Ideal 2015 ski season has nine weeks left

By Tim Jagielo

Groveland Twp. — While the casual skiers have fun on one side of Mt. Holly Wednesday night, high school teams, including the Fenton/Linden Ski Team, compete on the other.

Amidst all of this, Josh Petrusha, 13, of Ortonville was receiving a lesson in order to get his advanced “white patch” from instructor Jeff Strausser. The goal for a lesson is simple — make sure they learn and have fun.

This is of course what skiing is all about. The tri-county area is fortunate to have most types of recreation nearby. The current ski season will last until around the end of March, depending on the weather.

“Our snow conditions are amazing right now,” said Kurt Payne, assistant ski school director.

Payne said learning to ski or snowboard is a great way to break up the Michigan winter, adding that it’s a full-body workout as well. New students range in ages 3 to 80 and Chuck Gosh is an instructor in his 80s. There is terrain for all ages and skill levels.

See SKI on 2B
Do you know your credit score?

“Yes, because I just took out an equity line loan.”
— Mike Herrington
Harford

“I am aware. My credit card bill has the score on it when it comes.”
— Renee Preister
Tyrone Township

“Yes, because I work with a financial planner.”
— Denise McDowell
Tyrone Township

“Yes, we refinanced and my information was compromised when I retired.”
— Skip Getz-Walsh
Fenton

“My husband is familiar with it, due to him being the provider for the family.”
— Kelli Edgar
Argente Township

“Yes, when I did a loan application. I also have access, a credit union, and my auto insurance tells me.”
— Mike Bickford
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Instructor Jeff Strausser (right) preps Josh Petrusha, 13, of Ortonville on his White Patch lesson Wednesday evening.

**SKI**

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For anyone looking to try out skiing for the first time, Payne recommends a ski lesson, to learn how to be safe and in control on the slopes, and renting equipment onsite.

There are private one-on-one groups and group lessons. For skiing, groups range from six to eight participants, snowboarding has four to six. “Skiing is easier to learn, but harder to master,” said Payne. “Snowboarding is harder to learn, but easier to master.”

Payne said that skiing better mimics more familiar activities like walking, skating or rollerblading, whereas with snowboarding, you have to get used to your feet strapped to a snowboard.

If you decide to get serious about skiing, buying goggles, ski boots and proper attire for warmth is important. Payne said that new skiers can sometimes be unprepared for the cold and wet weather.

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**THIS WEEK’S INSERTS**

- Alpine Marketplace
- CVS Pharmacy
- Holly Foods
- Kmart
- Rite Aid
- Sears Hometown Stores
- Target
- VG’s
- Walmart
- Yes! Coupon Book
**EYE-OPENING STATISTICS ABOUT OUR VALENTINE’S DAY HABITS**

**Cost of Love**

- **$18.9 billion**
  - Total amount U.S. customers are expected to spend on Valentine’s Day in 2015. Up from last year’s total of $17.3 billion.

- **54.9 percent**
  - Of U.S. adults (18+) plan on celebrating Valentine’s Day in 2015.

- **45.1 percent**
  - Of U.S. adults (18+) do not plan on celebrating Valentine’s Day in 2015.

- **53%**
  - Plan on buying candy, spending a total of $1.7 billion.

- **21%**
  - Plan on buying jewelry, spending a total of $4.8 billion.

- **38%**
  - Plan on buying flowers, spending a total of $2.1 billion.

- **3.6 million**
  - Number of times the heart emoticon was used by women on Facebook last Valentine’s Day.

- **335,000**
  - People changed their status from “In a relationship” to “Single” on Facebook within 4 days of Valentine’s Day in 2014.

- **339,000**
  - People changed their status from “In a relationship” to “Single”.

- **146,000**
  - People changed their status to “engaged”.

- **339,000**
  - People changed their status from “Single” to “In a relationship”.

- **21.2 percent**
  - Of Americans plan on including their pets in their Valentine’s Day plans for 2015. Spending a mere $5.28 on average, which equates to a whopping $703 million.

- **$142.31**
  - The average person celebrating Valentine’s Day will spend on candy, flowers, apparel and more, up from $133.91 last year.

- **3.6 million**
  - Number of times the heart emoticon was used by women on Facebook last Valentine’s Day.

- **<3 million**
  - Number of times the heart emoticon was used by women on Facebook last Valentine’s Day.

