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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2015





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MAKING THE BEST CUP OF

coffee

Grind it, pour it, drink it

By Hannah Ball

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Because approximately 400 millions cups are consumed everyday, coffee is one of America's favorite beverages.

Coffee is popular partly because of its ability to adapt to most people's tastes with cream and sugar, iced or hot, and caffeinated or decaf options.

There are many different types of coffee blends, from dark roast, to light roast, to pumpkin spice, and you can get coffee from a variety of chains like Starbucks, Tim Horton's, and Biggby.

The perfect cup of coffee starts with beans.

See **COFFEE** on 7B

“That's what happens when you make coffee the right way.”

Aaron Brooks
 Owner of Mason Jar Coffee Co.



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 TIM JAGIELO

Janie Slagell packs up an order for Mike Maher on Thursday. It included a bag of one of her special blends, which she roasts, grinds and mixes herself.



COFFEE FACTS

- **Shepherds discovered coffee** in Ethiopia around 800 A.D. when goat herders noticed that caffeine made their goats “dance.”
- **Eighty percent of** American adults consume coffee every day, spending about \$20 a week on the drink.
- **Coffee is the** second most traded commodity on Earth, with about 25 million coffee ground farmers in over 50 countries.
- **The majority of** coffee is produced in Brazil.
- **“Espresso” in Italian** means “when something is forced out,” which makes sense considering

that hot water is pressed through coffee grounds.

- **Coffee was originally** a food, and the first to be freeze-dried.
- **Coffee beans are** actually the pits of a cherry-like berry that grow on bushes.
- **The world's most** expensive coffee is \$600 a pound and it comes from coffee beans that have been digested and processed from a Sumatran wild cat.
- **There have been** five attempts to ban coffee in the world for various reasons such as the drink causes radical thinking or “satanic” thoughts.

- **It's possible to** overdose on coffee by drinking over 100 cups to consume the lethal dose.
- **New Yorkers drink** about seven times as much coffee compared to the rest of the United States.
- **Drinking coffee lowers** the risk of Alzheimer's, has shown positive effects on type 2 diabetes and Parkinson's disease.
- **Decaf coffee still** contains some caffeine.

Source: goodhousekeeping.com



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Even though the real meaning of Christmas has nothing to do with consumerism, gifts are a huge part of the holiday. An estimated 160 million adults are expected to buy technology this holiday season. Here are a few high-tech gifts for friends or family.

HIGH-TECH GIFTS FOR THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

Latest gadgets to meet any need and price range

By Hannah Ball
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SOURCE: BROSTICK.COM

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You can start a pot of coffee on this high-tech machine with just a press of a button on your smartphone. With the WeMo App on your phone, you can schedule brew times and set reminders so the coffee is always fresh.

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This high-tech digital camera lets you take the quality pictures you want for a reasonable price. It comes with an 18-55 millimeter lens, a 16 Gb SDHC memory card, a camera case, and a 60-inch tripod.

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Chris Wilkinson,
Certified Mechanic

Q: I have a 2002 Dodge Dakota 4X4. When driving straight and/or turning right I hear a rumbling/growling noise. The noise goes away when turning left. It sounds like it is coming from the front end and more on the right side, I think. What could this be?

A: Jeff, this is most likely a bad wheel bearing causing this noise. You will need to jack up the front wheels. Check for any movement in the wheel by trying to move it in at the top and out at the bottom, going back and forth. Sometimes we have to run the vehicle on the hoist and listen with a stethoscope to pinpoint the exact cause when there is no obvious play in the wheel bearing. They can be tricky as far as sounding like a right side when it is actually the left or vice versa. That is why we double check them with the stethoscope.

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Hanukkah begins Sunday at sunset

■ Local couples share their faiths in blended Jewish and Christian traditions

By Sally Rummel

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While many local residents will spend their Sunday evening eating popcorn and watching TV, Drew Shapiro of Fenton and his fiancée, Jamie Benedict, will share an evening of religious significance for Jewish people worldwide as they begin their eight-day celebration of Hanukkah.

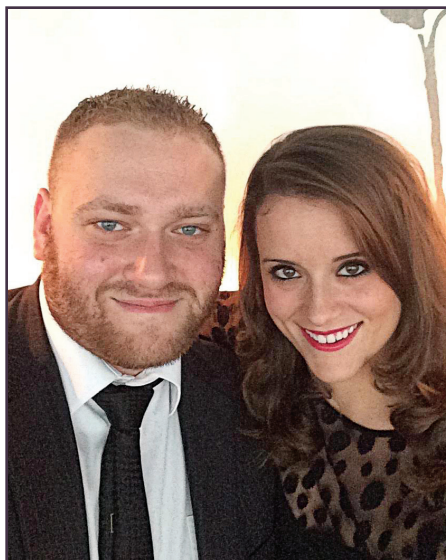
Known as the "Festival of Lights," Hanukkah begins at sunset this Sunday, Dec. 6 and ends on Monday, Dec. 14.

Every year, the first day of Hannukah falls on a different day, usually sometime between late November and late December.

Hannukah commemorates the victory of the ancient Israelites over the Syrian Greek army, and the subsequent miracle of restoring the menorah (seven-branched candelabrum) in the Holy Temple of Jerusalem.

Considered a lesser festival than Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur, Hanukkah has become more festive because it is very close to Christmas. Children receive gifts for Hanukkah, often one gift for each of the eight nights. But the main celebration is lighting the menorah, spinning the dreidel and eating special fried foods.

Many Hanukkah foods are deep-fried in oil, symbolizing the oil from the menorah used in the temple. The miracle of Hanukkah is that only one vial of oil was found with just enough oil for one day, and



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Drew Shapiro, president of the Fenton Board of Education, and his fiancée, Jamie Benedict, are getting married in September 2017. They are already planning how to celebrate both her Christian heritage and his Judaism faith.



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Sam Goodsitt and Danielle Hardy bought both Elf on the Shelf and Mench on a Bench this year, celebrating the fun part of both their Jewish and Christian traditions.

yet it lasted for eight full days.

"We always do a traditional Jewish dinner of brisket and potato latkes (potato pancakes) with my parents," said Shapiro, 27, who grew up in a household that celebrated both Jewish and Christmas traditions.

His mother, Dawn, was raised Catholic and converted to Judaism when she married Steven Shapiro. "We always celebrated Christmas, too, but more in the spirit of the season with its traditions, not religiously," said Shapiro.

"I enjoy the entire season," he said. "I think it's wonderful that everyone gets to enjoy the holiday in their own way."

As a child, Shapiro was immersed in many Jewish traditions, attending Hebrew School, having a bar-mitzvah at age 13, and visiting Israel in 2013 as part of a free educational birthright trip to Israel for young adults age 18 to 26. "It was really a powerful experience for me in re-enforcing my Judaism," he said.

Now planning to marry Benedict in September 2017, the couple is talking about how they will worship and raise children. "Jamie is considering converting to Judaism," he said. "It's a big step. I definitely want our children to be raised in the Jewish faith."

“Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Holidays – they’re all fine with me.”

