Fenton road millage likely to appear on 2015 ballot

A 4-mil increase for 10 years would help maintain and improve Fenton roads

By Ryan Tackabury

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 Fenton — Maintaining and repairing the roads is a priority for the Fenton City Council, however finding the funds to do so is difficult. Doing so through a 10-year increase in the city's millage rate was a

topic of discussion at council's work session meeting on Monday.

A study the city had conducted estimated that it would require approximately \$1 million to not just maintain the status quo on the roads, but improve them as well. See ROAD MILLAGE on 6

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L The money would not be used for anything else.77 Sue Osborn,

Fenton mayor



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Voter turnout meets expectations



Michigan is one of the top 10 producing states in the U.S.

No sour grapes for **Michigan wine** producers

► Overall, state sees 50 percent reduction in grape production due to last winter

By Yvonne Stegall

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The severe winter weather Michigan experienced from January through March of this year resulted in damage to grapevines, which reduced fruitfulness for many of the more cold-tender varieties of grapes that are used for wine production in Michigan, according to the Michigan Grape and Wine Industry Council.

The warmer days in October worked to help ripen a smaller-than-average crop, anticipated to be 50 percent smaller than the 7,600-ton record reported in 2013.

While the cold is affecting some wineries in Michigan, See GRAPES on 7



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

All seven Fenton Township precincts vote at Lake Fenton High School. By noon, the steadily busy polling station saw 1,951 voters, or 30.2 percent of registered voters. (right) As of 2:30 p.m., Fenton City reported 2,093 ballots cast, or 22 percent of registered voters. Visit www.tctimes.com for election results.



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There's a 'Blue Book' for your healthcare

Shop around, compare prices for hundreds of procedures

By Tim Jagielo

tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795 What's the fair market price for a twoday supply of Humira, arthritis medica-

tion? \$5,700. What if you're thinking about getting crowns? It could cost \$827, according to HealthcareBluebook.com.

When you are shopping for an automobile, you're used to being able to look up a fair market value of the car, truck or SUV in Kelly Blue Book. Or, you can at least search around and determine an average market price.

Not the case with medical bills, which some of the time, can cost as much as a car, house or even college education.



Characteristic The newspaper of the year award, huh? How else would the liars, the fear mongers, and the



their message out if they didn't have your paper to print their untruths in. Newspaper of the year? How about gossip rag of the day. **J**

total right-wingers get



procedure or fill a prescription, you might want to check out HealthcareBluebook. See HEALTHCARE on 5 com to see what the average prices are.

> **L**Today I received another picture from my daughter - one of the many 'Vote

Democrat' posters in

unbelievable that the

Holly High School. It is

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HHS administration is pushing liberal and millage agendas on students, instead of teaching them reading, writing and arithmetic. 77

There's 'good news' in the housing market Michigan is still in top four of 'underwater' states, but local

housing picture is bright

By Sally Rummel

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What a difference five years makes. Even though Michigan remains in the top four of housing markets with 25 percent of its residential properties seriously "underwater," the real estate picture in the tri-county area is a much brighter picture than it was at the height of the housing bust in 2009.

"Underwater" is defined as the loan amount secured by the property being at least 25 percent higher than the property's estimated market value, according to See HOUSING MARKET on 8



Chank you Times for vour excellent, complete and unbiased election coverage. You provided the information I had been looking for but couldn't find anywhere.

Your body on sweetened soda

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• Within 20 minutes, your blood sugar spikes, and your liver responds to the resulting insulin burst by turning massive amounts of sugar into fat.

• Within 40 minutes, caffeine absorption is complete; your pupils dilate, your blood pressure rises, and your liver dumps more sugar into your bloodstream.

• Around 45 minutes, your body increases dopamine production, which stimulates the pleasure centers of your brain — a physically identical response to that of heroin. • After 60 minutes, you'll start to have a sugar crash.

Source: mercola.com

Your body on diet soda

• Mood: Four or more cans of diet soda a day make you 30 percent more likely to develop depression. • Teeth: Three or more diet sodas a day raises your risk of tooth decay. · Heart: A daily diet soda increases heart attack risk by 43 percent.

• Metabolic Syndrome: Consumption of daily diet soda raises the risk of metabolic syndrome by 36 percent, which increases the risk for coronary artery disease, stroke and type 2 diabetes.

• Kidneys: Drinking just two diet sodas a day doubles your risk of kidney disease, in women.

• Weight: Every daily serving of diet soda increases your risk of obesity by 41 percent.

• Diabetes: Just one diet soda a day increases the risk of type 2 diabetes by 67 percent.

Source: prevention.com

of the troublesome ingredients in soda. Sweetened pop contains high fructose corn syrup (HFCS). "HFCS contains traces of mercury which is a heavy metal," Andrejciw said. "HFCS really wreaks havoc with your blood sugar levels because it is such a simple sugar (just fructose) that it "burns" (is metabolized really fast) and causes oxidative stress (think free radicals) which age you." She also pointed out that HFCS pull the nutrients from your body, which can age you prematurely.





nutrition manager for McLaren Flint said might cause a relation between cigarettes and soda is the addiction aspect of the two. "Like the cigarette, many people are 'addicted' to their pop of choice. I myself used to be a 'diet cokaholic' until I developed ulcers and could not tolerate the pop anymore," Easlick said.

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"The obvious negative health benefit would be the increased calories that these beverages provide," said Easlick. Soda is full of simple sugar calories and it does

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not provide vitamins, minerals or protein. That makes it a source of empty calories.

"Another issue that many people also do not think about is the effect of the sugar on their teeth," said Easlick. "Most people do not brush their teeth after drinking a pop and so the acid and acid sugar byproduct residue is in your mouth working on breaking down the enamel on your teeth."

It's not just the sugar in soda that is bad for your teeth. Even diet soda is acidic, and according to a blog on Linden area dentist Dr. Patricia McGarry's website, the acids in all sodas erode teeth. In fact, she compared it to bathing your teeth in battery acid.

According to information on WebMD, both diet and regular soda cause a risk of obesity. That means that switching to diet soda to lose weight isn't the answer.

Easlick also pointed out the affects of caffeine in soda. Caffeine is an addictive substance. "Intake of caffeine contributes to sleep deprivation. Sleep deprivation is linked to obesity. It is a vicious cycle," she said.

Marjie Andrejciw from Marjie's Gluten-Free Pantry also pointed out one

Like the cigarette, many people are 'addicted' to their pop of choice.

Sarah Easlick, assistant director of Food/ Nutrition and Clinical Nutrition Manager for McLaren Flint



FEATURESANDNEWS

In local schools, 28 new teachers settle in

Police&Fire report

MAN SHOPLIFTS LIQUOR, ROSES

At 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 29, Fenton police responded to a grocery store in the 16000 block of Silver Parkway to investigate a retail fraud complaint. A man, later identified as a 47-year-old Tyrone Township resident, was observed concealing a \$6 bottle of liquor underneath his coat. He then purchased a gallon of milk and exited the store. Employees provided the license plate number of his vehicle to police, which led to the suspect. After reviewing security videos, police believe the same man also stole a dozen roses costing \$10 on Oct. 27. Police are seeking a two-count arrest warrant for third-degree retail fraud. He could face up to 93 days in jail and a \$500 fine.

PICKUP TRUCK KEYED

On Nov. 2, a 29-year-old Holly man reported to Fenton police that someone keyed his 2000 Chevy Silverado half-ton pickup truck while it was parked at an apartment complex off Torrey Road. The damage occurred on Nov. 1, sometime between 10 p.m. and midnight. Several scratch marks were observed on the hood and doors. Police have no suspects.

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tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795 Linden — The eighth-grade lifetime fitness class jumped, squatted, planked, laughed and joked through class, in a multi-purpose room near the gym on Monday at Linden Middle School.

By Tim Jagielo

As the students jumped up and down, teacher Brent Rogers said, "Tighten your stomachs up, this is for core (strength)."

Overall, teachers face weak

job growth for next decade

according to labor statistics

Rogers, 34, was hired in late August, after a four-year search. He is one of a class of 27 hired in tri-county area schools for the 2014-15 school year, and eight in the Linden Community Schools (LCS) district.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, teachers face either average, or below average job growth until 2022.

Rogers didn't wait around to be hired. He was a substitute teacher all through college, and worked at a physical therapy clinic and even in the oil and gas business.

His degree is in exercise science, and the class is an extension of physical education, working on basic exercise components.

