseur of cat naps, it might be a good idea to look for a house with an entertainment area set far away from the master bedroom.



Recognize a roof in need of repair

Does the roof look relatively new or is it caving in? If the roof is eye-catching (as in, "My, look at that gaping hole"), chances are it could end up costing you. A newer roof, on the other hand, could mean a lower homeowners insurance rate.



Plumbing: what lies beneath

When you're poking around a new kitchen, don't stop at eye level — get underneath the sink and examine those pipes. Check for leaks, water damage, and mold. Not only is mold unsightly and foulsmelling, but it can also cause health problems.



Invest in a well-insulated house

Above all else, your home should be comfortable. Check the attic, water pipes, and heating ducts to make sure they're properly insulated. This can reduce heating and cooling costs and keep you comfortable in summer and winter.



Get your hands on everything

Turn on every faucet and light switch, open every window and door, flush the toilets, even taste the water. Buying a house is a big step and you need to know how everything works firsthand. That way, you can address problem areas and see if there's a cost-effective solution.



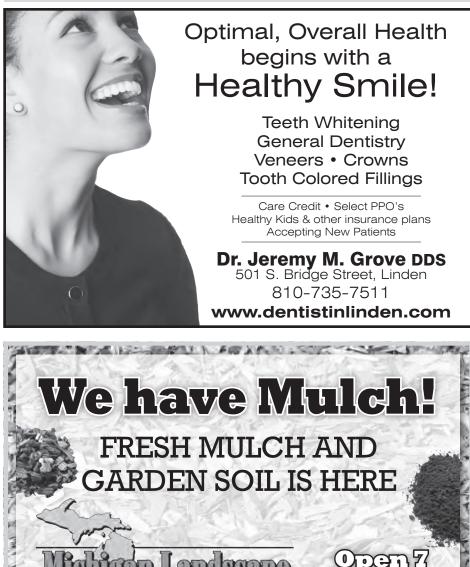
Take its temperature

When you're buying a house, keep in mind: if it looks rickety or old, it probably is. Heating and cooling systems are expensive to fix and replace, and inefficient ones can eat away at your utility bills. Make sure the furnace is up to date and in good repair.

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Best dogs and cats for the allergy-challenged pet owner

By Amy Mayhew

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 It's difficult to imagine being an animal lover and not be able to pet or cuddle a puppy or a kitten. But for millions of Americans, pet allergies are a real problem.

Most folks having pet allergies suffer from coughing and wheezing, red, itchy eyes, a runny, itchy and stuffy nose, and sneezing all caused by coming in contact with pet dander. Others also have to avoid receiving doggie or kitty kisses as the saliva will cause a breakout of the hives.

If you are one of the afflicted, forget about ditching your dream of being a pet owner — there are plenty of hypoallergenic breeds out there from which to choose.

DOGS *Poodle*

The poodle comes in three sizes standard, miniature and toy. They don't shed, but they do require a lot of grooming and care. They're smart and easy to train, but they can be a little yappy. Too prissy? Try a labradoodle. It's the poodle's coat on the body of a Lab.

Samoyed

No, it's not a giant cotton ball, but it sure looks like one. And it's probably hard to believe that the Samoyed doesn't have pet dander, but it's true. Sure, he'll shed a lot, but there won't be any dander. Laid back and playful, the Samoyed makes a wonderful family pet.

Chinese Crested

The best way to avoid dander-related allergies is to get a crazy-looking dog with very little hair. Choose a Chinese Crested, and you've got just that. They produce minimal dander, are a bit clingy, but very good with kids.

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The Cornish Rex may look a little creepy, but with just one layer of fur, he doesn't shed, and he's practically dander-free.

CATS Bengal

Bengal cats have crazy-fine pelts that require much less maintenance than other breeds. Bengals don't groom themselves as much, and as a result, don't have as much allergen-rich saliva in their fur. They don't shed much — or at least far less than other breeds. Whatever dander is present in their fur doesn't get spread around quite as much.

Cornish Rex

So he may look like a gargoyle, but having only one layer of fur — the wonderfully soft undercoat really cuts down on the shedding and dander. People with cat allergies suffer far less, if at all with a Cornish Rex. A cat's a cat, right?

Russian Blue

A more beautiful gray cat you'll never find, and to make it almost too good to be true, Russian Grays produce less of the glycoprotien Fel d 1, the very substance to which people are allergic. In other words, the Russian Gray is purrr-fect.

Holly students selected for summer programs

A few select Holly High School students will encounter a summer adventure they are soon not to forget. The highly motivated students have been selected to participate in different programs designed to educate them about life in public service.

Juniors John Creasey and Jacob Kusluski were chosen to represent Holly High School at the 75th session of the Michigan American Legion Boys State Program held at Northwood University in Midland June 15-21.

In addition, Courtney Babish, Zach-

ary Caldwell, Vanessa Cantu, and Jacob Kusluski were selected to attend the Michigan State Police Student Trooper Program held at the Michigan State Police Academy facility in Lansing. The program is designed to teach young students interested in a career in law enforcement the various aspects involved in the occupation.

The cost of the programs is funded by the Holly American Legion Post 149 and the support of the Career Center at Holly High School.