**Additional Facts**

- **Over 36 million**
  - Heart-shaped boxes of chocolate are sold for Valentine’s Day each year.

- **Over 1 million**
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**Sources:** nrf.com, facebook.com
Holly Washington Club hosts 12th luncheon

George Washington favorites — ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans and cherry pie

By Yvonne Stegall
ystegal@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792

Poet Robert Frost once said, “I often say of George Washington that he was one of the few in the whole history of the world who was not carried away by power.”

This humbleness of Washington may be why one of our founding fathers is still celebrated each year by the citizens of Holly.

The Holly Washington Club is the oldest continuous running George Washington Club in the U.S. Each year, they honor Washington with a banquet to celebrate his birth.

This year marks the 120th year, and the banquet will be hosted at the First Baptist Church, 15030 North Holly Rd., on Thursday, Feb. 19, beginning at 12 p.m. Tickets are $7.

Lunch will be served, including cherry pie. Traditionally, the meal consists of ham, scalloped potatoes, carrot salad, green beans and rolls. They will also have a speaker.

Guests will enjoy great food, patriotic songs and good company. In order to be part of this Holly tradition, reservations must be made by Thursday, Feb. 12 by calling (248) 634-5393 or (248) 634-7382.

Feeling incapable? Join the club

Immense potential lurks within each of us waiting to be used for the glory of God and the good of others. Unfortunately, much of this vast reservoir of talent and energy remains unused because of the fear of failure. Perhaps you’re one of these reluctant ones.

Opportunity keeps knocking but you’re afraid to open the door. Highly talented people make you feel inferior so you retreat from meaningful service to your church and community. You’d like to get involved but are afraid to take the risk. Consider a few others who might have been overcome by the fear of failure had they listened to their critics and surrendered to their doubts.

Einstein couldn’t speak until he was 4 years old and didn’t read until he was 7.

Beethoven’s music teacher said of him: ‘As a composer he’s hopeless.’

Thomas Edison’s teacher said he was unable to learn.

Walt Disney was once fired by a newspaper editor because he was thought to be without ideas.

Caruso was told by one music teacher: ‘You can’t sing. You have no voice at all.’

An editor said Los Alamos poet, who wrote ‘Little Women,’ would never be able to write anything that would have popular appeal.

Dwight L. Moody, now considered one of the most effective evangelists of all time, had a fifth-grade education and once wept before an audience, saying ‘God forgive a man who cannot properly speak the English language.’

The disciples of Jesus were without impressive credentials, being called ignorant and unlearned, but their contemporaries found it impossible to ignore them because their lives demonstrated they had found something others needed. Their dedication, courage and faith made them world changers (Acts 17:6).

God seems to enjoy using weak but willing people to do great things to the amazement of those who are thought to be better qualified. The following title of a book I noticed in a pastor’s library once caught my eye and lingered in my memory: ‘Why God Uses Nobodies.’ Though I’ve never read the book, its challenging title keeps encouraging me to attempt things I might have thought too difficult for me to do.

Have you been afraid to get involved? Do you feel incapable of accomplishing anything important?

Reject those negative thoughts. You’re a candidate for greatness. Others need what you have to offer. Don’t waste your life sitting on the sidelines. Get into the game.

Start where you are and see what adventures open to you. Join the club of the weak but willing, whose members have refused to be counted out and are now remembered as people who made a difference.

Roger Campbell was an author, a broadcaster and columnist who was a pastor for 22 years. He died on Jan. 5, 2015 at the age of 94. Contact us at nwministry@ameritech.net
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Contact Amy’s attention, mastudley@comcast.net.
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Seeks Land Agricultural Lease

The VA National Cemetery Administration is requesting offers to lease approximately 256 acres of land for agricultural purposes in Holly, Michigan. The property being offered for lease is undeveloped land located at the Great Lakes National Cemetery at 4200 Belford Road, Holly, Michigan 48442. Expressions of interest are due no later than February 20, 2015. Point of Contact: Pam Peckham, VA Project Manager, (202) 362-2725, pam.peckham@va.gov

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON
PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE

At their meeting of February 2, 2015 the Fenton Township Board adopted Ordinance No. 776, an amendment to Illicit Discharge and Connection Stormwater Ordinance No. 769 to revise language relating discharge prohibitions. Complete copies of the ordinance may be obtained at the office of the Fenton Township Clerk, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430. The ordinance is also available on Fenton Township’s website at www.fentontownship.org.