Drew Shapiro
Fenton Board of Education president

Sam Goodsitt, 27, and Danielle Hardy, 29, of Fenton Township, are also working out their religious celebrations, and having fun doing so. Their wedding will be New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, 2016.

Goodsitt was raised as a Reformed Jew in a fairly secular household, while Hardy was raised Catholic.

He remembers growing up with parties similar to Christmas parties, "only with wine and latkes," he said. "Kids would play with a dreidel, a four-sided spinning top.

We'd get presents from my parents every day of the eight-day holiday. Then, as we got older, it came down to a one-day gift and dinner out."

This year, Goodsitt and Hardy have spent time talking about how they want to celebrate both holidays. Because they aren't overlapping, they feel they can fully celebrate both Hanukkah and Christmas.

"It's like Christmakkah or Hanachris," said Hardy, with a smile. "We'll be going with both our families this weekend to Holiday Nights at Greenfield Village. We're trying to find different things we can do to celebrate both traditions."

"We're figuring it out along the way," added Goodsitt.

SUMMARY

■ Hanukkah begins this Sunday, Dec. 6 and continues for eight days, bringing local couples together in both Jewish and Christian traditions.

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Hanakkah (Festival of Lights)
Dec. 24-Jan. 1

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Dollar General approved for additional driveway

■ Estimated build date of Thompson Road store is June 2016

By Hannah Ball

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Fenton Twp. — The Board of Trustees voted unanimously to rezone part of a parcel on Thompson Road to allow an upcoming free-standing Dollar General store to have an additional driveway.

Engineers for Dollar General still must receive preliminary and final site plan approval from the township's planning commission.

The approximately 9,000-square-foot store would be located next to Thompson I.G., which is just east of U.S. 23. Original site plans included 30 parking spaces.

Owner of the site, Thomas Miller, has a purchase agreement with Dollar General, of Midwest V LLC.

With the original Planned Unit Development (PUD) only two driveways were allowed on Thompson Road, but now Dollar General will have a third.

At the Nov. 2 board meeting, Site engineer Jim Milanowski of Milanowski & Englert Engineering and Surveying Inc. presented the project. The board spoke in favor of the project, but questioned if the 30 parking spaces would be enough.

"We're not in favor of over paving America if we don't need to," Milanowski said, adding that amount of parking spaces is standard for that type of freestanding Dollar General.

Milanowski said their build date is June 2016. He did not yet have an estimated cost.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

IF OUR SCIENTISTS and engineers could be free of the forces of political oppression, which have impeded technology progress, it's already evident that inexpensive access to vast amounts of usable energy exists that would lessen the effects of climate changes.

■ ■ ■
AS THE TOWNSHIPS start to market and flip properties, do they give themselves a tax break?

■ ■ ■
ERIK JONES OF Byron — congratulations on winning the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Championship.

■ ■ ■
DID THE BOXER Joe Louis live in Fenton? If so where? Thanks. **Editor's note:** Joe Louis owned a home just outside of the city.

■ ■ ■
THE REFUSE AND recycling carts must be at least 3 feet apart so that they can mechanically be emptied. Opposite sides of your driveway is great, otherwise the driver has to exit the truck to separate them before they can be emptied. Another idea is to take a phone photo of the schedule for recycling so you can make a quick check and put it out the right week.

■ ■ ■
I WAS GLAD to read that I am not the only one appalled by Linden schools letting a vocal minority of helicopter parents drive the district into the dumps. I am truly sorry that your kids are crying over 'change' but please do the right thing.

■ ■ ■
I'D LIKE TO thank the Bottoms Up restaurant in Holly for sponsoring our senior citizens softball team this year. Most of our players are in their 70s and 80s and we appreciate the opportunity to play ball before moving on to the field of dreams.

■ ■ ■
IF YOU USE the term 'Muslim/Islamic terrorist,' then the person in Colorado Springs must therefore be a 'Christian terrorist.' Let's just use the term 'terrorist.'

■ ■ ■
GUN LAWS ONLY work on the law abiding. They are pro-criminal. Gun control is two rounds in the same hole at 100 yards.

■ ■ ■
MR. PRESS, HOW can government dictate wages to private businesses? Republicans' only denial on climate change is the pseudo-science that says we are creating it. Obamacare is unaffordable for untold millions. Republicans offered logical immigration reform but Democrats won't discuss it. Democrats, after eight years, will help the middle class how?

News briefs

FREE CHRISTMAS/HOLIDAY PARTY

The Karl Richter Community Center of Holly (300 East St) is holding a free Christmas / Holiday party beginning at **4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 19.**

The party will feature games and entertainment hosted by members of the Holly police and fire departments as well as Holly Area Youth Assistance (HAYA), the Holly Area Community Coalition and other local groups and businesses. Program Coordinator Tony Engelberg wants everyone to come join in the fun. "This is our way of welcoming people to the center in the spirit of community during the holidays. Whether people have attended other activities at the center in the past or this would be their first experience, we want folks to know that this facility is welcoming and is here to be a part of the community. We welcome any organization or business who would like to host a game or donate food for the party to contact us. We'll give them an area to advertise who they are and what they have to offer." This event is free, however, donations in both cash for the center or food and goods for their food pantry will be accepted. The party will lead up to a free showing of "A Christmas Story" in the auditorium at 6 p.m. For more information on this or other events, or to inquire about renting the facility, contact Engelberg at (248) 819-0101, email KRCCSPORTS@gmail.com or visit their Facebook page by searching Karl Richter Community Center.

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

■■■
AS A VIETNAM veteran and one whose twin brother died in that war, I resent the attitude of the Hot line response regarding the symbol for which we all fought — the American Flag. The flag is supposed to be taken down and not to be flown tattered and torn. Doing so is disrespectful. The Hot line writer should educate him or herself before sounding off.

■■■
POLITICAL CORRECTNESS, BROUGHT to you by liberals, has come to this. Investigators interviewing a neighbor of the San Bernardino shooters said she did not report to police suspicious activities from that home because she didn't want to be branded a racist.

■■■
THIS MESSAGE IS to the driver of the black SUV traveling east on Lahring

Road (in front of Lake Fenton High School) on Monday, late afternoon. Thank you for not paying attention to your driving and hitting the two sand-hill cranes and killing one of them. My grandkids and I loved watching them, now I have to explain why we don't see them anymore.

■■■
DOES ANYONE KNOW if it is legal to have an ordinance that refuses access to downtown to trucks that are doing deliveries to businesses? And wouldn't that tie up our police who would be constantly ticketing them?

■■■
THE REASON THERE are so many political Hot lines is that the lives of moms, dads and their children are literally at stake when we have incompetent leadership. The comments from both sides of the fence are the truth, more often than not.

LOOKING BACK

at this week IN HISTORY

COMPILED BY VERA HOGAN

LOCAL

5 YEARS

Wednesday, Dec. 8, 2010

Local officials to decide on Sunday morning liquor sales. Unless the Michigan Liquor Control Commission hears otherwise from local governments regarding the sale of liquor on Sundays, it will begin issuing the early morning Sunday Sales Permits to licensees on Thursday, Dec. 16.