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Right to Farm updates cause confusion

Residents are encouraged to work with local municipalities

By William Axford

axford@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 "Michigan residents can no longer farm in their own backyards!"

"The common person can no longer raise

chickens or cows. This is an outrage!" If you've perused Facebook or other social media within the past week, you've no doubt come across people slamming modifications made by Michigan Commission of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) to the Generally Accepted Ag-

riculture Management Practices (GAAMP).

Part of the recommendation includes prohibition of raising farm animals in residential areas where local ordinances do not allow them. Many people interpreted this new clause as the state government outlawing people from raising farm animals.

"It's not restricting farming rights. GAAMP

are recommendations and the commission does not enforce farming laws," said Jennifer Holton, communication director for the MDARD. "I think there's some confusion as to what Right to Farm Act is. It really encourages folks to work with local municipalities."

The Right to Farm Act was created in 1981 and was aimed at protecting farmers as more people began to move into rural areas. Farmers are generally granted more protection if they follow the GAAMP. Holton said any rulings over farm animals are decided by judges and not state governmental entities.

Holton said the changes made to the GAAMP were made by the commission due to the rise of farming in urban areas, leading to increased conflict between municipalities and residents. Holton said the new rulings do not affect gardens and people who raise their own food for consumption, nor does it affect beekeepers since bees are not considered agricultural animals.

The city of Fenton is all too familiar with agricultural animals. In 2012, Malissa Bossardet and her daugh-

ter Olivia petitioned to

the Fenton City Council

to allow chickens to be

raised within city limits.

The council eventually

drafted an ordinance that

would allow homeown-

ers to raise three hens

for eggs but prohibited

animal within the city

of Fenton that raised

Another agricultural

The expansion of farming and animals in an urban area should be decided on what's best for the community.77 Jennifer Holton

Communications director for the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

eyebrows was Eli the potbellied pig. Owner Wolfgang Zientek keeps Eli as a therapy animal rather than for food or commercial use.

roosters.

Holton said those concerned about the new GAAMP standards are encouraged to call the state's agricultural department at 1-800-292-3939 or visit them at Michigan.gov/mdard.

"We encourage the growth of farming," Holton said. "Local communities can decide to keep agricultural animals."



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What's your most memorable camping experience?



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- Arleen Ellis Fenton Township



"I used to go camping with my family in Wolverine. It's just a yearly thing."

> Nathan Marcy Linden



"It was a nightmare. My senior year of high school we camped in Key West in a coral reef."

Third Place: "Traditional Master Suite"

Last year, Widing also earned six

awards, including five

homes on Silver Lake

and one in Commerce

on Silver Lake.

 Mattie Marcy Linden



"We camped in 40 states. Camping in the Smokey's, the water came down the mountain and into our tent."

— Steve Shaffer, Hollv



"We used to camp all the time as kids. We'd stay for a whole weekend and listen to music concerts in Willmore, Kentucky."

— Julie Burke, Gaines

"Probably camping on the streets of Mackinaw.

It was picturesque." — Lara Affrica

Fenton

Patrick Widing Custom Homes Wins six awards from Detroit Home magazine

By Sally Rummel

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 Patrick Widing has put the Fenton

area "on the map" when it comes to a standard of excellence in home con-

struction. He leads a team of architects, design-

ers and tradesmen in his 19-year-old company, Patrick Widing Custom Homes, which was recognized with six

awards by Detroit Home magazine on March 20 at the GM Heritage Center in Sterling Heights.

"I started entering this competition three years ago when I wanted to take my business to the next level," said Widing, a general contractor since 1995. "I wanted to see how well our homes would stack up against competition in a large, metro market like Detroit." Three of the winning homes are on Lake Fenton, two are on Silver Lake and another is in Commerce Township.

Widing believes that area lakes provide a unique opportunity to present a quality of home construction not always found in smaller communities. "There are a number of beautiful, detailed homes in this area," he said. "It takes the efforts of an entire team to take a homeowner's vision for their project and turn it into a finished home that exceeds their expectations. I surround myself with a team of professionals that can help me make this process happen."

The following awards were presented to Patrick Widing Custom Homes:

First Place: "Fireplace" on Lake Fenton and "Large Remodel" in Commerce Township.

L There are a number of beautiful, detailed homes in this area. 77 **Patrick Widing**

Patrick Widing Custom Homes

Township. Patrick Widing Custom Homes is located at 16185 Grandview Dr., Fenton, telephone (810) 750-8855. To view his

Second Place: "Kitchen under

200 Square Feet" and "Contemporary

Architecture," both on Lake Fenton

and "Powder Room" on Silver Lake.

work online, visit his website at: www. patrickwidingcustomhomes.com.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SUBMITTED PHOTO General contractor Patrick Widing sits amidst a backdrop of his own home's stone fireplace, which earned an award for his company in last year's Detroit Home magazine.



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TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Crew work full-bore on the asphalt outside the new memory care building at Vicinia Gardens off Owen Road in Fenton Township Thursday. The building has a grand opening on May 15.

Vicinia Gardens **Memory Care of Fenton**

To hold ribbon-cutting and open house Thursday

Vicinia Gardens Memory Care of Fenton will open its doors to the public this month. The community will celebrate its grand opening on Thursday, May 15, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony by the Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce at 2 p.m. followed by an open house until 7 p.m.