TYRONE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS
HELD FEBRUARY 3, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M.

1. Present: Supervisor Mike Cunningham, Clerk Keith Kremmer, Treasurer Marna Bunting-Smith, Trustees Chuck Schultz, Cam Gonzalez, and Soren Pedersen.
   Absent: Trustee David Walker.
2. Agreed to the agenda as presented; approved the consent agenda as presented.
3. Received and placed on file Communications #1-12.
5. Authorized the distribution of allocated funds to Hartland Senior Center.
6. Approved the adjustments to the 2014-2015 budget as presented.
7. Agreed to not place the public safety special assessment on the May 2015 ballot. A public hearing will be held instead.
8. Adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

The minutes of all regular and special Tyrone Township Board Meetings are on file and may be reviewed at the Tyrone Township Clerk’s office, 10408 Center Road, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and online at www.tyronetownship.us.

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION PROPOSAL
GROUNDS SERVICES

Lake Fenton Community Schools (the “District”) is requesting Qualification Proposals from potential vendors to establish a contract through negotiations for the provision of non-instructional grounds services for the District. This application is a screening mechanism to narrow the field of vendors such that the District may carefully evaluate and identify potential qualified vendors. After the screening process, only qualified vendors will receive detailed bid specification for submission and review by the District.

All Qualification Proposal submissions are due no later than February 23, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.
Qualification Proposals shall be submitted to:
Lake Fenton Community Schools
Attn: Wayne S. Wright, Superintendent
11425 Torrey Road
Fenton, Michigan 48430

Specifics regarding the Request for Qualification Proposal may be obtained by contacting Katy Wade at 810.591.2532 or kwade@lakefentonschools.org.

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY FEBRUARY 24, 2015 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:
ZBA15-003 Zenon Fedirko, 16443 Lock Dr. Linden
Requesting a site line back variance to construct a deck at 5025 Harp Dr. Parcel 06-29-577-011

ZBA15-004 Dominick Gayette, 13121 Log Cabin Point, Fenton
Requesting site line, side yards, total two sides and accessory building sq. footage variances to build a new house with an attached garage and a detached accessory building, parcel 06-14-530-025

ZBA15-005 Bhogwan Sayal, 9106 Leids Ct. Grand Blanc
Requesting sight line, side yards, total two sides and front yard set back variances to construct a new home after demolishing the existing at 12120 Mantawauka, parcel 06-11-530-021

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

This notice is published in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA 41.72a (2) (3) and the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA).

Fenton Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting or public hearing upon 14 days notice to Fenton Township.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids and services should contact Fenton Township by writing or calling the following: Robert Krug, Fenton Township Clerk, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430, (810) 629-1537.

Ordnances, meeting schedules and other Township information are also available at www.fentontownship.org.

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A FENTON COMPANY is looking for an experienced Supervising Editor to manage a group of editors and contribute to the day-to-day operations of the newspaper. Responsibilities include but not limited to: managing production of the newspaper, training and supervising staff, and ensuring the success of the publication. The successful candidate will possess strong editorial skills, excellent communication abilities, and a commitment to journalistic integrity. This is a full-time position. Send resume to: HR@fentontimes.com or call 810-735-6944.

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TOWNSHIP OF HOLLY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) requirements a public hearing will be held by the Holly Town-ship Board at its regular meeting on February 18, 2015 at 6:30 p.m., or shortly thereafter, at the Holly Township Hall, 102 Civic Drive, Holly, MI 48442 to receive written and verbal comment regarding the reprogramming of federal CDBG Funds as follows:

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Due to City Times’ suspension of editorial content, we will, starting in the March 3, 2015 issue, print obituaries, public notices, classifieds, and legal notices as a public service. This service is provided to the community at no charge.

The Holly Township Hall is handicap accessible. Arrangements to reasonably ac-
 commodate special needs will be made upon receiving a seven (7) day advance notice. Contact Holly Township Clerk at the number above for special services.