10 YEARS

Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2005

Fountain Village rezoning fails. The Fenton Township Board of Trustees voted against the rezoning request for the proposed Fountain Village, which would have been developed at the southwest section of Thompson and Fenton roads. The original concept included 125 single family homes and 41 detached single family condominiums. Homes were expected to be priced in the \$250,000 to \$399,000 range.

15 YEARS

Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2000

Computer crash 'bytes.' City employees work to restore financial records. An investigation is underway to determine how the computer hard drive containing the city's financial records could have failed for the second time in just over a year. In addition to the hard drive crash, the backup system also failed.

20 YEARS

Sunday, Dec. 10, 1995

Battle at the border: Fenton Township accuses Linden of aggressive annexation attempts. Taking measures to maintain land ownership is not a new concept, and Fenton Township plans to fight attempts to annex its properties bordering the city of Fenton. Property owners who are said to be considering getting out of Fenton Township include the Linden Free Methodist Church, Price Aviation and Silver Chase Apartments, at Owen and Jennings roads.

25 YEARS

Sunday, Dec. 9, 1990

Fenton Recycling Incentive. Per bag city trash charge? Fenton residents may soon have an added incentive to recycle. A Fenton City Council committee has proposed a solid waste plan that will encourage residents to separate paper, plastic, tin and other recyclable items in approved containers. The plan would encourage residents to recycle because they will be charged for their garbage on a per-bag basis instead of the current fixed rate of \$74 per year.

30 YEARS

Sunday, Dec. 8, 1985

'Another tool' says Fenton artist. Art by computer. An artist's tool can be anything that will fit the mood and expression that the artist wishes to convey. Those tools may be conventional brushes, palette knives, sponges, stones or even blow torches and computers. Sandy Berra, a member of the Fenton Artists Guild has temporarily put away the precious metals used in the making of distinctive jewelry and turned her talents to art by computer.

NATIONAL

DEC. 6

1992: Jerry Rice of the San Francisco 49ers catches his 101st career touchdown reception, breaking the record for most career touchdowns previously held by Steve Largent. Drafted in 1985 out of Mississippi Valley State University, Rice became a star wide receiver for the 49ers. Rice's goal was getting his team to the Super Bowl, which he did in 1988.

DEC. 7

1941: At 7:55 a.m. Hawaii time, a Japanese dive bomber bearing the red symbol of the Rising Sun of Japan on its wings appears out of the clouds above the island of Oahu. A swarm of 360 Japanese warplanes followed, descending on the U.S. naval base at Pearl Harbor in a ferocious assault. The surprise attack struck a critical blow against the U.S. Pacific fleet and drew the United States irrevocably into World War II.

DEC. 8

1980: Former Beatle John Lennon was shot and killed by Mark David Chapman, 25, on Dec. 8, 1980. Lennon and his wife, Yoko Ono, were returning home at approximately 10:50 p.m. He was shot when they exited their limousine onto the West 72nd St. sidewalk just outside their apartment building, the now-famous Dakota. On nearly the same spot some six hours earlier, Lennon had signed his autograph on a copy of his new album, "Double Fantasy," for the man who would soon shoot him dead.

DEC. 9

1992: British Prime Minister John Major announces the formal separation of Charles, Prince of Wales and heir to the British throne, and his wife, Princess Diana. Major explained that the royal couple were separating "amicably." The report came after several years of speculation by the tabloid press that the marriage was in peril. On July 29, 1981, nearly one billion television viewers in 74 countries tuned in to witness the marriage of Prince Charles, heir to the British throne, to Lady Diana Spencer, a young English schoolteacher.

DEC. 10

1967: A plane crash in Madison, Wisconsin, kills soul singer Otis Redding, known for the song "Sittin' on the Dock of the Bay," and members of the Bar-Kays band. One survivor, Ben Cauley, later reported that he had been asleep until just before the crash. He saw his friend in the band, Phalon Jones, look out the window of the small plane and exclaim "Oh no!" and, before he knew it, he was in a frigid lake holding onto a seat cushion. The following day, the lake was dragged and the bodies of the victims were recovered. A storm in Madison that day was a factor in the crash but the exact cause was never determined.

DEC. 11

2008: On this day in 2008, financier Bernard Madoff is arrested at his New York City apartment and charged with masterminding a long-running Ponzi scheme later estimated to involve around \$65 billion, making it one of the biggest investment frauds in Wall Street history. Madoff pleaded guilty to the 11 felony counts against him and was sentenced to 150 years behind bars.

DEC. 12

1917: In Omaha, Nebraska, Father Edward J. Flanagan, a 31-year-old Irish priest, opens the doors to a home for troubled and neglected children, and six boys enter to seek a better life. Flanagan, who previously ran the Workingmen's Hotel, a haven for down-and-out workers in Omaha, understood that mistreated or orphaned children were at high risk of turning to delinquency and crime in later years. The location of what would become known as "Boys Town" rapidly filled up with the arrival of additional children. In the spring of 1918, no space was left in the drafty Victorian mansion, so Father Flanagan, assisted by sympathetic citizens, moved Boys Town to a building 10 times the size on the other side of town.



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What's the best cup of coffee you've ever had?

streettalk



"German coffee because it's real rich and not bitter. It actually tastes like coffee."

Jim Verhelle
Fenton Township



"It was recent. It was at Tim Horton's. I had a cake latté. It was like cake and it had whip cream and sprinkles on top."

Marci Kopko
Fenton



"I love coffee. We had a cup of coffee in El Paso, Texas. They put some fancy brandy in it. I can't believe how good it was."

Bridget Koleda
Linden



"I'd probably have to go with Tim Horton's, double the cream, double the sugar. It's just the regular roasted. Their cappuccinos are really good, too."

Angel Burkett, Linden



"I like Maxwell House. I try different types and always go back to Maxwell House. I drink light coffee anyway. Starbucks is too strong and I don't like it too strong."

Ken Streeter, Linden

FRENCH PRESS COFFEE AT THE LAUNDRY

The Laundry in Fenton is known for its French Press coffee, which needs a coarser grind.

Ryan Petty, an employee at The Laundry, said the French Press is a popular option for customers.

The coffee is put at the bottom of the press and hot water is poured in. After waiting two to three minutes, you push the divider down and pour the coffee.

French Press coffee is known for being intense dark roast coffee.

"The residue on the bottom is going to make it really really potent," he said. "It's a very dark roast. A lot of people have to dilute it with hot water."

Making French Press coffee at home is easy. Petty recommends getting a metal press, not a plastic one because plastic presses don't last as long.

Dark roast coffee is commonly used in French Presses, but light roast can be used too. He recommends Folgers or Maxwell House coffee, and using half the amount of grounds you would use in a normal pot of coffee into the press.

"Do four to five tablespoons of grounds in the press than fill it with the water," he said. If you don't like dark roast coffee, Petty recommends simply using light roast coffee, but it will be darker than usual.

"Starbucks makes a really good light coffee," he said. "If you've never had French Press coffee, it's going to taste more acidic than regular but that's the traditional way to drink coffee."