Rogers has approximately 137 students each day, so organization was really important to learn. "Being a teacher forces you to become organized or you will be causing a lot more stress upon yourself," he said. Also, reaching as many of those students with positive feedback each day can be difficult.

He said at first he was nervous



Brent Rogers, PE and Health teacher at Linden Middle School, was hired in late August after seeking a full-time teaching job for four years. He was one of eight hired by the district this year.

about learning students' names, along with working in a new environment and getting to know the kids. "Each day is a

> learning process for me," he said, having gleaned much from his first trimester.

He's already adjusted "boring and monotonous" warm-up activities, adding different routines to make it more interesting for students. He fortunately didn't have to make up all rules and See TEACHERS on 8

New teachers, by district

Fenton Area Public Schools: five hired district-wide (three in elementary schools, one in the middle school and one in the high school)

Holly Area Schools: 12 district-wide (five in the high school)

Linden Community Schools: eight district-wide (one being pre- school) Lake Fenton Community Schools: three district-wide (two elementary teachers and one high school teacher)

Do you know what your

By Yvonne Stegall

ystegall@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 The letters "IQ" stand for Intelligence Quotient. In short, it is a comparison of your cognitive abilities and aptitude against the norm. Or, according to igtestexperts. com, it indicates a person's mental abilities relative to other persons of approximately the same age.

While IQ tests are abundant on the Internet, you won't find accuracy in these tests. Although, accordingly, IQ tests are only an attempt to measure intelligence See IQ on 6

is?



GI don't have a day that I don't laugh at least once, it's good. — Mary Schwartz First-year teacher at Holly High Schoo

Actual IQ

clinical

score requires

testing done

by a licensed

psychologist



2016: Two familiar names have the edge — again!

Are you ready for Clinton vs. Bush 2.0? My earlier prediction that Jeb will face Hillary in 2016 is looking more certain than ever.

Sure, in theory the conventional wisdom says that voters want to see some fresh and new names at the top of their ballots. But in practice, history tells us that voters and campaign donors just love to bring the old names back again and again.

Republican hopes for former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush to throw his sombrero in the ring received an unexpected boost last Sunday when his son George P. Bush told ABC's 'This Week' that Daddy Jeb was 'more than likely' to join what almost has become the Bush family business: running for president.

I know it is popular to say that the public is tired of the Bushes and Clintons. Even former First Lady Barbara Bush was moved to complain in a C-SPAN interview this year, 'If we can't find more than two or three families to run for high office, that's silly. I refuse to accept that this great country isn't raising other wonderful people.'

Yet this great country, despite our ritualistic denunciations of dynasties, has put the Bushes and Clintons up with the Kennedys, Roosevelts and Rockefellers.

The GOP field already is getting crowded with ambitious presidential wannabe's. Yet, at this point, there's not a gusher of passion for any of the known hopefuls. A September CBS/ New York Times poll found 79 percent of Republican voters couldn't name a candidate they were enthusiastic about.

Jeb Bush is a conservative, but not too far right to believe in the power of reasonable compromise to help government do some good for the public without running off its rails.

That's the back-to-the-center formula that usually wins elections, regardless of party. Whether Republicans will go for it by nominating Jeb Bush remains to be seen. But after having been kept out of the White House for two terms in a row, I think a lot of them will be ready to try.

Compiled by Christopher Jones, staff reporter

FUNNY HOW EVERY-ONE wants a pipeline from Canada to the gulf but when it is in their backyard, they say no way.

ITHINK IT is interesting. Ten people in Michigan are being monitored for Ebola. No national coverage as of today. Election Tuesday. Coincidence? Public health over political gain — just thinking.

A SINCERE THANK you

to the gentleman that stopped to assist me on Monday, October 27 in downtown Linden. I had tripped and fallen while walking with my husband. He was genuinely concerned for my safety. Thank you.

TO THE IDIOT with the gray Chevy Impala. Why couldn't you be courteous and let that gentleman merge off the Torrey Road ramp. You didn't have to step on it and close the gap just because you didn't want anyone in front of you.

PROGRESSIVES LOVE DIVERSITY,

but are against diversity in education. John Dewey, patron saint of the progressive education movement, had the goal of turning out useful and amenable citizens, and expressly not to educate critical thinkers who question things. That's Common Core.

JUST GOT OUR notice from our health insurance provider. I believe our new premium of \$1,500 per month for my healthy family of three is absolutely ridiculous. Sally Rummel's article was very good and hopefully it will open up everyone's eyes to this absurd thing called Obamacare.

TO THE NEW builders coming into our

MIDWEEK TIMES

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subdivision. We have By Laws and Committees you need to comply with. You cannot just come in and build whatever you want. We all have a vested interest in our homes and you building homes that don't fit the sub won't be allowed.

[•]**PUBLIC SENTIMENT IS** everything. With public sentiment, nothing can fail. Without it, nothing can succeed. He who molds opinion is greater than he who enacts laws.[•]

— A. LINCOLN

PER CHARTER, THURSDAY Night Football can only be viewed by purchasing the NFL channel. Charter is holding an American tradition hostage. Let's boot them out. TCT can you do an in depth study of area providers with all details required to make an educated choice of alternatives?

LOOKS LIKE FENTON schools administration is trying to live within their means. Why not have a two-year Landscaping Certificate Program and let the students do the work, or hire some retired local seniors and pay them a decent wage.

REGARDING LINDEN'S ALTERNATE dance, I thought it was a great idea that the kids did this, it showed a lot of responsibility in them wanting it to be parent chaperoned, rather than just having a house party or hall party without parents. Good job, kids.

HOLLY AREA SCHOOLS, please stop trying to explain why you closed SMS, the fuzzy math you use does not add up. You messed up, and the voters are not happy.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times



thru Nov. 6th and will be sending the candy to U.S. Troops at the end of the week. If anyone has addresses for deployed troops that they would like to include, please contact our office.

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Democrats playing race card

Forget the race 'card.' In this election, Democrats have been playing the entire race 'deck.'

The Wall Street Journal has listed some of the more outrageous ads and flyers designed to frighten African-Americans into believing that all opposition to President Obama's policies and to the Democratic Party is a sign that lynch mobs may soon return.

The milder stuff includes a letter to black voters from the Democratic National Committee appealing for racial solidarity. Imagine the response if Republicans asked for racial solidarity from white people.

The Democratic Party of Georgia is distributing a flyer that shows two young black children holding signs that say 'Don't Shoot.' The flyer reads: 'If You Want to Prevent Another Ferguson In Their Future ... VOTE."

It has always mystified me why so many African-American voters remain loyal to the Democratic Party when that party — and especially the first black president — has done nothing to improve the circumstances of the poor among them.

According to statistics compiled by the University of Michigan Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, in 2010, 22 percent of children under 18 lived in poverty and among those 38.2 percent were black. Hispanics, another constituency Democrats are courting, had 35 percent of their children under 18 in poverty.

Why do more than 90 percent remain loyal to a political party that has robbed them of hope?

The answer must be in the voices they listen to, including the voices of teachers in failing public schools that Democrats won't let them escape from, students in those schools who bad-mouth successful students for 'acting white,' and politicians who pretend to be the friends of African-Americans on Election Day, only to abandon them the very next day.

When the last votes are counted in this election, many African-Americans who vote for Democrats will likely not find their lives improved by the crafty politicians who used racial scare tactics to court them and get them to the polls.

On Nov. 5, the race deck will still be stacked against them. Maybe they should try the other party just to shake things up.

streettalk

Who is the smartest person you know?



"The smartest people I know are people who live their lives by thinking with their head and their hearts."

— Christine McDonnough Fenton



"I have a financial advisor for my retirement income. I just met with him two days ago."

— Andy Truhan Linden



"The smartest people I know are people who think before they make decisions."

– Brenda Kingsbury Linden



"That's tough, other than myself. I do trivia competitions and I know the answers better than most people."



"Myself. The only other person I could think of is my father. He's the one person who taught me how to think outside the box."

— Stephen Kuhna Fenton



"Jesus Christ. He's my Lord and Savior. He died for my sins and he's the most positive force in my life."

Gadgets I cannot live without

► How technology has changed me in the past 20 years

By Yvonne Stegall

ystegall@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 Let me start out by saying that if the grid were to go down tomorrow I would

in fact survive, but I might not be happy about the lack of smartphone and laptop usage. I turn 40 in mid-November, and that got me thinking about the technological advances that have happened in my lifetime.

I graduated from high school in 1993, and we didn't have computers available in our school until my junior year. I didn't actually own my own

computer until 1997, and it was a refurbished dinosaur of a desktop computer. My first laptop wasn't until 2005. With

the computer also comes the need for the Internet.