The public may tour the new stateof-the-art facility and sample hors d'oeuvres. Vicinia Gardens Memory Care is located at 4034 Vicinia Way on the southwest corner of Owen and Jennings roads in Fenton Township.

The memory care facility features 20 all-inclusive private suites specifically designed for patients diagnosed with memory loss, including dementia and Alzheimer's. The facility is part of the Vicinia Gardens senior living community in Fenton, which includes an assisted living facility that opened in July 2013.

Vicinia Gardens Memory Care offers activities that strive to provide a meaningful and enriching experience to each guest based on each resident's interests, talents and skill level. Enhancing their resident's lives is a commitment that Vicinia Gardens has a passion to meet.

Whether it's assistance with ADL (Activities of Daily Living) that include eating, bathing, dressing, toileting and

walking, access to on-site health and medical services (such as physical therapy and hospice), or around the clock care, their professionally trained staff is there to meet the needs of their residents.

Vicinia Gardens currently has 20 employees at their Assisted Living building next door and the Memory building will bring an additional 20 jobs to the community. Their plans include expanding their community with a 100-bed independent living facility.

Guests may also participate in a dementia virtual tour, a hands-on simulation that allows them to experience the physical and mental challenges similar to what those with memory loss experience. Due to limited availability for the tour, please sign up at the door for a first come, first serves basis.

Vicinia Gardens would like to thank the community sponsors of The Medical Team, Heartland Hospice, One Care, Interim, Gentiva and Lowes. They offer a special thanks to Lake Fenton Middle and High School students for painting 10 canvas prints, and four murals and to Genesee Career Institute (Skill Center) for building several activities projects.

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The books I read as a teenager are still organized on my bookshelf and desk, but

with a layer of dust. I feel older and taller coming back from Western Michigan University after my third year.

I've accepted my 5-foot, 2-inch height, but my mother still insists I might grow. Her pestering was one aspect of home I rarely had to comply with at college, save for the calls on the weekend.

College habits conflict with home habits, specifi-

cally my parents.' I don't have to tell anyone my whereabouts, or deal with a vacuum roaring at 8 a.m. at Western. Although, my house has more room

compared to a dingy, little dorm that resembles a prison cell.

Even though I've had the same sleeping habits since I was 15. my mother still gasps when she learns I usually go to bed around 3 a.m. Functioning on three to five hours of sleep per night with three to five cups of coffee became a necessary habit with 17 credits of classes, 16 hours of work a

week, and half a social life. Sleeping for eight hours in my queen-

sized bed in Linden feels magical, and mid-afternoons become my mornings.

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Holly Area Youth Assistance (HAYA)

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING



Times intern

My mother

conversations

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of coffee. 77

Tri-CountyTimes, intern

Hannah Ball

My mother tries to have conversations when I get up, but I'm not eloquent until after two cups of coffee.

I offer to help my dad with the yard work on the weekends, and I'm always sad when he finishes most of it before I'm awake.

Boxes, tubs, and bags full of my belongings still sit in the liv-

ing room, leaving a little path for our two dogs to play. Our dogs were happy to see me and ecstatic to get black and blonde dog hair all over my clothes, which now require a lint roller I didn't need for eight months.

I have time for TV and movies at home, and my family watches them at night. Come 10 p.m., my mother nods off.

I found dormitory food awful and with little nutritional value. Coming home, I looked forward to a full stocked fridge and cabinets with healthy food, and brownie mixes that

> another bookshelf into my room for my grow-

Despite the conflicting habits, sitting on the porch with my parents, and watching the sky change colors as the sun sets over Lobdell Lake is the most relaxed I've felt in a long time.

programs provide opportunities to children and youth of low-income families including mentors, school supplies, holiday gifts, scholarships to participate in enrichment and athletic activities, college scholarships and services. Golfers, volunteers and sponsors are needed to make the event successful. Contact Elena Danishevskaya at (248) 765-8222, Barb Breen at (248) 459.8317 or visit HollyAreaYouthAssistance.org for full details of the event.

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a wish list at Fratz and be contacted as soon as items come through the door. Coffee cowboy pots, tin kits, older lanterns and waterproof covers for sleeping bags are some of the other varied items Fratz employees have resold to customers.

Camping may not come naturally for some people, whether through inexperience or previous lack of interest. Case said most local parks allow people to rent gear such as tents and sleeping bags from the campground, as well as offer how-to classes with park rangers. Renting for beginners is recommended by Case, since it could potentially save families hundreds of dollars, should they discover camping is not the summer activity for them.

"There's a lot to do at state parks. There are beaches, hiking, fishing and lots of programs going on," Case said.

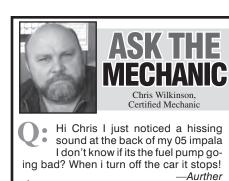
Camping locally may be better done during the week as Case has seen Seven Lakes State Park filling up with more people than previous years during the weekends. Case attributes more campers at local parks to high gas prices, deterring people from taking long weekend trips.