COFFEE

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Aaron Brooks of Linden, owner of online coffee store Mason Jar Coffee Co., found that people liked coffee from Guatemala and Ethiopia.

"I roast them and do sample cups of coffee and see which ones people liked the best. People really like Guatemala," he said.

He uses three small roasters to roast coffee about twice a week.

"In order to roast coffee you need heat and agitation," he said. "I roast to sound and smell, sound especially. Coffee cracks, that's how you know it's done."

With medium roast coffee, he keeps the beans in the roaster for a minute after he hears the first bean crack. For dark roast, he waits to hear two cracks.

A light roast coffee roasts for a shorter period of time, but Brooks doesn't have as much demand for that.

Brooks then grinds the beans. He makes pour-over coffee, which needs a finer grind.

After grinding the beans, the next important thing is the amount of time water spends in the grounds. He usually uses his favorite pour-over machine, a Hario.

"You're looking for proper extraction level," he said. "If it's in there too long, it's going to be over extracted. If it's too quickly, it's under extracted. Grind time is really important."

Another factor is time. He knows his pour-over coffee should take about two minutes and 30 seconds for all the water to pour through the system.

He recommends people taste it black.

"If people want to put cream and sugar in their coffee, that's their prerogative. One of my favorite things to hear is 'I don't even need to put cream and sugar in my coffee'," Brooks said. "That's what happens when you make coffee the right way."

For the best cup of coffee, Brooks said you need two things: good coffee and the right moment.

"It's a good cup of coffee with a memorable situation," he said. He remembers the first cup of coffee he had was in Grand Haven with his wife, Sonja. "That first cup was very memorable because we were on vacation and I was getting to spend time with my wife."

Brooks said he wants to help people have that moment with his coffee.

"I want to provide good coffee and be a part of that family experience," he said. "That's one of the things that means the most to me."

For more information on Mason Jar Coffee Co. or to order coffee, visit mason-jarcoffee.com.

Janie Slagell, owner of Zanie Janie's Sim-



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Janie Slagell, owner of Zanie Janie's coffee shop in Holly creates a warm and energetic atmosphere, and a lot of customer loyalty.

ply Coffee in Holly said, "You have to know origin of beans, acidity and soil levels and all different things to do a really good roast of beans. I roast my own beans so you start with the highest quality and you roast to perfection."

It takes about 20 minutes to roast two-and-a-half pounds of coffee beans with her roaster.

Instead of using oils and syrups for flavor, she uses different flavored beans to make different coffees.

"I buy coffee from all over the world and then I roast it here. It all comes raw and unprocessed," she said.

Her Michigan Cherry blend and regular blend are very popular.

"I have a zanie blend that's really flavorful. It's a low acid coffee that people buy all the time," she said.

To make the perfect cup of coffee, Slagell said, "I roast it and brew it for them and then they doctor it up the way they like."



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Busy December creates challenges for sellers, agents

■ Whether to show or market your home during the holidays is a decision you need to make with your Realtor

By Sally Rummel

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Showing your home and hosting open houses during the busy month of December creates challenges for both the real estate agent and the home seller.

"We had four open houses planned on the Sunday after the big Saturday snow storm," said John Tremaine of Tremaine Real Living Real Estate. "Weather can definitely be a factor this time of year."

For that reason, plus the philosophy that any home that hasn't sold within the last 60 days isn't likely to sell this time of year, caused Tremaine to do something he has never done before in his 24-year real estate career.

"I'm sending a letter to all my residential clients, advising them to give it a rest until March 1," he said. "We had a great summer. The homes that didn't sell all came down to price. If it didn't happen in the last 60 days, it's not going to happen."

"Dec. 15 through Jan. 15 is the slowest time of the year," said John Wentworth of

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“Deciding to take your home off the market depends on the property and the motivation of the seller.”

John Wentworth
RE/MAX Platinum
in Fenton

Here are a few suggestions for showing your home during the busy month of December:

- Keep decorations to a minimum. Don't block or cover up important selling features such as fireplace mantels, stairs, windows.
- Tone down the size of your tree. In place of a 10-foot tree, try a 4-foot tabletop version.
- Stack wrapped presents in a closet.
- Use splashes of red more than green, because red is an emotionally appealing color.
- Display centerpieces made from pine cones or other natural elements.
- Don't leave candles burning attended, and be sure to use one consistent aroma rather than mixing up fragrances throughout your home.
- Set a plate of cookies on the counter for guests to enjoy, and simmer spicy apple cider on the stove.
- Make sure all walkways and driveways are clear of snow and ice.
- Hang a simple wreath on the door as a focal point for your entry.

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THE dollars & cents OF SELLING YOUR HOME



■ Fresh, clean aromas can help seal the deal

By Sally Rummel

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Every person's home has its own scent, whether you notice it in your own house or not.

When a prospective buyer comes into your home, you want to neutralize that scent, so they are not picking up unpleasant smells that could be a deal breaker in the sale of your house. Last night's cooking, pet scents and a complex mixture of too many fragrances in the form of candles or potpourri may all be turnoffs

when showing your home.

While a fresh baked batch of cookies may be your own personal favorite aroma in your home, prospective buyers might prefer the scent of light, clean and neutral.

"I've never had a person yet buy a home because of (fresh baked) cookies," said RE/MAX Platinum Realtor John Wentworth. "I'd rather that the house be picked up and tidy."

To neutralize the scent of your home,

SUMMARY

■ Smells can sell your home, or break the deal. Homeowners should aim for light, clean and neutral when showing their homes to prospective buyers.

experts suggest you use your own "elbow grease" to deep-clean your house, rather than masking odors with scented sprays. They often create their own unpleasant effects. Neutral should be clean, as without any smell.

However, make sure your house doesn't smell like ammonia, bleach or any strongly scented cleaner when you're done cleaning.

To freshen up the air in your home to create that natural, neutral smell:

- Wash all bed covers and wash or dry-clean drapes.
- Have the carpet cleaned or replaced.
- Mop hard-surface floors with a lightly scented or unscented cleaner.
- Scrub the bathrooms top to bottom, choosing cleaners carefully.
- Store old shoes in plastic boxes with lids.
- Wash pet bedding.
- Move any pet accessories and litter boxes to the garage or away from main living areas.

If you choose to use fragrant scents in your home, make sure to keep the scent simple. "Keep the fragrance consistent throughout the house," said Wentworth. "One candle goes a long way."

John Tremaine of Tremaine Real Living Real Estate advises home owners to take advantage of technology with today's plug-in scents. "If a home smells 'funky' in any way, it can kill the deal. A potential buyer will just walk away."

Simple, recognizable scents like the following have been found to be most desirable to buyers:

- Orange/citrus
- Lemon
- Pine

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RE/MAX Platinum in Fenton. "However, some sellers still want to continue on with their same strategy over the holidays."

He said that deciding to take your home off the market depends on the property and the motivation of the seller.

"If your home is on Lake Fenton and it's been on the market for a few months, take it off 'til February and let it breathe a little. A longer time on the market reflects poorly on the house, and snow isn't going to help that. If you're moving out of state and have priced your home to sell, then keep it on the market. Each situation is unique. It's a conversation to have between the seller and me."