It's amazing to think of the way things were done prior to the Internet, and when dial-up was the only option. Now with WiFi, I can send emails from anywhere, including my phone.

My smartphone is another thing I'd have

a hard time doing without. Before I got my first cell phone, in 1998, I believe, I always just had a home phone. I also remember having a pager, from about 1993 until I got my cell phone. Do pagers



Yvonne Stegall

These tablets

screen size large

enough to read

Me, to my husband

comic books?77

are on sale. Is that

even exist anymore?

For a few months earlier this year, I went back to a normal cell phone, but I missed the ability to have instant access to email and social media, no matter where I was. Smartphones allow us to be continually connected to the cyber world, and I love having GPS without an extra gadget cluttering up my vehicle.

> Although my smartphone comes equipped with its own handy-dandy camera, as a journalist I find I cannot live without my digital camera. While I am definitely in need of an upgrade, my Nikon D40 does the job well. No need to take film in to get developed and no wait. Digital photography has also opened up the ability to edit photos with ease, too.

My first digital camera experience wasn't until the early 2000s.

Lastly, I love my iPod. I just have a little iPod Shuffle that I got for free from a bank promotion, but it allows me easy access to music for walking and exercising. It's small enough to fit in my pocket and holds a lot of songs. It definitely beats the CD Walkman I had up until 2012 and the cassette one I had in my teens.

Up next, I plan to get a Kindle. This lady will be happy to no longer have stacks and stacks of books cluttering up her home, while still being able to enjoy one of her favorite pastimes.

HEALTHCARE **Continued from Front Page**

Enter HealthcareBluebook.com. It's a website with fair market prices for medical procedures, based partly on your zip code. It's free, and pretty easy to use.

It also includes some procedures related to mental health. Many items or procedures also come listed with practicing physicians in your area, based again, on your zip code.

The searchable topics are clearly listed along the top of the website, divided into Hospital, Physician, Xray/imaging, labs, Cosmetic Medication, Hearing Aids, Medications and Dental.

What does 'fair market price' mean?

This is HealthcareBluebook. com's recommended price for health care services. The Healthcare Bluebook price is based on the typical fee that providers in your area accept as payment from insurance companies. This is the price you should have to pay, even if your provider charges more. You can use this price to negotiate with your provider or shop for an in-network provider that charges a "Fair Price."

Source HealthcareBluebook.com

Select medical prices, according to the Fenton 48430 zip code

Cardiac stent: \$21,682 Chicken pox vaccine: \$90 Abdominal MRI: \$556 Urine pregnancy test: \$17 Breast lift surgery: \$1,872 Sonic Endura hearing aids: \$1,999 Surgical root removal (dental): \$241

Propranolol (60-day supply): \$7

According to the site, fees can vary by 400 percent, depending on the facility location.

Tri-county fundraisers

Juried Craft Show at Our Savior

On Saturday, Nov. 8 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church in Hartland will host its fifth annual Harvest to Holiday Arts & Craft Show. Admission is free and door prizes donated by participating crafters will be awarded every hour. The event will also feature a bake sale and food concessions. All proceeds from the event benefit the Youth in Missions and other youth programs at Our Savior. Our Savior is located at 13667 W. Highland Road (M-59) in Hartland, just 3 miles east of U.S. 23. For details, go to craftshow.oursaviorhartland.org or call (248) 887-4300.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

THE MEA HAS spent millions of dollars for the deplorable ads against Gov. Snyder. I did research and found that Snyder has actually put money back into the schools. I have lost all respect for the teachers of Michigan.

I JUST VOTED and I am reminded of a quote from my favorite president, Ronald Reagan. 'The Republicans represent the hard working man, and the Democrats represent the man who's hardly working.' Nothing could be further from the truth.





Are annual furnace check-ups necessary?

You'll save money in the long-run, especially with Consumers Energy \$50 rebates

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emergency service

calls in the winter

are maintenance

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related. 77

Bryan McIntyre

By Sally Rummel

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 You don't want your furnace to stop working on one of the upcoming coldest days of the year. That's reason enough to schedule your furnace for a tune-up this fall season.

Heating and cooling experts estimate that up to 75 percent of no-heat calls in the winter are related to a lack of maintenance.

'Many of our emergency service calls in the winter are maintenance related," said Bryan McIntyre, owner of First Choice Heating & Cooling in Fenton.

Lack of preventative maintenance for their furnace is one of the biggest homeowner

mistakes, according to Dave Lamb of Dave Lamb Heating & Cooling in Fenton. "It's one of the largest, most expensive appliances in your home, yet it is often forgotten until it stops working."

Most homeowners in the tri-county area have already turned on their furnaces at some point during this fall, probably this past weekend as temperatures took a nosedive into the 30s. But it's not too late to schedule a furnace inspection for your

of your equipment. "A furnace should be checked every year, especially if it's over 10 years old," said Lamb.

on the mechanical workings of your furnace, as well as perform a safety check. "All furnaces make a little or a lot of carbon monoxide," said McIntyre of First Choice. "We'll perform a combus-

tion analyzer that will measure the amount, and check on the venting to make sure it doesn't get into the house."

monoxide exposure and 15,000 are taken to hospital emergency rooms.

tractor to heating contractor, but basic checks will include testing for carbon monoxide, inspection of the heat exchanger, testing of all safety controls, cleaning and checking burners and motors, and inspecting the filter and thermostat. Before you hire a company to See FURNACE on 9

own peace of mind and peak performance

A furnace inspection will check up

These carbon monoxide leaks can be hard for a homeowner to detect. because the gas is colorless and odorless. An estimated 500 people die

each year from carbon

Services will vary from heating con-

IQ

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or to be precise in the measure of relative intelligence. Intelligence can never be measured and IQ is not the measure of intelligence. IO is

4 To qualify for Mensa,

accepted, standardized

Local Secretary of the Southeast Michigan Mensa

one must score in the

top 2 percent on an

intelligence test. 77

simply the measure of relative intelligence derived by a single or set of standardized tests, according to iqtestexperts.com.

This same website offers an IQ test, upon which a test from this writer

found a score of 111, which is rated as "superior intelligence" on one testing

Billie Lee



scale, high average on another, and only average on yet another. (See sidebar)

The first IQ test was developed by French psychologist, Alfred Binet in 1905, and has been the base for all mod-

ern IQ tests that are used today. Binet had a passion for testing and measuring human capabilities. It was through Binet's studies and testing that the Binet Scale. or the Simon-Binet Sca, was derived. Through his work,

assisted by Theophile Simon, they devised a formula and calculated the IQ based upon their formula:

IQ = Mental Age/Chronological Age X 100

The term "intelligence quotient" was not in existence yet though. In 1912 Wilhelm Stern, a German psychologist, observed that even though the gap between mental age and chronological age widened as a child matures, the ratio between them remained constant.

According to iqtestexperts.com, in Stern's Binet test scoring system, an average IQ score was 100. Any score above 100 was above average, while any score below 100 was below average. American psychologist Lewis Terman revised Stern's test to be more compatible for all age groups. Terman was the first person to coin the term intelligence quotient. He also created the Stanford-Binet Intelligence Scal, which is one of the most widely used IQ tests to this day.

Those with a certain IQ can join a high IQ society, like Mensa. According to an

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email from Billie Lee, local secretary of the Southeast Michigan Mensa, "To qualify for Mensa, one must score in the top 2 percent on an accepted, standardized intelligence test." Lee added, "Because tests are normed differently, the actual score for admission can vary from test to test. For example, on the Stanford Binet, you would need an IQ of 132 for admission, but on the Wechsler tests, you would need an IQ of 130."

While the Mensa admission test will tell you if you are in the top 2 percent, it cannot give you your exact IQ. Lee said, "If one is interested in the actual number, I recommend they get tested by a licensed clinical psychologist."

What your IQ score might mean

According to Stanford-Binet scale, IQ is classified as following: Over 140 — Genius or almost genius 120 - 140 — Very superior intelligence 110 - 119 — Superior intelligence 90 - 109 — Average or normal intelligence 80 - 89 — Dullness 70 - 79 — Borderline deficiency in intelligence Under 70 — Feeble-mindedness Apart from the Stanford Binet-Scale, another scale popularly used is the Wechsler scale. Here, IQ is classified as: Over 130 — Very superior 120 - 129 — Superior 110 - 119 — High average

90 - 109 — Average

- 80 89 Low average 70 - 79 — Borderline
- Under 70 Extremely low/intellectually deficient

Besides, these two scales, which use a standard deviation of 15, another scale in popular use is the Cattell's scale, which uses a standard deviation of 24. According to Cattell's scale, IQ is classified as: Over 160 — Genius Level 140 - 159 — Highly Intelligent 120 - 139 — Above Average 100 - 119 — Average 90 - 99 — Below Average Source: iqtestexperts.com

HOT LINE CONTINUED

UNLESS THE SECRET SERVICE is given unambiguous authority to shoot anyone who climbs over the White House fence, without being secondguessed by people who will say 'he shot an unarmed man,") any president is needlessly at risk. You don't know who is armed or unarmed until it is too late.