Karin S. Winchester
Holly Township Clerk

2015 BOARD OF REVIEW NOTICE ROSE TOWNSHIP 9080 Mason St Holly, Michigan 48442

MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING SCHEDULE The 2015 Rose Township Board of Review will be held at the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan on the following dates and times:

March 3, 2015 2:00 pm Organizational Meeting

For an appointment, please call Oakland County Equalization Division, 888-935-0900, Extension 80773 or (248) 858-0773.

March 3, 2015 9:00 am – 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
March 9, 20151:00 pm – 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
March 11, 2015 9:00 am – 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

All agents protesting values on property other than their own must have written authorization from each property owner they are representing.

Handicapped persons needing assistance to attend the meeting are asked to contact the Rose Township Clerk (248) 634-8701 at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Debbie Miller, CMC, CMMC
Rose Township Clerk
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Sandra Mathews-Barnes, Sandra Mathews-Barnes - age 65, of Fenton, passed away February 3, 2015 at Genesys Medical Center. She was born March 16, 1948 in Detroit to Norman L. and Addie Ruth (Gilles) Mathews. She was a 1966 graduate of Southfield High School, a 1970 graduate of Eastern Michigan University, and obtained a M.A. in Library Science from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. In the fall of 1970 she began her long teaching career as a high school librarian at Inland Lakes Schools at Indian River. In 1972 she began her 37 year career as an elementary librarian, kindergarten teacher, and high school media specialist at Flushing Community Schools. Sandy was a past president of the Flushing Education Association and active in M.E.A. political activities and the Genesee County Democratic Party. She was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention that nominated Bill Clinton and she attended both inaugurations for President Clinton in 1993 and 1997. Recently she served one term on the Fenton Board of Education and was a former member of the Fenton Park Board. Sandy was a member of the Fenton United Methodist Church and served two terms in charge of the district reading program at the UMW. On December 20, 1985 Sandy married Robert “Bob” Barnes at the home of her parents in Southfield. They were married by Rev. Frank Rodigewsky of Ferndale, who had married her parents Norman and Grace Barnes forty years previously. Both Bob and Sandy were teachers for the Flushing Community Schools where they met. Sandy is survived by her husband of 28 years, Bob, of Fenton; daughter and husband Katie (Mitch) Rheingans; two grandchildren, Luke and Derek Rheingans. She is also survived by her brother and wife, John (Jackie) Mathews of Plymouth; brothers-in-law, Ray (Jan) Barnes of Brighton and A. James (SarahJ) Hughes of Bloomington, Indiana and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father in 2010 and her mother in 2013. Visitation will be at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel on Monday from 2-4 PM and 6-8 PM. Visitation will be held Tuesday at the Fenton United Methodist Church from 10-11 AM when services will be held at the church conducted by Rev. Jeff Jaggers. Celebration will follow after the services. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to the Fenton United Methodist Church Family Life Center Building Fund, the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan, or The Shelters of Flint. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

FUNERAL ETIQUETTE
How long should I stay at a visitation? It is only necessary to stay for a short time; fifteen minutes or so gives you enough time to express your sympathy. Your simple presence will mean a lot to the family. You do not need to stay for the entire visitation, but try not to leave during any prayers that might be offered.

Source: thewicker.com

Sharon Maria Bordeau (nee. Manni) 1953-2015
Sharon Maria Bordeau, Bordeau (nee. Manni) - passed away Monday, January 27, 2015 at her daughter’s home in Kennett Square, Pennsylvania. She was 62 years old. Born January 24, 1953, was the first child to Jack and Bernice Manni. Sharon immediately learned the value of love and began spreading her joy to others. She enjoyed a life filled with dancing, gardening, and caring for many through her long career as a nurse, where she touched many lives. Entering an eternal life of happiness on January 27, 2015, just a few short days after celebrating her birthday with family and friends, Sharon was able to leave behind the cancer that she was determined to beat. Sharon loved and raised her two daughters in Holly, Michigan, spending her spare time creating a spectacular garden for all to enjoy. Her two daughters survive her, Chelsea Bordeau Wirth and her husband Robert Wirth of Kennett Square, Pennsylvania, and Taylor Bordeau of Holly, Michigan. She found great joy in her grandchildren, Maria (6), Lucas (2) and Max (7mo). Sharon also leaves in life her siblings, Jack Manni and his wife Grace, Deborah Smith and her husband Doug and Theresa Fackler and her husband Jeff. She was the beloved Aunt of seven nieces and nephews. She will leave a legacy of love wherever she opened her arms to a great many which she considered extended family. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you please make a donation to the Colon Cancer Alliance, www.ccalliance.org, 1025 Vermont Ave, NW, Suite 1066, Washington, DC 20005. Services and burial will be private by the immediate family in Michigan. A celebration of her life will be held at a later date for all in remembrance of Sharon’s CONDOLENCES to: www.longwoodfuneralhome.com.
Facebook pictures make friend want to block