LOCAL CAMPING LOCATIONS

Seven Lakes State Park 14390 Fish Lake Road, Holly (248) 634-7271

Holly Recreation Area 8100 Grange Hall Road, Holly (248) 634-8811

Holly KOA 7072 Grange Hall Road, Holly (248) 634-0803



Aurthur, This could be a few things and you might want to have a mechanic near you listen to it, the fuel pump will make a steady humming noise when the car is running and one thing you could do is listen while someone turns the key on and see if the sound is the same, (when you turn the key on the pump should run for 10 seconds or so to prime the fuel system) if this is the sound try changing the fuel filter first as it could be clogged causing the pump to work very hard to produce enough pressure and volume to keep the car running, next thing to look at is if the hissing sound is coming from the fuel cap or the vent valve under the car in the evaporative emissions canister. these valves car become inoperative at times causing the fuel tank to pressurize or have a vacuum, if this is the case you will need a professional to diagnose this as the cost can go very high if you replace the wrong part.



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TIMES OUTCOORS A The quirky turkey

Reflection in window triggers wild bird to peck at self

By Amy Mayhew news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

As spring turkey season winds down, I was reminded of a story that happened not all that long ago as I took my then elementary-aged daughter to school.

Jess and I were already running a little late leaving for school. Since it was her birthday, she not only had the usual backpack to negotiate, but also had a huge platter of cupcakes to balance on her lap. I backed out of our driveway, and we were off — that is until I spotted a huge Tom Turkey in the neighbor's side yard, pecking on a basement window.

There he was in full display, hammering the heck out of the window with his beak. My daughter's eyes widened. 'What's he doing, Mom?' she asked. I remember explaining that, upon seeing his own reflection in the glass, he was trying to pick a fight with — well, himself. To heck with being on time for school — I had to go back and get my camera.

After returning, I told the kid to sit tight while I snuck up on the big bird in the neighbor's yard. Turkeys have really good eyesight and fairly decent hearing, so I didn't really expect him to hang around too long. Fanned out and facing me with his fiery red head, I ducked behind a berm. But simply put, he was distracted by his big old beautiful self that morning, and paid little attention to me. In fact, I was able to snap several pictures of him in action. Eventually, he meandered off behind their house.

Wild turkeys live in flocks that are organized by a "pecking order." This pecking order is a social ranking in which each bird has dominance over or "pecks" on birds of lower social status. Particularly during mating season, turkeys become very aggressive and will attempt to dominate other members of their species or sometimes even people.

According to The Massachusetts Wild Turkey magazine, the Tom that Jess and I saw that day was doing exactly what I thought he was. Turkeys may respond aggressively to shiny objects or reflections. Since the stimulus to drive away the "intruder" is so strong and the reflection does not disappear when the turkey confronts it, the bird will often continually display toward or attack the reflection until changing light conditions cause it to vanish.

I remember thinking that it was probably a good thing I walked up on him and caused him to be on his way. Otherwise, he probably would have knocked himself silly.

We were a little late for school that day, but it sure gave her one heck of a story to share with the gang as they all ate her birthday cupcakes.



During mating season, Tom turkeys become very aggressive, fighting other Toms for the chance to reproduce. Sometimes the mere sight of its own reflection can cause a Tom to go into battle mode.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I AMY MAYHEW This is the beautiful male turkey we saw fanned out and ready for action that day.

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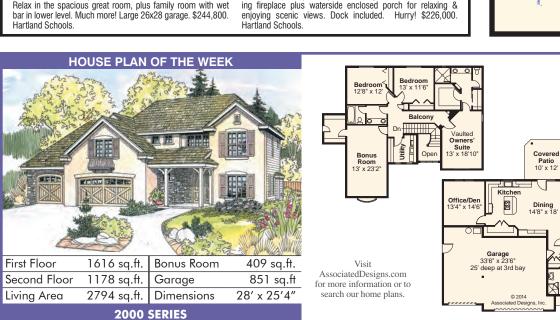


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CITY OF FENTON 301 SOUTH LEROY STREET FENTON, MICHIGAN 48430-2196

CITY OF FENTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Fenton, Genesee County, Michigan, will hold a public hearing at its regular council meeting on the 27th Day of May, 2014 at 7:30 pm, in the City Hall, located at 301 South Leroy Street, Fenton, Michigan 48430-2196, to consider a proposed amendment of the City of Fenton Local Development Finance Authority ("LDFA") Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan.

The purpose of the proposed amendment, adopted by the LDFA at its regular meeting on April 10, 2014, is to authorize the LDFA to enter into an agreement with the City that will provide for sharing of a portion of the captured assessed value between the LDFA and the City of Fenton. The text of the amendment reads as follows

Tax Increment Financing Plan adopted by the City Council of the City on December 27, 1988, as amended by City Council on September 24, 1990, April 24, 2006, April 19, 2007, May 1, 2008, March 22, 2010, September 27, 2010 December 13, 2010, October 24, 2011 and June 24, 2013 is hereby further amended in the following respects:

Exhibit B attached to the Tax Increment Financing Plan a. is amended to provide the following additional provision: "The LDFA shall exclude 10.6226 mills from its capture of millage levied by the City of Fenton for fiscal year 2014 pursuant to an Agreement to share captured assessed value between the City of Fenton Local Development Finance Authority and the City of Fenton to be effective May 27, 2014."