TO THE IDIOT who thinks Obamacare eliminates your doctor or hospital you went to. You do that when you pick out the insurance you want to take Do you really want to go back and live underneath George W. Bush?

TO THE PERSON who thinks everyone has a driver's license to show to vote - not everyone needs one. Some live in an area where they don't need them, don't drive, and not everyone can really afford a driver's license.

I KNOW IT will never happen, but I'd like to see some laws made that would help the middle class save a couple bucks.

ROAD MILLAGE

Continued from Front Page The city could raise this money by levying 4-mil increase for 10 years, which would provide \$258,000 for the city per mil.

The millage rate is the amount per \$1,000 that is used to calculate taxes on property. If the additional 4 mils were passed, City Manager Lynn Markland said that residents with a taxable value of \$60,000 on their home for example, would see a tax increase of \$240 a year.

"Our taxes have dropped greatly in the last several years because of the decrease in value of property," Markland said. "People would still be paying less than they were seven years ago."

The millage increase would not be seen on ballots until next year so that the city council would have time to educate the public in regards to how the money would be spent and which roads would see improvements.

Mayor Sue Osborn wanted people to know that the millage was dedicated to the streets. "The money would not be used for anything else," she said.

The city council all stood in favor of taking the millage increase to a vote, though an increase of how much was one topic of debate.

Councilman Bradley Jacob said that raising less than 4 mils would not be helpful. "I don't want to be asking for money and not be able to show improvement," he said. "The only way to show improvement is to ask for 4 mils, as \$750,000 would only hold the status quo."

Other council members were in favor of possibly more than 4 mils, such as Councilman Scott Grossmeyer, who argued in favor of a 5-mil increase, allowing the city to improve the quality of more roads. "I want to make sure whatever we do is going to show an improvement and not just maintain fair roads."

Councilman David McDermott agreed with Grossmeyer saying, "Even with 4 mils, it is not much of an improvement."

Councilwoman Pat Lockwood spoke in favor of keeping the millage increase to just 4 mils. "The increase will be a burden to some people, and we have to have a little bit of a compromise on that," she said.

Councilman Les Bland, who once served as the city's head of Department of Public Works, said that it was important for the city to act sooner than later in regards to the roads. "It is overdue, we have been biting the bullet.... And we can't bite the bullet any more. If we don't do this now, we will have to spend a tremendous amount to fix them later," Bland said. "I don't like my taxes to increase, but if I know it's going to be done for our roads. and people know that, the people will vote for it."

As the Fenton City Council reached a consensus in that they wish to move forward with a millage increase, the specifics are expected to be worked out in the near future.

MIDWEEK TIMES



Search warrants

The likelihood that anyone reading this column will ever have anything to do with a search warrant is remote at best. However the fact remains that it is a possibility, and since most people have probably heard of search warrants but may not be fully aware of what they are, I thought for today's column a brief primer would be in order.

The Fourth Amendment to the United States Constitution provides that all of us have the right to be secure in our persons, houses, papers and effects against unreasonable searches and seizures. It also contemplates that when necessary and reasonable, searches can be conducted under the provisions of law with a proper search warrant.

The Amendment was enacted to assure the citizens of our newly formed country that they would not be subjected to the treatment that they endured under British colonial rule as to searches of their homes.

The Michigan Constitution Article 1, Section 11 also prohibits unreasonable searches and seizures. Michigan case law tells us the

following about search warrants.

The Fourth Amendment generally requires police to secure a warrant before conducting a search. A search warrant may only be issued after a showing of probable cause. Probable cause exists if there is a substantial basis for inferring a fair probability that contraband or evidence of a crime exists in the location to be searched. When probable cause is averred in an affidavit, the affidavit must contain facts within the knowledge of the affiant rather than mere conclusions or beliefs. However the affiant's experience is relevant to the establishment of probable cause. The affiant may not draw his own inferences, but must state the matters that justify drawing them.

Search warrants are signed by district court judges and magistrates. Historically they have widely been used to authorize searches of houses, buildings, records and even people.

In recent times they are also used to search computers, cellphones and other electronic and data devices for evidence of criminal activity.

Search warrants have been shown to be an effective investigative tool to determine the facts in a wide variety of criminal cases.

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GRAPES

Continued from Front Page the winery at Spicer Orchards isn't seeing any shortages. "Fortunately, we have had

another great and busy harvest season and are hoping this winter won't be any worse than last," said Ben Staub, cellar manager at Carriage House Cellars.

"We grow Traminette, Riesling, Catawba, Concord, and Niagara here at the Fenton farm and this summer's sun and rain helped everything come in a little early this year," he said.

According to the Michigan Grape and Wine Industry Council, more than 40 varieties of grapes are used for wine production in Michigan. Some

varieties, like Merlot, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Cabernet Franc, are more susceptible to damage from prolonged cold temperatures, according to their press release. Growers are preparing applications for USDA federal disaster assistance programs that will help mitigate some of their financial losses.

Linda Jones, executive director of the Michigan Grape and Wine Industry Council, said that there is a reason some grape harvests in the state will have done fine while others didn't fare so well.

"Snow cover was an important factor, as snow on the vines helps protect and insulate the vines," Jones said. Those grown where wind is likely to blow the protecting snow covering off are more vulnerable to the cold.

Jones also said that there are three different varieties of grapes grown in Michigan. There are native varieties, like concord and Niagara, which are very hardy and can withstand the cold temperatures. There are hybrids, like Traminette, which have a medium hardiness. Then there are

HOT LINE CONTINUED

I'M SURE THAT the PTO at Tomek had good intentions with the auction. Unintentionally, however, they created a popularity contest and have/have-not fundraiser. I am one of the many parents who could not afford to participate. Please consider a fundraiser that all families can choose to be part of.

LIBERALS KEEP SAYING conservatives will destroy the country. So let me ask you what happened to Detroit? Fourth largest city and highest per capita income in the country when you took over in 1960. Is this your dream for us all?

TAILGATERS ARE NOTHING more than 'bullies' in a vehicle. If I can't see your car front in my rear view mirror, you can't see my taillights. So back off! I drive the speed limit plus and I am sick of being pushed down the road by 'bullies.'

A BIG SHOUT out to all the election workers at Lake Fenton High School. Everyone was so well trained and friendly. It made the whole process of voting a pleasant experience.

TO THE PERSON who called in at the middle of the Lions game in England to complain about them stinking obviously you didn't watch until the end of the game. They were impressive. Go Lions!

WHAT'S UNUSUAL ABOUT talking to a soldier about George Bush?

the vinifera varieties, like Riesling, which are more sensitive to the cold.

There are approximately 250 wine grape growers in Michigan, and Jones said each of them has been impacted differently from the cold

winter. Michigan ranks in the top 10 states in wine grape production in the U.S., usually landing in the fifth to eighth position in ranking.

According to the Michigan Grape and Wine Industry Council, in 2015, consumers may face a reduced selection of styles and labels from Michigan's 2014 vintage due to the damage to cold-tender varieties. As long as prices stay the same, there's

nothing to be sour about.

Impact of the Michigan wine industry

Each year, Michigan's wine, grapes and grape juice products and related industries: Produce nearly \$790 million of total economic value to the State

of Michigan. •Pay more than \$42 million in state and local taxes in Michigan, and an additional \$42 million in federal taxes.

•Account for more than 5,000 jobs across the state, for a payroll

of more than \$190 million. Source: michiganwines.com

HOT LINE CONTINUED

REGARDING THEIR PLAYOFF loss, the Linden HS football coach was quoted as saying, 'The weather hurt us a little bit more than them.' How is that even possible? Both teams endured the same conditions. Play the talent, not the politics and maybe play in November one of these years.

FENTON SHOULD HAVE billboards warning out-of-towners to be extra defensive when they drive in this town. I witness the most reckless antics every day. The mind boggles at the clueless, self-entitled poor driving skills of this town's residents.