DEAR AMY:
Three of my Facebook friends are over-the-top animal lovers. They find the worst cases of animal abuse and post pictures of them. I find them shocking (at best). On numerous occasions these photos show tortured animals. These are truly terrible. I get it. I know that some animals are abused. I don’t need to see the pictures to be convinced. Can you suggest how I might encourage these Facebook friends to help these animals without posting pictures? I would appreciate your help. — Visually Assailed

DEAR ASSAULTED:
One great thing about Facebook is that you can roll up your trouser legs and publicly wade into any debate — or you can quietly ‘hide’ posts from people who share objectionable content. If you want to challenge these friends to do more than post snuff pictures, you can comment beneath a photo: ‘It would be great to find out what you are actually doing about this, aside from sharing this horrible photo …’. I wouldn’t recommend this course of action because, well, people get crazy. I have a Facebook friend who is also an animal advocate. I notice that she periodically warns Facebook friends, ‘If you post horrific photos of animal abuse, I will “block” you, and then, presumably, she does.

Why saturated fats are unhealthy

DR. ROACH:
I have a question about hydrogenated and partially hydrogenated fats. What is the difference? Nutritionists tell us to look out for partially hydrogenated, but never mention the other one. Seems to me both would be bad for you. — D.D.F.

ANSWER:
You are quite right. There are four kinds of fat. Two are healthier — monounsaturated and polyunsaturated, and these are found in healthy oils, like olive oil and canola oil. Two fats are unhealthy — trans-saturated, also called partially hydrogenated, and saturated, which is fully hydrogenated but isn’t ever really called that. Trans-saturated fat is not healthy. Food companies make it by adding hydrogen to vegetable oil at high temperature. The chemical bonds are “trans,” which are not normally found in nature. The process makes the fat more solid at room temperature. It isn’t much of an exaggeration to call trans fat toxic, since even modest amounts increase risk for heart disease from blockage of the arteries. I recommend as little trans fat in the diet as possible — preferably none. Saturated fat isn’t healthy either, but it isn’t as bad for you as trans fat. There are two major kinds of saturated fat: Those that come from animal products (butter, red meat), and those from tropical sources, like palm and coconut. Most experts think tropical saturated fats are not as unhealthy as those found in animal products. Nonetheless, I recommend keeping saturated fat intake low; The American Heart Association recommends less than 16 grams for a person on a 2,000-calorie-a-day diet.

DVD RELEASES

JOHN WICK
An ex-hitman comes out of retirement to track down the gangsters that took everything from him. With New York City as his bullet-riddled playground, John Wick (Keanu Reeves) is a fresh and stylized take on the “assassin genre”. R, 1 hr. 36 min

OUJIA
In Ouija, a group of friends must confront their most terrifying fears when they awaken the dark powers of an ancient spirit board. Stiles White directs the supernatural thriller that is produced by Platinum Dunes. PG-13, 1 hr. 23 min

FRENCH ONION SOUP SLIDERS

Recipe from bunsinnymoven.com

INGREDIENTS:
• 12 toasted slider buns, split in half
• 8 oz. Grand Cru cheese, grated or very thinly sliced
• 2 T. butter
• 1/2 t. dried parsley
• 1/2 t. celery seed
• 1 t. onion powder
• 2 lbs. ground beef

DIRECTIONS
1. Cut onions in half and slice into half rings.
2. Heat a griddle or large skillet over high heat. Add enough butter to coat the bottom of the griddle or skillet.
3. Break the mixture in half. Break each half into half again. Separate each portion into 3 chunks of meat and lightly roll into balls.
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6. Continue cooking for 2-3 minutes and then flip. Top with cheese and continue cooking until the cheese has melted and the burger is done to your liking.
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10. Place the burgers on the buns, top with the caramelized onions, and enjoy!

SUNDAY SCRAMBLER

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Answer key located in this edition

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Cook Time: 40 mins
Makes: 12 Servings

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