Tremaine agrees that it depends on a seller's motivation. "For folks who don't need to sell, we're advising them to take their home off the market. It's just being realistic, rather than fighting this time of year. The weather and snow only works against us."

- Basil
- Cedar
- Vanilla
- Cinnamon

If your heart is set on baking, skip the chocolate chip cookies in favor of the simple, familiar scent of a cinnamon bun. "Better yet, put your focus into your home rather than cookies and candles," said Wentworth.

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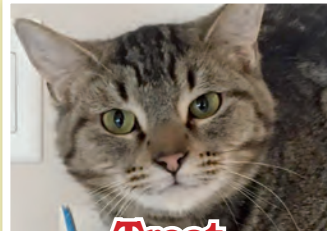


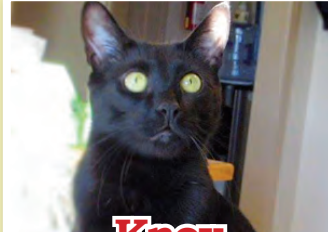

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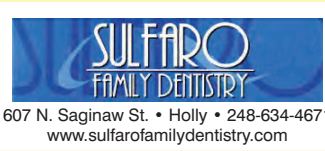
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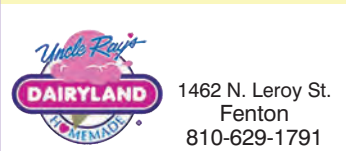
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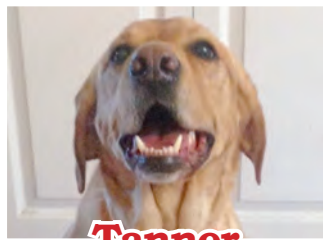
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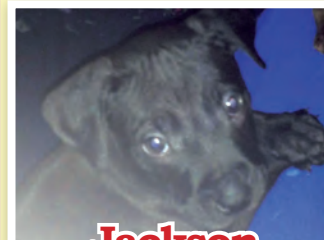
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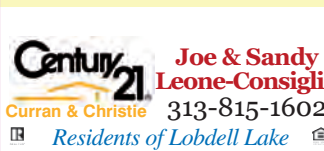
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■ Agent John Gatz handles personal-commercial insurance and financial products

By Sally Rummel

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NOTICE ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS DECEMBER 15, 2015 BOARD OF REVIEW

The Argentine Township Board of Review will hold its December meeting as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, December 15, 2015

TIME: 10:00 A.M.
PLACE: Argentine Township Hall
9048 Silver Lake Road
Linden MI 48451
(810) 735-5050

Purpose: To correct any of the errors in assessments and tax rates, to review claims of qualified homestead on properties and to review hardship/poverty/veterans claims.

Denise Graves, Clerk, Argentine Township

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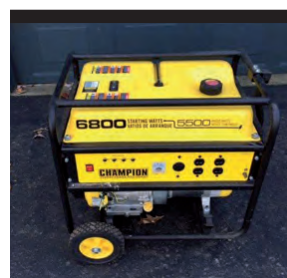


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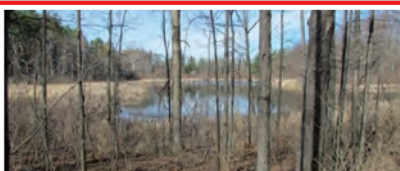
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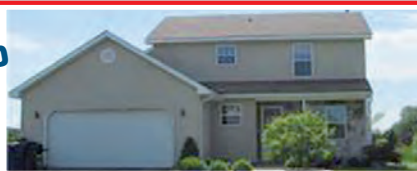
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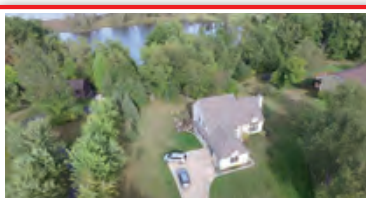


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YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY DECEMBER 22, 2015 AT 7:00 PM BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AT 12060 MANTAWAUKA. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

NEW BUSINESS:

ZBA15-038 Jeff Church, 12489 Torrey Rd. Fenton:
Appealing the Zoning Administrators decision to waive the sight line requirements for 2485 Margaret to construct an accessory building on the island in front of the property parcel 06-11-552-006

ZBA15-039 Nasir Ali, MD, 2571 N. Long Lk. Rd. Fenton:
Requesting a 735 sq. ft. maximum allowable square footage variance to be able to have a 5th garage door on the garage that is built at 2571 N. Long Lk. Rd. parcel 06-02-300-065

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ROBERT KRUG,
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

TYRONE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS HELD DECEMBER 1, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M.

- Present: Supervisor Mike Cunningham, Clerk Keith Kremer, Treasurer Marna Bunting-Smith, Trustees Cam Gonzalez, Soren Pedersen, Chuck Schultz, and David Walker.
- Approved the agenda as presented. Approved the consent agenda as presented.
- Received and placed on file Communications #1-3 as presented.
- The Treasurer updated the board on the township's expanded credit card services.
- Adopted the restatement of the 401 (a) Defined Contribution Retirement Plan as mandated by the IRS.
- Authorized the 2016 summer tax collection for the schools districts.
- Approved to hire Clear Title for title service on the two township parcels for sale.
- Authorized the changes to the 2016-17 preliminary budget as discussed.
- Appointed Trustee David Walker to the Economic Development Council.
- Appointed Supervisor Mike Cunningham to the Lake Tyrone Lake Board.
- Approved to hire Natura Architectural Consulting to inspect the township hall building including thermal imaging.
- Approved the 2016 sewer O&M rates as presented.
- Authorized the Treasurer to counteroffer the sale price of \$150,000 on the 28-acre parcel 4704-03-300-015 and \$270,000 on the 74-acre parcel 4704-03-300-003.
- Tabled the fire service contracts because not all contracts were submitted.
- Discussed revising the sewer ordinance to allow the township to reduce or purchase REUs; no motion was made.
- Adjourned at 8:35 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. The next regular meeting of the Tyrone Township Board will be held on Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Tyrone Township Hall. The public is encouraged to attend.

A Look back at the TOP 10 COUNTRY SONGS from A – Z

GEORGE JONES Top 10 Songs

1. **Tender Years** - #1 seven weeks, 1961
2. **She Thinks I Still Care** - #1 six weeks, 1962
3. **White Lightning** - #1 five weeks, 1958
4. **Walk Through This World With Me** - #1 two weeks, 1967
5. **We're Gonna Hold On** - #1 two weeks, 1973
6. **Near You** - #1 two weeks, 1976
17. **He Stopped Loving Her Today** - #1 one week, 1980
17. **I Always Get Lucky With You** - #1 one week, 1983
19. **The Grand Tour** - #1 one week, 1974
19. **Still Doin' Time** - #1 one week, 1981

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13 B flat's equivalent
19 Portent
20 Diarist Nin
21 "No —, ands or butts!"
22 Person ogling
23 Escorted one's rival?
26 Lemon-lime soft drink
27 Wipe the slate clean
28 Stand in an art studio
29 Saint — (Caribbean island)
31 Ending for dull or drunk
32 Border
33 Dress in Goa
35 Weekend time spent with pals?
38 Luau strings, for short
40 Large, red apple variety
43 "Be quiet!"
44 Actors in a film featuring church ministers?