IN RESPONSE TO the rude comment about the 55 mph speed limit on Bennett Lake Road; there is a 'reduced speed ahead' sign prior to the 40 mph sign right before Katrine Hills sub. That means the previous speed was higher; 55 mph.

TO THINK THAT anyone would say a U.S. President could be a dictator is stupid. It was stupid when Naomi Wolf said it about George W. Bush on Thom Hartmann's radio show before the 2008 election and it's still stupid.

IF THE FENTON school board did such 'extensive' research on the purchase of the \$90,000 pool cover, then why doesn't it fit? Are we really going to spend even more money to redo the ceiling to make it fit?

IT WOULD BE wonderful if cameras were installed on Elizabeth Street behind the restaurant to mail tickets for wrong way drivers. So far, today we have seen 10 vehicles and it is early in the day. Maybe the Times could investigate and do a story on this ongoing problem.

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Ben Staub

Cellar Manager at

Carriage House Cellars

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TEACHERS

Continued from Page 3 procedures from scratch, as many were

already in place. The focus of the 50-minute period was

core strength and balance, using an Insanity Workout DVD. On Tuesday they'll go to the weight room. He said that the class is pretty much what he wants to make of it. At the end of class, the students sat on the mats, and Rogers preached about putting effort into class and congratulated the students that put effort forward.

"It's been awesome," he said, adding that he feels blessed to be working in this community, in a newer school building.

On the other side of the tri-county area, Mary Schwartz, 22, works as a family and consumer science teacher at Holly High School. She is one of five teachers hired at the high school, and 12 hired district-wide. Like Rogers, she's a brand new teacher.

She describes her area of focus as "what used to be home ec." It includes cooking, child care, health, interior design. It's that focus that helped her get a job before she even graduated from Western Michigan University.

She had heard schools were having trouble finding teachers in that focus area, so after changing majors several times she settled on the career she really wanted all along. She was hired in April of this year, adding that her mother was also a teacher. She also completed six months of substitute teaching.

"I was pretty familiar with what was required with the outside time commitments," she said.

Her advice for new teachers?"Fake it till they make it," she said. Projecting not only control, but genuine care for the students makes a big difference. "If you genuinely care about the kids, you're 80 percent of the way already," she said.

"It's definitely a lot of work," she said. "I'm looking forward to improving throughout the year."

Her biggest class is 35 students though it was 37 to start. Mentoring teachers have passed content onto her. She's comfortably planning ahead, while segueing plans for teachable moments.

She's not caught off guard by all the responsibility. She knew what she was getting into. "I do feel like I've gone from being in my 20s to being 30 overnight."

Her favorite aspect of the job is the relationships with the kids. "They're absolutely hilarious, they're fun," she said. "I don't have a day that I don't laugh at least once, it's good."

Rogers also said his favorite part of being a teacher is the students. He added that he's humbled to be a part of Linden schools, especially considering his legendary predecessor Andy Kargel, who passed away early this year.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO Students run through an Insanity Workout DVD in class Monday, for Lifetime Fitness.



KEY VOTES OF THE

2013/2014 SESSION

MichiganVotes.org is a free, non-partisan website created by the Mackinac Center for Public Policy to provide concise, nonpartisan, plain-English descriptions of every bill and vote in the Michigan House and Senate. While the Legislature is on a campaign season break from voting, the Roll Call Report continues a series reviewing key votes of the 2013-2014 session. This edition focuses on what are called

"economic development" bills.

House Bill 4782: Expand a corporate/ developer subsidy regime

To authorize creation of a sixth "Next Michigan Development Corporation, which is a government agency that gives tax breaks and subsidies to particular corporations or developers selected by political appointees on the entity's board, for projects meeting extremely broad "multi-modal commerce" criteria (basically, any form of goods-related commerce). The new entity would be in the Upper Peninsula.

Passed 87 to 23 in the House State Rep. Joe Graves (R-Argentine Township) 🔀 YES 🗆 NO

Passed 31 to 6 in the Senate											
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House Bill 4783: Expand a corporate/ developer subsidy regime again

To authorize creation of a seventh "Next Michigan Development Corporation" as described in the previous vote, except this one would probably be in Detroit. The Senate has not yet taken up this bill. Passed 83 to 27 in the House State Rep. Joe Graves (R-Argentine Township) 🗆 YES 🛛 🔀 NO

Senate Bill 536: Expand real estate development tax breaks

To authorize property tax exemptions for property owned by a nonprofit organization whose purpose is real estate development, if the local government agrees, and if the organization is approved by the political appointees on the board of the state agency responsible for granting and overseeing selective tax breaks and subsidies to particular corporations and developers

Passed 70 to 39 in the House State Rep. Joe Graves (R-Argentine Township) 🗆 YES 🛛 🔀 NO

Passed 36 to 0 in the Senate State Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Genesee County) 🔀 YES 🗆 NO State Sen. Dave Robertson (R-Genesee County)

🔀 YES

Senate Bill 146: Extend enterprise zone tax breaks to a particular developer

To revise a law that authorizes tax breaks for developers whose projects are in an area deemed a "neighborhood enterprise zone," in a way that would allow the tax break for a particular developer's project, notwithstanding this developer's failure to request the tax break before getting a building permit, which the current law requires. Several such bills come before the legislature each year and are usually passed. Passed 93 to 17 in the House State Rep. Joe Graves (R-Argentine Township)

🗙 YES 🗆 NO Passed 32 to 4 in the Senate State Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Genesee County) 🗆 YES 🔀 DID NOT VÕTE State Sen. Dave Robertson (R-Genesee County) 🗙 YES 🗆 NO

HOUSING MARKET

Continued from Front Page

RealtyTrac in its U.S. Home Equity and Underwater Report for the third quarter of 2014.

Michigan is behind only Nevada (31 percent), Florida (28 percent) and Illinois (26 percent). That's the bad news.

The good news is that these third quarter "negative equity" numbers were down to the lowest level since RealtyTrac began reporting it in the first quarter of 2012.

The news is even better in the tricounty area, although exact figures

My clients have all put money back in their pocket after selling their homes this year. 77 **Hollie Matlock**

aren't tracked through the Flint Area Association of Realtors. "The foreclosure and short sale listings are almost gone," said Kristy Cantleberry of ReMAX Grande in Grand Blanc. Back in 2009,

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over 7,000 homes were for sale. Today, there are about 1,800. This greater supply is driving the prices back up."

Housing prices are up about 10 to 15 percent since last year.

"There are fewer people 'badly' underwater," said Patrik Welty of Legacy Realty in Fenton. "People who had purchased homes at peak prices might still have to write a small check at closing, but it may be worth it for some people to be able to make a move."

Welty cites an example of a Holly couple that has been wanting to build a new home, but are still slightly underwater in their current house. "With all the new construction going on, they qualify for attractive terms," said Welty. "Even though they still owe a little on their current home, it's less than what the loss of incentives would be."

Hollie Matlock, Realtor at Coldwell Banker Professionals in Fenton, is seeing people break even on their homes more often than not. "My clients have all put money back in their pocket after selling their homes this year," she said. "People are moving forward again with confidence."

Kristy Cantleberry encourages people who think they are underwater to get a valuation of their home today. "It might be worth more than you think."

HOT LINE CONTINUED

DOES EVERYONE WONDER how the gas prices are able to drop drastically before the election? Beware America.

A NEW STUDY came out yesterday that talks about Obamacare in terms of costs rising next year. For mid-20-year-olds, it will rise between 45 and 78 percent, more for men than women. For mid-60-year-olds, it will rise between 23 and 37.5 percent. Again, higher costs for men. Thank you, president Obama.

OVER THE LAST six years Obama and the Democrats have given us increased taxes, including Obamacare. They have given us an \$18 trillion deficit, hurting our children for the future. They've weakened our military. They want to open up our borders and make 12 million illegal immigrants citizens, and take away our jobs. The Democrats are ruining our nation.

Feel good foods that really do make you happier

►Six foods proven to boost mood levels — dark chocolate tops the list

By Yvonne Stegall

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We're not talking about comfort foods here, no cupcakes and no fried chicken. These feel-good foods have something special in them that make the body and mind happy. While these foods might be mood enhancers, people who suffer from depression and low moods will still want to seek medical advice chocolate is not the cure for everything.

Speaking of chocolate, this tasty treat tops the list. According to Marjie Andrejciw at Marjie's Gluten-Free Pantry, "Chocolate is high in Phenyl-

ethylamine (PEA) which is an amino acid that gets converted to dopamine. Dopamine is a feel good neurotransmitter." Remember, when it comes to sweets that moderation is the key. One ounce of dark chocolate a day is enough to give you that happy energy boost you need.