The fiscal and economic implications of the proposed amendment are limited to the temporary shifting of tax revenue generated by the 10.6226 mills, in an amount not to exceed \$171,000.00, from the LDFA to the City of Fenton.

The district is composed substantially of the US-23 Industrial Park, Fenway Plaza industrial park and certain additional industrial zoned property adjacent to the east of these parks. The district is generally bounded by US 23 on the west, Owen Road on the south, Silver Lake Road on the north and Pontchartrain Boulevard extended on the east.

Maps, plats and a description of the Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan are available for public inspection at the LDFA office in the City Hall. No persons are expected to be displaced by the plan. All aspects of the plan will be open for discussion at the public hearing.

EXHIBIT B TO:

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF FENTON, **COUNTY OF GENESEE, MICHIGAN**

DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND TAX INCREMENT **FINANCING PLAN** FOR THE CITY OF FENTON

Approved by the Local Development Finance Authority of the City of Fenton for Council of the City of Fenton on November 17, 1988.

Approved by the City Council of the City of Fenton on December 27, 1988, subsequent to a public hearing on December 27, 1988.

As amended on September 24, 1990; April 24, 2006, April 19, 2007, May 1, 2008, March 22, 2010, September 27, 2010, December 13, 2010, October 24, 2011, June 24, 2013 and May 27, 2014.

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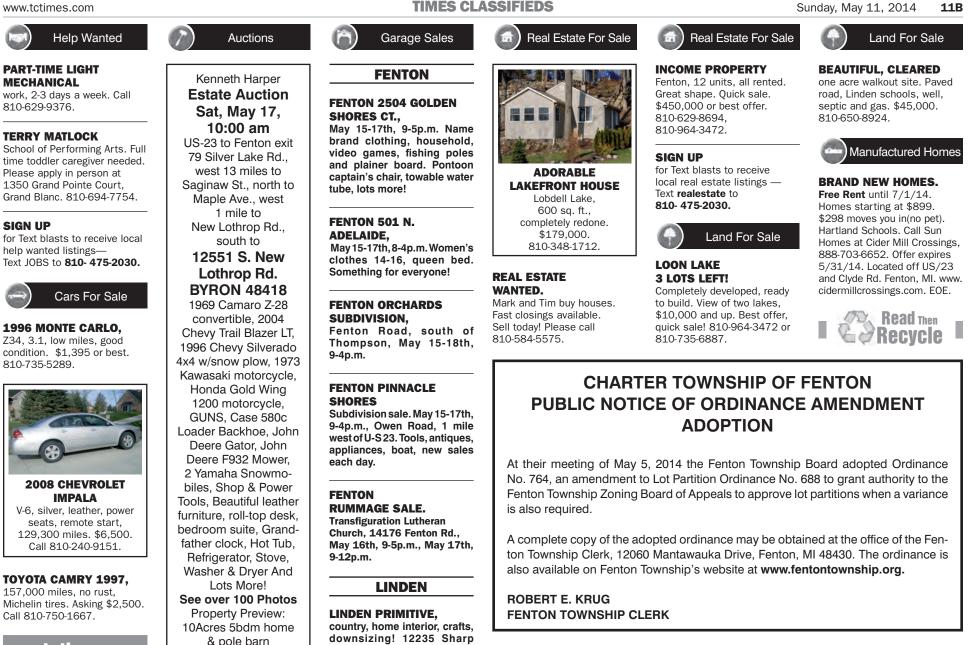
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The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday May 5, 2014 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

- 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 \$268,268.68.
- 4. Adopted Ordinance No. 764, an amendment to Lot Partition Ordinance No. 688 to authorize the Zoning Board of Appeals to approve lot partitions when a variance is also required.
- 5. Re-appointed David R. Franz and James D. McGuirk Jr. to the Fenton Township Planning Commission for the term ending May 31, 2017.
- 6. Accepted, with regret, the resignation of Sandra K. Carlson from the Fenton Township Planning Commission.
- 7. Adopted Resolution No. 2014-04, honoring Sandra K. Carlson for her 13 years of service on the Fenton Township Planning Commission.
- 8. Adjourned at 9:05 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.

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PUBLIC NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY MAY 27, 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:

ZBA14-007: Bryan DeGayner, 16374 Carrie Lane Fenton:

Requesting side set back, total two sides and sight line variances to build an addition, covered porches and a garage. Property is located at 12428 Woodhull Landing. Parcels 06-11-581-006

This item is being reheard because of a notice requirement error.

HO14-009: Timothy Paige, 5450 Blossom Lane Linden:

Requesting a home occupation permit to operate gun sale business in residence. Parcel 06-32-601-101

ZBA14-010 Randy & Lois Birchmeier, 11149 Torrey Fenton: Requesting maximum allowable sq. footage variance to build a detached accessory building. Parcel 06-02-100-049

ZBA14-011: Larry Adrykovich, 14260 Eastview Fenton:

Requesting height variances for a fence. Parcel 06-22-579-043

ZBA14-012: Justin Manssur, 13287 Harborview Linden:

Requesting a sight line variance for a fence around in ground pool. Parcel 06-16-603-045

ZBA14-013: Sandra Easler, 14181 Swanee Bch Fenton:

Requesting a sight line variance to construct a sunroom. Parcel 06-23-531-008

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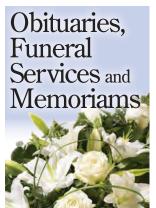


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Sunday, May 11, 2014 **13B**





Douglas F.J. Chapelle

1929-2014 Douglas F.J. Chapelle - age 85, of FifeLake, the first born of Frederick M. and Maybelle (Albro) Chapelle Ranger went to heaven on May 6, 2014. Mr. Chapelle joined the army in 1946 for basic training at Fort McLelland, AL. He served until 1948 in the Korean (WWII Era) Occupational Forces-6th Division, 20th Infantry Regiment Post Engineers-Heavy Equipment Operators, and also in the Combat Engineers (CB) Reserves for eight years. He retired from Consumers Energy after being employed from 1953 until 1984. Joining the Masons in April of 1958, he rose to Master Mason by June of 1958, and held Worshipful Master by 1963, and also was a member OES and served as Worthy Patron. Mr. Chapelle was also a life member of the VFW Fenton Post, Chaplain and Honor Guard at the Fife Lake American Legion, and founding member of Sportsman Club in FifeLake, He was also a member of the Moose Club in Harrison. Douglas is survived by his wife Wanda of Fife Lake; children, Christine (Gene) Wolfgram of Fenton, Tamara and Frederick (Brenda) Chapelle, and Sandara (Robert Jr.) Witthuhn, all of Linden; step-children, Deborah (Matt) Gulliver of Saline and Robert Jr. (Annette) Alford of St. Johns; grandchildren, Heidi (Casey) Duffy, Ronald (Sara) Wolfgram, Marie (Rob) Morgan, Andrew Lisa) Wolfgram, Robert III (Niki), Todd (Lindsay) and Alan Witthuhn, Kali (Matt), Kory (Kellie) and Kurt Chapelle; and step-grandchildren, Amanda (Jon) Bourgault, Robert Alford III, Brent, Nastassja and Katie Deliss. He will be missed by 14 great-grandchildren; sisters, Violet (Paul) Labian, Joyce (Dan) Cannon, Paula (the late Leonard) Mauer; brother, Paul (Nan) Ranger; and numerous nieces, nephews, and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; siblings, Darlene, Delores, Benice, Pamela, Duane, and Morton. A memorial service will be held in his honor at the Gazebo in downtown Linden, Michigan at 11 AM on Friday, May 16, 2014, with the Rev. Donald Neuville officiating. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



Jeffrey Paul Ford

1965-2014 Jeffrey Paul Ford - age 49, of Linden, passed away Wednesday, May 7, 2014. Funeral



Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Pastor Dean Dumbrille officiating. Visitation will be held at the funeral home Sunday from 2-8 PM and Monday from 10 AM until the time of service. Those desiring may make contributions to the family. Jeff was born March 16, 1965 in Flint the son of James E. and Carol A. (Brissette) Ford. He was a graduate of Linden High School. He was employed by Home and Park RV and had previously been employed by GM Truck and Bus. Jeff was a member of the Fenton Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie #2460. Surviving are: daughters, Kayla Ford of Omaha, NE and Molly Wolfe of Connecticut; mother, Carol Ford of Linden; brothers, James (Lisa) Ford of Riley, Richard Ford of St. Johns, Ryan (Carrie) Ford of Fenton, Jon (Anja) Ford of Brighton, and Randy (Gary Spangler) Ford of DeKalb, IL; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, James Ford and nephews, James and Jaryd Ford. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Walter Butcher, Walter Butcher - age 64, May 5, 2014. Visit www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome. com.



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Benny Walker

Benny Walker - age 54, formerly of Fenton, passed away Thursday, April 24, 2014 at his home. He is the son of



Academy, Lake Fenton Schools and earned an Associate Degree in Applied Science from Mid-Michigan Community College. He loved motorcycles, animals, was an extensive reader and loved his vast variety of friends and family. Survivors include his wife; children Kenny, Lenny, Tabby, Shawna, Tonie Ellen; one step-daughter; mother, Shirley Walker; sister, Kelly (Ed) Narring; niece, Toni; and nephew, Jordan. He was preceded in death by his father, Richard; brother, Tony; grandparents. A memorial service will be held at First Presbyterian Church of Fenton, Saturday, May 17, 2014 at 11 AM.

Evangeline Dean

1929-2014 Evangeline Dean - age 85, of Linden, passed away Tuesday, May 6, 2014. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 11 AM Monday, May 12, 2014 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton. Fr. Dwight Ezop celebrant. Burial immediately following in Fairview Cemetery, Linden. Visitation will be held at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St., Linden Saturday from 5-8 PM and Sunday from 1-4 and 6-8 PM and at church Monday from 10-11 AM. A vigil service will be held at the funeral home Sunday at 7:30 PM. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make contributions to St. John's Outreach, or a charity of one's choice. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



James Garvock, James Garvock - age 86, died May 3, 2014. Visit www. temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



June Young, June Young - age 85, died May 9, 2014. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Dennis Olen Cornell 1953-2014