- 46 Position
49 Ticked (off)
50 "— takers?"
51 Nasal partition
53 Moray, say
55 One-named flamenco entertainer
58 Rowdydow
60 Cry to comic
65 With 66: Across, drudge's routine
66 See 65- Across
68 Army post
69 More audacious
70 "— ask is that ..."
72 Laryngitic pigeon's comment?
75 Positive
76 Sir Walter Scott novel
78 Muhammad and Laila of the ring
79 — cava
81 Soldier of Seoul
82 Situation when a fuel gauge is at 50%?
84 Balking beast

- 85 "Oro y —" (motto of Montana)
87 Prefix with cyclist
88 Got old due to excess
90 "— always say ..."
91 Address for a lady
94 1976-81 sketch show
95 Watch over a 787?
101 As a group
104 One making an attempt
106 Tech caller
107 Walk with no lights on?
110 Tax doc. whizzes
112 Plains tribe
113 Mouthwash bottle abbr.
114 Did autumn yard work
115 Peter & Gordon's "— Pieces"
118 Loft
120 Species-crossing
122 Things that a drum-playing lush has?
125 Like sweet-hearts
126 Stoooge name
127 Like many shiny floors

- 128 Impressionist
129 Seesaw
130 Quit delaying
131 Veil wearer
132 Contradict
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2 Unfinished Kafka novel
3 Dubs differently
4 Picnic pests
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6 — -coated tablet
7 Tourist town on Maui
8 Small pieces
9 Tennis great
10 JPEGE alternative
11 Long past
12 False: Prefix
13 Town in central Italy
14 Capital of Minnesota
15 Laugh sound
16 Daughter of King Minos
17 Outline again
18 Chemically colored in advance
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25 Exile isle
30 Saclike body growth
34 Out of whack

- 36 Parvenus
37 Bottom-line red ink
39 With 57- Down, map book for an astronomer
41 Old filling station name
42 Beatified Fr. woman
45 — about (roughly)
47 — del Este, Uruguay
48 Texter's "Holy cow!"
52 In a fake way
53 2001 bankruptcy company
54 Juan's "that"
55 Jenny —
56 Turkish confection
57 See 39- Down
58 Emeril Lagasse's "There's — in My Soup!"
59 Narc hirer
61 Clarinets' kin
62 "Star Trek" lieutenant
63 Politico Ross
64 California city on I-5
67 Garlic mayo
68 Toppled
71 Barbaric
73 Bank safe

- 74 Rite Aid rival
77 — Solo
80 Lhasa —
83 TV watchdog
84 1998 Sarah McLachlan song
86 Stead
89 911 gp.
90 "— -Ca- Dabra" (1974 song)
91 Blockbuster
92 Pain reliever
93 Genial
94 Try to find
96 Big Apple cab words
97 Testified under oath, old-style
98 Uranium 235, for one
99 Web habitué
100 Food store
102 Try hard
103 Parasol, e.g.
105 Short parody
108 Skin: Prefix
109 — committee
111 Religious day of rest: Abbr.
116 41st U.S. pres.
117 Actor Epps
119 Frog cousin
121 Go to seed
123 To this point
124 34th U.S. pres.

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Synopsis of Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting November 30, 2015

Call to order @ 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Cole

Present: Schmidt, Ciesielski, Hallman and Cole and Graves. Absent: none

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Chris White and Robert Proulx.

Approved: Minutes as printed of Regular Board Meeting October 26, 2015

Approved: Payment of bills as presented.

Approved: Hiring Jason Jenkins as part-time police officer.

Accepted: resignation of fire-fighter Brad Krupinski.

Issued: 4 permits that total \$2,539.00.

Approved: Entering Closed Board Session @ 7:22 p.m.

Approved Return to Regular Board Session @ 7:43 p.m.

Tabled: Appointment of Administrative Assistant to Police Chief.

Re-appointed: Representatives to Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance.

Adjourned @ 8:05 p.m.

Submitted by Denise Graves
Argentine Township Clerk

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PUZZLE ANSWER KEYS

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

SUPER CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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KING CROSSWORD ANSWERS

Solution time: 21 mins.

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SUNDAY SUDOKU ANSWERS

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WEDNESDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles: TRACT FLUKE LIQUOR SURELY
Answer: What the seedy hotel gave him when he paid
in dollars — QUARTERS

SUNDAY SCRAMBLERS ANSWERS

1. Askew; 2. Grunge; 3. Abound; 4. Rotate;
Word: **WARDROBE**

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THE CARPENTER'S HOUSE CHURCH

2740 Grange Hall Rd. • Fenton
Corner of Fish Lake Rd.
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Pastor James Disbrow 248-634-2195
Sunday Morning Service..... 11:00 am
Wednesday Evening..... 7:00 pm
Wednesday Youth Service6:30 pm

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15113 Seymour Rd. • Linden
810-875-1080
www.cotshome.com
Meets on Sunday Morning..... 10:30 am

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Sunday Worship9:00 & 11:30 am
Wednesday Youth Group..... 7:00 pm
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Jack C. McMaster,
Pastor Emeritus/Mission Pastor
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Wes Crawford, Youth Pastor
www.faithlinden.org
Children & Teen Sunday School.....9:30 am
Morning Worship..... 11:00 am
Christian Education Courses9:30 am
Children's Church..... 11:00 am
Wednesday Kids Club & Youth Group.....6:30 pm
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Shawn Cook, Associate and Youth Pastor
Sunday School.....9:45 am
Morning Worship..... 11:00 am
Evening Worship.....6:00 pm
Wednesday Night 7:00 pm
Adult Bible Study, Youth Group (6-12 Grades),
Kids Club (K-5 Grad), Mission Friends (3-5 years)

CATHOLIC

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

600 N. Adelaide • Fenton
810-629-2251
Father Dwight Ezop, Pastor
Father Jim Rolph, Associate Pastor
Saturday Mass5:00 pm
Sunday Mass..... 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon & 6 pm
Confessions Sat.....3:30-4:30 pm
Daily Mass In Chapel M-F9:00 am
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Following
Friday Mass until 4:45pm Benediction

ST. RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH

309 E. Maple St. • Holly
248-634-4841
Fr. David Blazek, Pastor
Saturday Mass.....4:00 pm,
Sunday Mass..... 8 am, 10 am, & 12 noon
Weekday Mass Tues.-Thur.9:00 am
Reconciliation after Sat. 4 pm Mass or by appt.

ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH

6481 Faussett Rd. • Howell
517-546-9807
Father Gregg Pleiness, Pastor
Saturday Mass.....5:00 pm
Sunday Mass..... 8:30 am & 10:30 am
Weekday Mass Wed.-Fri.....8:30 am
Confessions Saturday 4 pm and upon request

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

204 E. Rockwell • Fenton
810-629-3211
Church Service..... 11:00 am
Sunday School..... 11:00 am
Wednesday Evening..... 7:00 pm

TRI-COUNTY TIMES

Church DIRECTORY

EPISCOPAL

ST. JUDE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

106 E. Elizabeth St. • Fenton
810-629-5681
Holy Communion8:00 am, 10:30 am
Christian Education.....9:15 am

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7355 W. Silver Lake Road
(Behind Linden High School)
Linden, MI 48451
810-735-4807
www.hopelinden.org
Pastor Jim Rolf
Sunday Worship 8:15 am & 10:45 am
Adult Bible Study9:30 am
Sunday School.....9:30 am

TRANSFIGURATION LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

14176 Fenton Rd. • Fenton
810-629-7332
Dr. Mark Fisher, Minister
www.FentonTLC.org
Sunday Worship 10:30 am
Sunday School, 3 yrs -1st grade
.....(during Sunday Service)
Sunday School, 2nd-5th grade.....9:30 am
Communion Celebrated every Sunday
(Nursery available)

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, LC-MS

806 Main Street • Fenton
810-629-7861
Fax 810-629-9877
www.trinitylcmsfenton.com
Reverend Dean G. Dumbrille
Worship Services
Wednesday in the Word.....6:30 pm
Saturday Traditional Worship6:30 pm
Sunday Traditional Worship.....8:30 am
Sunday Education Hour9:45 am
Sunday Contemporary Worship 11:00 am
Saturday5:30 pm, Bible Study

SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES WELS LUTHERAN CHURCH

14160 Fenton Rd. • Fenton
Pastor Nathan Loersch
810-224-1250
Sunday School.....9:15 am
Adult Bible Study9:15 am
Sunday Worship Service 10:30 am

METHODIST

HOLLY CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

15010 N. Holly Rd. • Holly
248-634-9711
www.hollycalvary.org
Rev. Cliff Schroeder
Sunday Worship9:30 am
Solid Ground Worship 11:11 am
Nursery Provided at all services.

FENTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

119 S. LeRoy St. • Fenton
810-629-2132
fentonumc.com
Pastor Jeff Jaggers
Rev. Michelle Forsyth
Traditional Worship 9:30, 11:00 am
Contemporary Service 11:05am
Nursery Provided at all services.

FENTON FREE METHODIST CHURCH

800 North Rd. • Fenton
810-629-8531
www.fentonfmc.org & facebook
Pastor Don O'dell
Assoc. Pastor Jerry Daniels
Sunday Worship 11:00 am
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm
Nursery available.

METHODIST (CONTINUED)

LAKE FENTON

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2581 N. Long Lake Rd. • Fenton
810-629-5161
Pastor Char Shay
Sunday Worship9:00 am
Sunday School..... 10:00 am

LINDEN

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

201 Bridge St. • Linden
810-735-5858
Pastor Crystal Thomas
Worship & Jr. Service 10:00 am
Coffee Hour 11:00 am
Nursery Available

LINDEN FREE METHODIST CHURCH

13274 S. Linden Rd. • Linden
810-735-4564
Pastor William Moull
Assoc. Pastor Mike Anderson
Sunday Worship 10:00 am
Sunday School..... 11:15 am
Sunday Night Teen Programs5:00 pm
www.LindenFreeMethodist.org

NAZARENE

ARGENTINE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

16248 S. Seymour Rd. • Linden
810-735-7118
Pastor Robert Lindsay
Sunday School.....9:45 am
Sunday Morning Worship..... 11:00 am
(Junior Church and Nursery Provided)
Sunday Evening Worship6:00 pm
Wed. Children & Teens..... 7:00 pm
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm

FENTON CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

11075 Runyan Lake Rd. • Fenton
810-750-6544
Pastor Ron Sharpe
Sunday Worship Services 11:00 am
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SundayAMServiceatLakeFentonHS...10am&11:30am
Sunday PM Service 6 pm
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Fenton Campus 6:30PM
301 E. South Holly Rd.

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ST. MARY MAGDALENE ORTHODOX CHURCH

2439 South Long Lake Rd. • Fenton
810-750-1401
www.st-marymagdalene.org
Services:
Saturday Evening,
Great Vespers5:00 pm
Sunday Morning,
Divine Liturgy..... 10:00 am
Community Bible Study Monday @ 7:00 pm
at the church

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FENTON CHURCH OF GOD

14569 North Rd. • Fenton
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Reverend Eugene Blankenship
www.fentonchurchofgod.com
Sunday School..... 10:00 am
Sunday Worship Service 11:00 am & 6:00pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm
Wednesday Young Adult
& Children's Class..... 7:00 pm

PRESBYTERIAN

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FENTON

503 S. LeRoy St. • Fenton
810-629-7801
www.ffpc.org
Larry McMellen, Parish Associate
Sunday Worship 9:00 am &11:00 am

LINDEN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

119 W. Broad St. • Linden
810-735-5755
Pastor Seth Normington
Traditional Worship9:00 am
Contemporary Worship 10:30 am
Sunday School.....10:30 am
(Nursery provided at each service)

TYRONE COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

9141 Hartland Rd. • Fenton
810-750-0350
Pastor Linda Living-Hawley
Sunday Worship Schedule
Celebratory Worship..... 10:00 am
Children's Sunday School..... 10:30 am
Fellowship 11:30 am

TYRONE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

(PCA)
10235 White Lake Rd. • Fenton
810-629-1261
Tyronepca.org
Pastor, James Mascow
Sunday Worship (includes Children's Church) ..10:15 am
Sunday School9:00 am
Sunday Evening Worship6:00 pm
Youth Group & Family Night.....Wed. Evenings

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

FENTON SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

408 Fifth St. • Fenton
810-629-9493
Pastor Chris Ames
Church Worship..... 10:00 am
Sabbath School 11:00 am
Prayer Meeting 11:00 am Wednesday



Obituaries

Times

Charles Cheeseman 1942-2015

Charles Cheeseman - age 72, of Holly, died in Dune-din, FL. on November 13, 2015. He lived in Holly most of his life. Cremation has already taken place.

Philip H. Miner

Philip H. Miner - Novem-ber 14, 1936 - November 15, 2015. Services were provided by **Dryer Funeral Home.**

Basil Blanchard

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Lawrence Bearup

Lawrence Bearup - age 65, died November 30, 2015. www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



Rosemary Evans

Rosemary Evans - age 90, died November 29, 2015. www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



Gailen Miller

Gailen Miller - age 89, died November 24, 2015. www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



Daniel Schwiderson

Daniel Schwiderson - age 58, died December 3, 2015. www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



John D. Merritt

John D. Merritt - age 62, of Canoga Park, CA and formerly from the Holly and Fenton area died October 23, 2015 from a vehicle



accident. He was the son of Donald and Mary (Pat) Merritt of Fenton. He was a graduate

of Holly High School. John is survived by his sister Donna Lindsley of Holly and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Dee Raleigh; brother, Paul Merritt; and nephew Christopher Merritt. He pursued his love of music and was the drummer in several bands in California. He was especially proud of the song "Holly Fenton" which he wrote and recorded. He will be greatly missed by all that new and loved him.