Coffee is another brain and happiness boosting food. Caffeine boosts energy and makes you happier. Recent studies have even shown that about three cups of coffee a day can help those with mild cognitive impairment avoid fullfledged Alzheimer's disease, according to a recent article in Bottom Line.

Fish eaters should be happy to know that fish is high in omega 3 fatty acids (EPA and DHA) which help your brain work better. In fact, studies have shown that in countries where people eat a steady diet of fish there is less depression.

The folate in dark green vegetables, according to a Harvard study, affects mood. Thirty-eight percent of those with depression had low or borderline levels of folate in their systems and boosting the amount of folate actually improved their moods. Dark green veggies aren't the only ones good for you though, all vegetables are mood boosters to some extent.

The tryptophan in beans makes them a happy food. Tryptophan is another amino acid that stimulates the production of serotonin and makes you calm and relaxed. Beans also contain manganese, which helps prevent mood swings due to low blood sugar.

Nuts are another great feel good food because they are high in magnesium. A lack of magnesium in the body can cause you to feel irritable, tired and make it



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Nuts, such as almonds shown here, are high in magnesium. When we lack magnesium, we can feel irritable, tired and stressed.



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One ounce of dark chocolate a day is enough to give you that happy energy boost you might need.

L Dopamine is a feel good neurotransmitter.**77** Marjie Andrejciw Marjie's Gluten-Free Pantry

stressed. There are health reasons for deficiencies in magnesium, which include kidney disease, gastrointestinal disorders and diabetes. The best nuts for a happy day include almonds, walnuts, cashews and hazelnuts.

easier for you to become

Add a happy food or two to your daily routine and you could be smiling a little bit more in no time.

Feel good definitions

• **Amino acid** is a simple organic compound containing both a carboxyl and an amino group.

• **Dopamine** is a compound present in the body as a neurotransmitter and a precursor of other substances including epinephrine.

• **Caffeine** is a crystalline compound that is found especially in tea and coffee plants and is a stimulant of the central nervous system.

• **Omega 3 Fatty Acids** are an unsaturated fatty acid of a kind occurring chiefly in fish oils, with three double bonds at particular positions in the hydrocarbon chain.

• Folate, or folic acid, is a B vitamin. • Tryptophan is an amino acid that is a constituent of most proteins. It is an essential nutrient in the diet of vertebrates.

• **Manganese** is considered an essential nutrient, because the body requires it to function properly.

• **Magnesium** is a key mineral in human metabolism. *Source: Google.com*

HOT LINE CONTINUED

TO ALL THE people that are worried about the speed limits in Michigan. First, the state of Michigan publishes a booklet that tells you what the speed limit is. It also mentions changing speeds due to road conditions. Read the law on speed limits.

I KNOW FOR a fact that the cigarette companies are giving millions of dollars to our leaders so that they won't say anything bad about smoking. Money talks. Stop smoking now and your family will be healthier, wealthier and smarter.

I WISH WHEN I was young I would have known that God knows and can see everything we do. I am sure I would have been a better person.

FURNACE

Continued from Page 5 do a tune-up, ask what's included. You'll likely pay anywhere from \$80 to \$150, depending on services provided.

Not only heating companies recommend annual inspections, but also equipment manufacturers and Michigan's largest utility, Consumers Energy.

Consumers Energy offers rebates through its HouseCall appliance service plans. "It's a \$50 rebate on furnace maintenance as long as you are a Consumers Energy gas customer," said McIntyre. "We will fill out the forms and submit it online for you."

Just as in car maintenance, furnace tune-ups can be about catching a problem before your furnace quits running in the middle of the night. Hiring a contractor to prevent such a problem, compared to hiring a contractor on a weekend in an emergency – that's priceless.

Just like your vehicle, your furnace needs to be tuned-up to keep your system working optimally. This will decrease the chances of breakdown when you need it the most. **77** Karla Michael

One Hour Heating and Cooling

FIVE REASONS TO HAVE YOUR FURNACE INSPECTED:

1. Greatly decrease the chance of a breakdown. Systems tend to break when they are working the hardest, i.e., on Thanksgiving. When doors are opening and closing on a cold day, the furnace has to work that much harder to maintain the indoor temperature.

2. Increases the longevity of your furnace. The more you keep your furnace running at optimum efficiency, the more money you keep in your wallet.
3. Keeps your energy costs down, by preventing spikes or increases to your monthly utility bill.

4. Validates your current warranty or extended warranty. Some warranties become voided or deny coverage if equipment is not regularly maintained by a licensed HVAC professional.

5. Increases the health and safety of those who live in your home, by checking for omission that contain harmful gases like carbon monoxide, methane, etc.

Important note: all homes with fossil fuel appliances should have an updated and active CO detector located on each floor.





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

DVD RELEASES



MALEFICENT 'Maleficent" explores the untold

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story of Disney's most iconic villain from the classic "Sleeping Beauty" and the elements of her betrayal that ultimately turn her pure heart to stone. Driven by revenge and a fierce desire to protect the moors over which she presides, Maleficent cruelly places an irrevocable curse upon the human king's newborn infant Aurora. As the child grows, Aurora is caught in the middle of the seething conflict between the forest kingdom she has grown to love and the human kingdom that holds her



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legacy. Maleficent realizes

to peace in the land and is

that Aurora may hold the key

forced to take drastic actions

that will change both worlds

forever. PG, 1 hr. 37 min

Comics' Hercules by Steve Moore, this ensemble-action film is a revisionist take on the classic myth, Hercules. The epic action film also stars Golden Globe Winner Ian McShane, Rufus Sewell, Joseph Fiennes, Peter Mullan and Academy Awardnominee John Hurt. PG-13, 1 hr. 39 min

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Lots of choices could make it difficult to select what is best for your needs. Avoid snap judgments. Take the time to check them all out to find the one that really meets your goals.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You could once again experience pressure from others who would like to see you move in another direc-

tion. But heed your Bovine instincts to stay on your own path.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Taking charge of a project that seems to be about to stall or collapse altogether could be a challenge. But once everyone knows what you expect of him or her, things should go smoothly.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Avoid the pressures of the upcoming holiday period by setting a time right now to discuss how to divide up the responsibility of helping a loved one come through a difficult period

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LEO (July 23 to August 22) It's not too early for all you Leonas and Leos to start making longdistance travel plans. The sooner you stop procrastinating and start deciding where, when and how you're going, the better.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

Someone you've known for years might disappoint you, or even make you feel you've been betrayed. But check the facts carefully before you make charges that could backfire on you

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) A holiday plan might need to be revised to accommodate an unexpected complication. Come up with an alternative arrangement as soon as possible to avoid more problems down the line.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Don't accept halfway explanations for a situation that requires full disclosure. The more you know now, the better able you will be to handle any complications that might arise.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) The cooperation you relied upon might not be easy to get. Maybe there's an information gap. See if everyone understands the situation. If not, be sure to offer a full explanation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

Problems caused by that recent workplace distraction should soon be easing, allowing you to resume working at a less frantic pace. That personal matter also begins to ease up.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Changing your mind about a job de-

cision isn't easy for the usually committed Aquarian. But once you check it out, you'll find facts you didn't know before. And facts don't lie.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20)

Your unique way of sizing up a situation gives you an edge in resolving that upsetting workplace problem. Stay on your current course regardless of any attempts to distract you.

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Fenton, Linden football fall in opening round



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SCOTT SCHUPBACH Harrison's Brendann Brown during the Hawks' 42-10 Division 2 district Harrison's running game proves too much for Tigers during second half, 42-10

By David Troppens dtroppens@tctimes.com

Fenton — The 10th-ranked Fenton varsity football team's perfect regular season ended quite abruptly during the postseason.

Despite the Tigers (9-1) leading 10-7 at halftime, Farmington Hills Harrison scored 35 unanswered points in the second half, leading the Hawks to a 42-10 Division 2 regional semifinal victory against the Tigers at Fenton High School Saturday night.

The Hawks (8-2) crushed the Tigers with their potent run game, running for 398 yards on 44 carries. Harrison's starting quarterback Jevon Shaw rambled for 157 vards and had TD runs of 62 and 59 yards before being hurt in the second half and leaving the game. His 59-yard TD run gave Harrison a 14-10 lead with 7:48 left in the third quarter, but even without him in the game, two others scored on TD runs in the fourth

quarter. Brendann Brown scored on TD runs of 1 and 10 yards, while Jared Char had a 36 yard TD run. In between Brown's TD scampers, Tyrone Lyte had a 35yard interception return for a TD. The Hawks scored 28 points in the final quarter.