Dennis Olen Cornell - age 61, of Fenton, died May 3, 2014 at his home. Funeral services



ton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road. Interment in Lakeside Cemetery, Holly. Visitation was held 6-8 PM Monday and Tuesday. Those desiring may make contributions to the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Dennis was born on May 2, 1953 in Greenville, SC the son of Olen and Patricia (Burghardt) Cornell. He married Norma Jean Badgero on June 8, 1973. He was employed for AFC Holcroft as a machine operator. Dennis is survived by wife of 40 years, Norma Jean; two daughters, Heather and husband James Trites of Perry, Vanessa Cornell Hensley of Fenton; four grandchildren, Bethany, Tori and Tyler Trites, Micah Martinez. He was preceded in death by his parents. Tributes may be shared on the obituaries page of www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Minute Atuatasi, Minute Atuatasi - age 60, died May 7, 2014, Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com



Constantine Panos. Constantine Panos - age 75, died May 8, 2014. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharp-



funeralhomes.com.

Marie Bradley,

Marie Bradley - age 92, died May 4, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



James MacCaughan, James MacCaughan - age 69, died May 5, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpiunerai



Mitchell McCann, Mitchell McCann - age 52, died May 5, 2014. Services

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Alice "Janelle" Zerull

1927-2014 Alice "Janelle" Zerull - age 86, of Linden, died May 2, 2014 at Vicinia Gardens of Fenton.



Homes, 209 East Broad Street, Linden, Deacon Ron Kenney officiating. Entombment in Tyrone Memory Gardens Mausoleum, Fenton. Janelle was born July 20, 1927 in Ortonville. She was the daughter of Carl and Ann (Barnes) Brown. She married Robert Zerull on February 21, 1953 in Angola IN. She worked for Buick in the Public Relations Department for many years. After retirement she worked at the Carriage Shop and Betty Richards in Grand Blanc. She was active with the Buick Open from its start and a member of Spring Meadows Country Club. Surviving are: husband of 61 years, Robert "Bob"; daughter, Patti Hunt and husband Jeff Hudkins of Fenton; three grandchildren, Garth and wife Allison Hunt, Laura and husband Scott Grant, Justin and wife Leah Hunt; eight beloved greatgrandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents. Tributes may be shared on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Ryan Hodge, Ryan Hodge - age 32, died May 2, 2014. Services

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William Byram, William Byram - age 4, died May 3, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Rosamond Horn,

Rosamond Horn - age 95, died May 3, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralnomes.com



Donald Ramsey, Donald Ramsey - age 88, died May 7, 2014. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



William Fullerton Hermann Jr. 1926-2014

William Fullerton Hermann Jr. - age 87, of Fenton, died Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at his



First Presbyterian Church

residence Services will be held 11 AM Tuesday, May 13, 2014 at

of Fenton, 503 S. Leroy St., Fenton with Rev. Lloyd Hall officiating. Interment will follow at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly. Visitation will be held 2-4 and 6-9 PM Monday at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton and from 10 AM until the time of services at the church. Contributions may be made in memory of William Hermann to the Autism Alliance of Michigan, 26500 American Dr., Southfield, MI 48034. Mr. Hermann was born October 14, 1926 in Detroit, the son of William Fullerton and Doris M. (Stokes) Hermann. He was a veteran of World War II serving in the U.S. Navy. Mr. Hermann married Dorothy Jean Fitzpatrick on December 20, 1947 in Detroit. He was a mechanic and President of Bill Hermann Renault retiring in 2011. He resided in Fenton the last 26 years coming from Walled Lake. Mr. Hermann was an Elder in the Presbyterian Church and an active volunteer with church functions, hurricane relief efforts and Habitat for Humanity. Surviving are: wife, Dorothy; four children, Kathleen (Richard) King of Okemos, Denise (Steve) Davies of Highland; William Hermann III of Milford, Tom (Lynn) Hermann of Howell; six grandchildren, Megan (Greg) Ristau, Chad (Elli) King, Jeff (Lindsay) Davies, Brad Davies, Mathias Hermann and Kaileigh Hermann; grand-dog, Sam; five great-grandchildren; three siblings, Shirley Perkins, David Hermann, and Deanne Starbird; many nieces and nephews. Friends may share an online tribute on the obituary page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Dennis Wagner,

Dennis Wagner - age 67, died May 6, 2014. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralnomes.com



Thomas Lampley,

Thomas Lampley - age 81, died May 7, 2014. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.





PREP TIME: 15 mins

COOK TIME: YIELD: 6 servings

INGREDIENTS

- 1 lb. ground chicken
- 3/4 cup Panko
- 1 large egg
- 1/2 t. garlic powder
- 1/2 t. onion powder
- 2 green onions, thinly sliced
- · Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste

2 hr 5 mins

- 3/4 cup buffalo sauce
- 1/4 cup blue cheese dressing

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper or a silicone baking mat; set aside.
- 2. In a large bowl, combine ground chicken, Panko, egg, garlic and onion powder and green onions; season with salt and pepper, to taste. Using a wooden spoon or clean hands, stir until well combined. Roll the mixture into 1 1/4-to-1 1/2-inch meatballs, forming about 24 meatballs.
- 3. Place meatballs onto prepared baking sheet and bake for 4-5 minutes, or until all sides are browned.
- 4. Place meatballs into a slow cooker. Add buffalo sauce and gently toss to combine. Cover and cook on low heat for 2 hours.
- 5. Serve immediately, drizzled with blue cheese dressing, if desired.