"I don't want to make excuses, but we had a lot of injuries," Fenton senior Connor Kovacs said. "We toughened up and everyone played, but we just couldn't finish."

Kovacs was one of the defensive players to get hurt. Another was Paul Idoni. Their injuries made it easier for Harrison to run the ball despite Shaw being out.

"They have a lot of great individual talent," Fenton coach Jeff Setzke said. "There's no doubt about it, and they have great size. We don't play teams in our league as good as them."

The Tigers, who defeated See TIGERS on 13

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> Fenton's defense, led by Scott Becker (center) tackle Farmington Hills opening victory against the Fenton Tigers on Saturday.

Slow start costs Eagles vs. Mason, 28-13

By David Troppens

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Linden — During Halloween's cold, wind and snow, the Linden varsity football team's season came to an end on Friday.

Mason's star running back Hunter Holbrook ran for 191 yards and scored firsthalf touchdowns from 1, 17 and 28 yards, leading the Bulldogs to a 28-13 victory at Linden High School in the Division 3 district opener on Friday night.

"We've practiced in weather like this once, but it wasn't this cold," Linden senior Kyle Korman said. "It definitely hurt us since we are a 50-50 run-pass team. Without the passing game we had to rely entirely on the run. And with them being in mostly a run league, they knew how to stop the run and that kind of killed us. We tried to get something going. Some plays worked. Some plays didn't. It was just kind

of a rough night."

The Eagles trailed 21-0 at the half due to Holbrook's running, but Linden did put them back into the game during the third quarter. A big punt return gave the Eagles the ball back at the Mason 29 with 8:20 left in the third quarter. Three plays later, Ryan Young scored on a sweep to the left side on a 29-yard run. Bailey Davis, whose extra point kick went through the crossbar and almost came back through the opposite way because of the wind, made the PAT, cutting Mason's lead to 21-7 with 6:54 left in the third quarter.

Just three plays later, Mason fumbled the ball and Korman recovered. The Eagles offense responded with a nine-play 48-yard drive, for a TD. Ethan Quesnelle kept the ball and rambled four yards for score. The See EAGLES on 12



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I MARK BOLEN

Linden's Ryan Young had 110 rushing yards in the Eagles' 28-13 loss to Mason on Friday night.



Linden boys XC finishes seventh at state, girls place 10th

► Ferrara, Torok capture All-State credentials

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 In a lot of ways, it's been kind of an atypical season for the Linden varsity boys cross country team.

The Eagles are used to competing for Metro League championships, but never were a serious threat for a crown this year, placing third. The squad also is a traditional threat to win regional crowns, but this season had to sneak into the state meet by taking third place.

But once the Eagles were at Michigan International Speedway, competing at the Division 2 state meet, Linden proved itself to be among the state's elite placing seventh at the event.

It marked the ninth straight year the Eagles competed at the state meet and the eighth time in those nine seasons the squad finished within the top 10 of the state.

The Linden varsity girls cross country team also found itself in the top 10, placing 10th.

Both Linden coaches were pleased with their teams' performance.

"On the heels of a subpar regional performance, I thought the team bounced back with a strong performance," Linden boys cross country coach Clint Lawhorne said. "Andy Bennett, Jack Eck and Chase Morse each ran personal best times under windy and cold conditions. this group went into the finals ranked 10th, so the seventh-place finish exceeded expectations of the ranking committee."

"Going into the state finals, the team was not ranked in the top 10," Linden girls cross country coach Teresa Wright said. "This was an amazing accomplishment. They worked very hard to earn the regional championship, took that level and mental toughness with them into the state finals."

The Linden boys were paced by All-State performer senior Ryan Torok. Torok finished in 30th place with a time of 16:21.9, just .4 seconds in the All-State positions. Meanwhile, senior teammate Mikey Varacalli placed 32nd (16:22.6), just missing the top 30 by .7 seconds.

The rest of Linden's scoring five were Jack Eck in 98th (17:03.5), Nick McDonald in 112th (17:09.1) and Andy Bennett in 119th (17:11.2). Linden's other two runners were Chase Morse in 143rd (17:22.4) and Kagen Griffith in 195th (17:51.9).

The Metro League proved strong at the meet with Clio placing fourth. Linden's seventh-place 263 team point total was just eight behind sixth-place Chelsea, but just six ahead of eighth-place and GAC champions Corunna, a squad that beat Linden at regionals.

The Linden girls also had an All-State performer. Savannah Ferrara placed 25th in 19:10.6, earning a spot in the top 30 by about 10 seconds. It marked the third straight year the Eagles had a runner end the season by placing in the top 30 and earning All-State honors.

"She wanted this recognition since the 2013 state finals," Wright said about Ferrara earning All-State honors. "Sa-





TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SETH NORMINGTON Linden's cross country program had two All-State performers at the Division 2 state meet

on Saturday. They were Savannah Ferrara (left) and Ryan Torok (front right). The Linden boys placed seventh as a team, while the Linden girls took 10th.

vannah saved her best two performances for the last two races of her high school career."

The rest of Linden's performers were Jordan Holscher in 66th (19:53.7), Taylor Ganger in 82nd (20:01.5), Courtney Davis in 103rd (20:20.4), Kailee Corcoran in 147th (20:56.2), Maya Gossett in 158th (21:00.9) and Sydney Ganger in 224th (22:11.1).

Taylor Ganger and Corcoran had personal best times.

Fenton swimmers defeat Swartz Creek

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 The Fenton varsity swim team will be headed into this week's Metro League

meet halfway to another league title. The Tigers locked up that honor by completing an undefeated Metro League season with a 97-80 victory against Swartz Creek. The score doesn't indicate the lopsidedness of the meet because the Tigers swam the last three events as exhibitions, keeping them from scoring points. The Tigers took first in 11 events, with six different performers winning an individual event. The only person to win two individual events was Bri Costigan in the 50 freestyle (25.87) and the 100 freestyle (56.76). The other individual winners were Cameron Mathews in the 200 individual medley (2:35.86) Zoe Weinberg in diving (230.20), McKenzie Mead in the 100 butterfly, Emma Cagle in the 500 freestyle (5:55.95), Elise Cassidy in the 100 back-See FENTON on 13

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extra point was blocked, but the Eagles were now within 21-13 with 1:40 left in the third quarter.

Mason responded with a score of its own on the Bulldogs' next play from scrimmage. Quarterback Jarrett VanHavel hit Cameron Nickerson with a quick pass, and Nickerson ran 66 yards for the score. The extra point raised Mason's lead to 28-13 with 1:26 left.

It looked like Linden (6-4) was going to answer right back. The Eagles converted two third-down plays and drove the ball to the Mason 9 in 11 plays, setting up a thirdand-7 situation. The Eagles attempted two passes. The first was bobbled off a defender to Linden's Marshael Ryan, who couldn't handle the wobbly ball. The second was a complete pass to Nolan Hill, but one yard short of the first down. Mason had the ball with 8:32 remaining.

The Bulldogs basically iced the game on their next possession, running 11 straight run plays and driving the ball to the Linden 28. By the time Linden got the ball back there was just 2:25 remaining. The Eagles attempted four straight passes but all fell incomplete, basically ending the comeback attempt.

"We made a couple of adjustments at halftime and they definitely worked," Linden co-coach Denny Hopkins said about the second half's better production. "But it was tough. It's unfortunate we didn't put it in the endzone when we had the chance. We could've cut it to one touchdown with nine minutes left in the game."

Mason's ground game was potent in the first half, with 133 of Holbrook's yards coming in the opening 24 minutes. His first score came on a 17-yard run up the middle on the second play of the second quarter. The next came on the second play of Mason's next possession, on a 28-yard run up the middle. The third came on an eight-play 55-yard drive in which Holbrook ran the ball on every play.

Mason ran for 272 yards on 41 carries. Linden's workhorse was Ryan Young who ran for 110 tough yards on 26 carries. Quesnelle completed 8-of-17 passes for 36 yards.

Holly boys place 11th at MIS

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 The Holly varsity boys cross country

team had a lot of high goals this season. That list included defending the Bronchos' Metro League title, winning a regional championship and finishing in the top five at the Division 1 state cross country meet.

The Bronchos were able to capture two of those lofty accomplishments and had to settle a tiny bit at Michigan International Speedway on Saturday.

The Bronchos capped their strong season by taking 11th at the state meet, seven points out of a top-10 finish. The effort, however, was better than last year's 15th-place effort.

"This was a good year," Holly coach Rich Brinker said. "You never know what's going to happen. Stuff happens. We set the bar high, and looking back the crazy thing is we (were competitive with the top teams this season). ... Last year we were 15th and were pretty excited about being top 15. This year we improved to 11th. It's bittersweet. I'm sure there were 15 other teams that were there that would've switched with us for sure."

Holly's top runner was Dilon Lemond,

who finished the race in 39th in 16:01.6. Just behind him was senior teammate Nate Frasier in 40th (16:02.7). The rest of Holly's state runners were Kurtis Cooley in 59th (16:13.6), Dino Vivanco in 159th (16:57.1), Zac Felix in 172nd (17:02.4), Blake Staffne in 193rd (17:11.7) and Ben Stevens in 203rd (17:19.2).

The Holly seniors, — including Frasier, Cooley, Vivanco, Felix and Stevens — have helped bring the Bronchos to a higher level than they've been in decades.

"They are awesome kids and make good decisions," Brinker said. "The other kids looked up to the seniors of the past because they were older and faster, but they looked up to this group because they have the whole package. They are great students, great runners and are also hard workers."

IndividualsattheDivision1statemeet The Holly girls had one runner at the state meet. That was freshman Samantha Tschirhart, who posted a 90thplace time of 19:26.8. Fenton also had a runner at the girls meet. Jenna Keiser placed 112th in 19:49.5.

Meanwhile, the Fenton boys had one individual compete at the state meet. Jacob Lee placed 212th in 17:24.3.





TRI-COUNTY TIMES I JULIA TSCHIRHART

Holly's Dino Vivanco (left) was one of the Holly varsity boys cross country team's 11thplace squad at the Division 1 state meet. (Right) Holly's girls cross country team was represented by Samantha Tschirhart.

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Harrison at home in the opening round of the playoffs in 2012, couldn't repeat the magic this time. However, for a half it looked like Fenton could. A bad snap on a punt attempt by Harrison on its first possession, gave Fenton the ball on the Hawks' 22. After converting a fourth-and-11 play with a Ross Ebert 11-yard completion to Alec Thomas, Fenton scored two plays later on a two-yard TD run by Bryce Roney. Evan Gornick made the extra point and the Tigers led 7-0 with 9:27 left in the first quarter.

The Hawks looked poised to tie the game up on their next possession, driving to the Fenton 1, but a fumbled snap ended that drive at the 2. A fumbled snap and recovery by Fenton's Scott Becker ended Harrison's next possession, but the problem was while the defense was able to get stops, the Tiger offense couldn't score again. The offense moved the ball to the Harrison 35 on the Tigers' next possession, but Roney was held for a three-yard loss on fourth-and-1 ending that drive. Harrison responded by scoring on the next play when Shaw scored on a 62-yard QB

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stroke (1:07) and Lauren Gruber in the 100 breaststroke (1:18.72). All three relays won as well. They were the 200 medley relay of Cassidy, Gruber, Mead and Costigan (2:05.06); the 200 freestyle relay team of Gruber, Siefker, Kiersten Rezanka and Cagle (1:59.21); and the 400 freestyle relay team of Costigan, Cassidy, Mathews and Cagle (4:16.18).

"We had some tired swims because of the week, but for where we are, I was very happy with our performance," Fenton swim coach Brad Jones said. "The girls are excited about next week."

The Metro meet starts on Friday with the finals being on Saturday at Fenton High School. sweep. Sean Dickens made the extra point and the game was tied 7-all with 7:19 left in the half.

Fenton capped the half with its last scoring drive of the contest. With 2:41 left in the half, the Tigers orchestrated a 12-play drive which ended in a 41-yard field goal by Gornick. Fenton led 10-7 at the half. However, Fenton's fortunes ended right there. The Tigers were forced to punt on their first possession of the second half, and Harrison responded with Shaw's 59-yard TD run on its first possession. Harrison led 14-10 and never trailed again.

The Tigers moved the ball to the Harrison 49 on their next possession, but were forced to punt. On the return Shaw got hurt, but the Hawks only got better, scoring on a 70-yard drive in nine plays on Brown's tough 10-yard run. On the next play from scrimmage, a pass bounced off a Fenton receiver into Lyte's hand for a 35-yard interception return for a score. Fenton trailed 28-10, and were pretty much out of the game from that point.

Fenton had just 196 yards total offense with Ebert completing just 10-of-31 passes for 104 yards. Roney had 56 rushing yards on 12 carries while Dominic Weiss had 49 on 12 attempts.

The loss couldn't erase a 9-0 regular season, the first at Fenton since 1985. Also, the senior class capped their careers with an outright Metro League title this year and a co-championship last season.

"The bonds we made here are never going to break," Ebert said. "Even if we were 0-9, the relationships you make with the guys on the team are fun. We won't be the first team to go 10-0, but I'll tell you what, it was a successful season."

Ebert's thoughts were a common theme among the seniors.

"I'll remember 20 years ago and we were the team that went 9-0 and regained that legacy," Cody Stokes said. "Fenton football is family. I love everyone on the team. We all get together."

"It's family and I loved every second of it," Kovacs said. "Great teammates, great community — it's just a great time."



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Clover Arlene Klamer age 96, of Louisville, KY formerly of Fenton

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Chapel, 209 E. Broad St, Linden. Pastor Lloyd Hall officiating. Interment will follow at Oakwood Cemetery in Fenton. Visitation will be from 11 AM Friday until the time of service. Arlene was born July 16, 1918 in Cleveland, OH, the only child of Frank and Clover Branch. She spent her childhood in Geneva, OH, graduating as Valedictorian of her high school class. Arlene earned a BA in chemistry with Phi Beta Kappa honors from the College of Wooster (Ohio). She then worked as a medical technologist before marrying Army Lt. Walter G. Klamer on March 21, 1943 at Camp Rucker, AL. After her children were born, Arlene worked as a local radio announcer and employment counselor before beginning her teaching career. Her real calling was as a chemistry and physics teacher in Ohio. Her students earned state awards for research and many later had careers in scientific fields. In 1965 Arlene received her MA in chemistry from the University of Idaho. After retirement she and Walt moved to Fenton to be near their daughter Nancy and family. Both became members of the



of Fenton and sang in the choir. In 1990 they moved to Sun City Center, FL to escape Michigan winters. After Walt died Arlene returned to Fenton. Later she moved to Louisville to be near her son

First Presbyterian Church

Tom. She enjoyed flower gardening, sea shell collecting, family camping and fishing in northern Ontario and domestic and international travel. Arlene was accomplished at knitting, cross stitching, needle point, quilting and cooking, especially at the holidays. Her greatest passion after retirement was contract bridge and she belonged to several groups in Fenton, Flint and Florida. Arlene's devotion to the game resulted in her becoming a Life Master as awarded by the American Contract Bridge League. In 1983 she was a three day winner on television's Wheel of Fortune. Surviving are: son, Dr. Thomas (Rochelle) Klamer; daughter, Nancy (Bion) Hoeg; grandsons, Bradley (Kristen) Klamer and Brian Klamer; granddaughter, Dr. Karin (John) Rampton; and great-grandsons, Alex and Tom Rampton. Arlene was preceded in death by her husband, Walter and granddaughter, Alison (Hoeg) Schoenherr. Those desiring may make donations to the First Presbyterian Church of Fenton. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Terri L. Yovich - age 53, of Holly, formerly of Clarkston, died Novem-



rison, Amber, Presleigh, Aleigha and Jason Yovich; grandma "Zsa-Zsa" of Beckham and Isleigh; daughter of Carolyn (Arthur) Edlund; sister of Bill (Nancy) McMaster and Nikki (Richard) Rey; also survived by several nieces, nephews and family members. "Zsa-Zsa" was passionate about her friends and family and deeply touched the lives of many. Terri was the life of the party, the shining light that left a trail of glitter everywhere she went. Funeral service Wednesday, 10 AM at Lewis E.Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston where friends visited Tuesday, 4–9 PM. Interment All Saints Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Rainbow Connection. Online guestbook www. wintfuneralhome.com.

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Eligible project activities will be available for public viewing at the Clerk's Office, 102 Civic Dr., Holly MI 48442.

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All interested citizens are requested to attend the Hearing. Comments will also be received in writing or in person at the Village of Holly Municipal Offices located at 300 East Street, Karl Richter Center, Holly, MI 48442 until November 18, 2014 at 5:30 pm.

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