Recipe from damndelicious.net



DEAR DR. ROACH: Two years ago, at age 90, my gynecologist told me that I did not need to see him anymore because of my age. When I mentioned this to my daughter, she became outraged, and said that I need to continue my mammograms and visits to the doctor. What is your opinion? — I.W.

ANSWER: This is actually three questions in one, and none of them is easy. How long do you "need" to continue Pap smears and mammograms, and do you need to keep seeing your gynecologist? The Pap smear question actually is the easiest, since there is very good evidence that a woman who has had normal Pap smears regularly until age 65 is very unlikely to get cervical cancer. This does not apply to anyone with a history of cancer. When to stop mammograms is controversial. I feel that thev can continue in healthy women indefinitely, but especially in the presence of some other serious disease, a woman over 75 could choose to stop. I still recommend a regular visit with the gynecologist. Even if a mammogram or Pap smear isn't being done, the gynecologist can discuss other concerns and do an exam.



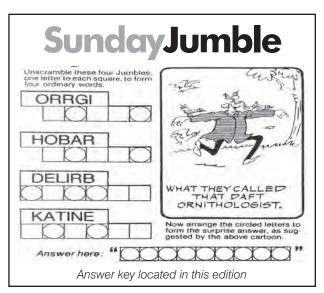
Neighbor mowed down by allergies

DEAR AMY: What do I do about a neighbor who complains about my having my lawn mowed because she is allergic to the lawn clippings? My lawn mower is not working right now, so I am having a professional landscaping company mow my lawn twice monthly. My mower had a bag on it, and the person mowing my lawn does not. My neighbor is complaining that, because of her allergies, she can no longer go outside and garden when I get the lawn done. She insists that I fire the gentleman who does my lawn because he can only do it on the weekends when she is home and I should get someone else to do it during the week while she works. She complained about it last year, and now that the mowing season is here, she is starting again. I don't want to go through it again this year and am at my wits' end! - Mowed Over

DEAR MOWED: Have you asked the professional landscaper if he could possibly use a bag on his mower when he mows your lawn? Have you asked if he could do the mowing when it wouldn't cause your neighbor's allergies to flare so badly? Have you looked into repairing your mower? These are simple questions that would involve a minimum of effort. What you would gain by asking these questions is the knowledge that you are being a decent person and a good neighbor.

DEAR AMY: I believe my brother suffers from depression but refuses to acknowledge it. His small business went into a tailspin a few years ago and hasn't recovered. He subsequently lost a part-time coaching job that was his passion and has not been able to find another. The reason given for his firing was that some of the kids were scared of his temper. Having seen him totally lose his cool over trivial things with his own kids more than once, I believe it. He refuses to talk to family or friends, see a counselor, or consider antidepressants. He is alienating his very patient wife and scaring his wonderful kids. Do you see any way out? -**Concerned Sibling**

DEAR CONCERNED: I agree that this is alarming. Your brother would benefit from a thorough physical. His issues might be triggered by a treatable medical problem. Expressing your concern and offering to go with him to the doctor might influence him. Life with your brother sounds very challenging; his wife and kids would all benefit from attending sessions with a compassionate family therapist. I cannot stress how helpful this could be. For the kids, acknowledging their anxieties, giving voice to their fears, and expressing their anger and confusion will be helpful. They need to learn strategies for how to ride the roller coaster at home.





Sync Facebook to your iPhone's calendar



Here's how you can sync your Facebook events and birthdays with your calendar:

- 1. Install the Facebook app and log in with your account details.
- 2. Hop over to the home screen and launch Settings, and then scroll down to find Facebook in the list of apps.
- 3. Tap Facebook to check out settings for the app - you'll see a list of apps that you can allow to use your Facebook account. Turn on this setting for Calendars.
- 3. Pop over to the
- home screen, launch Calendar and tap the Details button to the left of the search button. You should be able to see events and birthdays for every day marked on the calendar with a dot below it.
- 3. Tap on any listed event to view more details. You can also tap on a listed birthday to view that person's contact info, and tap his/her name under the Facebook field to visit their profile and wish them a splendid birthday.



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THE ART OF THE STEAL



veronica mars

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cal book, but the successful heist leads to another far riskier plan devised by Nicky. They fail to realize each other's separate agendas when their plan goes awry in this con comedy about honor, revenge and the bonds of brotherhood. R, 1 hr. 30 min.



On the eve of graduating law school, Veronica Mars has put Neptune and her amateur sleuthing days behind her. While interviewing at high-end New York law firms, Veronica Mars gets a call from her ex-boyfriend Logan who has been accused of murder. Veronica heads back to Neptune just to help

Logan find an attorney, but when things don't seem right with how Logan's case is perceived and handled, Veronica finds herself being pulled back into a life she thought she had left behind. PG-13, 1 hr. 48 min.



FENTON 1298 Butcher Road, Very nice 4 bedroom 2 bath home. Finished walkout basement with bedroom, large family room and full bath. Enjoy the peacefulness of McCully Lake while sitting out on your deck. This house boasts over 100 feet lake frontage ready to enjoy this summer. \$179.900 Call Frank Cramer 810-869-5701



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