Christopher Williamson

Christopher Williamson - age 44, died November 27, 2015. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Michael McClanahan

Michael McClanahan - age 52, died November 29, 2015. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Wilma Lanning

Wilma Lanning - age 72, died December 3, 2015. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Joanne Gavulic

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Jason Cremer

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Debbra Marme

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Theresa Deckard

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Ava Hilleary

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Carol Day

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Deborah Childers

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Jerome Maciak

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Jesse Miller

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Joseph Kuderko

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Reba Pyles

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Margaret Anderson

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Nancy Billing

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Philip Alexander

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Terry Hubbard

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Stephen Borowicz

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Lisa Day

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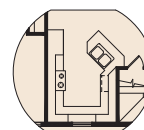
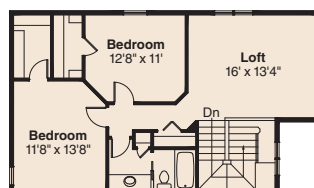
HOUSE PLAN OF THE WEEK



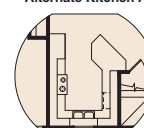
Montrose PLAN 30-823

First Floor 951 sq.ft.
Second Floor 759 sq.ft.
Living Area 1710 sq.ft.
Garage 442 sq.ft.
Dimensions 23' x 67'6"

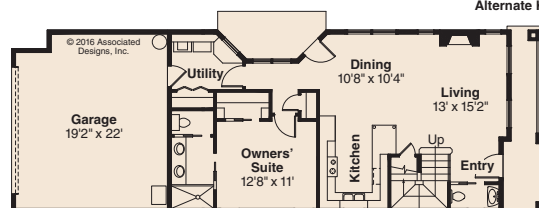
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Alternate Kitchen A



Alternate Kitchen B



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Montrose PLAN 30-823

Bold stuccoed columns support the gently arched opening that frames the entry of the Montrose, a large contemporary townhome. A railed covered porch spanning the rest of the front facade can comfortably shelter a suite of wicker or other outdoor furniture. Entering, you step into a foyer that opens out into the living room on the right. A small, conveniently placed bathroom hides behind the pocket door on the left side of the foyer. Stairs to the second floor are right around the corner.

Widow wonders what to do with uncashed checks

DEAR AMY:

When my wonderful husband passed away two and a half years ago, I set up an educational fund for my children — for those who wished to provide gifts in his memory. People were overwhelmingly generous. At the time, it was very hard for me to read all the kind cards and letters I received (it still is). Last night I found three checks I had missed: two for \$50 and one for \$500! These are from people I don't see on a regular basis, if ever. I know it's far too late to deposit the checks but not too late to say thank you. My question is whether and how to acknowledge the uncashed checks. Should I just send them back with my thank you notes? Should I say something about not depositing them, and if so, what? I feel very awkward about this, and no less appreciative of

the uncashed checks than I am of the checks I deposited. — More Than a Day Late

ASK

Amy

BY AMY DICKINSON



AMY DICKINSON

DEAR DAY LATE:

You are so right when you say that it is never too late to thank people for their generosity. Do this right away. You should write a note, explaining your challenge. Say, "I see that you donated generously to my children's educational fund and that I never encountered (or thanked you for) your very thoughtful donation until now. I am sending your check back to you. Even though it has not been

cashed I want you to know that I am incredibly touched and deeply grateful. The educational fund is in great shape and so please don't feel compelled to replace this check. The thought of your generosity is all the gift we need." Follow this with a few lines about how you and the children are doing and sign off with affection.

Can heart surgery cause hot flashes?

DEAR DR. ROACH:

I have had hot flashes, similar to those experienced by post-menopausal women, ever since my coronary bypass in 1990. I can be sitting quietly in a chair reading or at my computer, and suddenly I find myself dripping with perspiration. I also have had panic attacks, with increased heart rate and other physical symptoms. A few years ago, a 24-hour EKG showed heart-rhythm irregularities and that my heart stopped briefly while asleep. If these idiosyncrasies of my autonomic nervous system are a consequence of my time on the heart-lung machine for the bypass, I'm not complaining -- just curious. You said that studies have been done on almost everything. Is this one? — W.S.B.

ANSWER:

I found that a lot of people complain of similar symptoms. I also found that, indeed, the autonomic nervous system (the part of the nervous system that regulates temperature, sweat, blood pressure and many other critical aspects of body function without our being consciously aware of it) can be adversely affected by cardiac surgery. Some authors have suggested that the autonomic nervous system changes are one mechanism by which people are more likely to have depression after cardiac surgery. I found several possible explanations why the ANS changes with bypass surgery, but no clear consensus. I would want to be sure that there are no other causes of these symptoms. It sounds like you have had an extensive evaluation, but I certainly would be concerned about a sudden fast heart rhythm, such as atrial fibrillation.

To your
GOOD
HEALTH

BY KEITH ROACH, M.D.

KEITH ROACH, M.D.



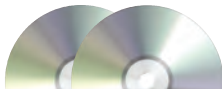
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Posted by: greatiktownplanner



Posted by: hspimaging



DVD RELEASES

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MISSISSIPPI GRIND

Gerry is a talented poker player, but his gambling habit is getting the best of him. He meets a charismatic young traveler named Curtis. Deeming Curtis his lucky charm, Gerry convinces him to hit the road together. The trip's highs and lows unveil the duo's true character and motivation.

R, 1 hr. 48 min.

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90 MINUTES IN HEAVEN

Don Piper died Jan. 18, 1989. Declared dead Don's body lay under a tarp for the next 90 minutes. Don's soul, meanwhile, was experiencing love, joy and life like he'd never known before. Don was in Heaven. When another pastor's prayers helped bring Don back to life, he became a living miracle!

PG-13, 2 hr. 1 min.

HOT CHOCOLATE FUDGE

INGREDIENTS

- 2 Cups Dark Chocolate Chips
- campaignIcon
- 14 ounces Sweetened Condensed Milk - divided
- campaignIcon
- 1 Cup White Chocolate Chips
- 1½ Cups Mallow Bits (mini hot chocolate marshmallows)
- Create a Warm and Delicious Apple Strudel

INSTRUCTIONS

1. In a microwave safe bowl; combine white chocolate chips with 3 Tablespoons sweetened condensed milk.
2. In a separate bowl; combine dark chocolate chips with remaining sweetened condensed milk.
3. Line a square 9x9 pan with foil and generously grease with butter or shortening.
4. Microwave dark chocolate 30 seconds, stir. Microwave 15 seconds then stir vigorously until chocolate is smooth. Transfer mixture into prepared pan and spread into an even layer.
5. Microwave white chocolate 30 seconds. Stir until smooth. Spread mixture on top of dark chocolate layer.
6. Top with mini marshmallows then gently press down.
7. Refrigerate at least 4 hours to set.
8. Remove fudge and foil from pan. Carefully peel all foil from fudge.
9. Cut fudge into bite sized pieces and serve.



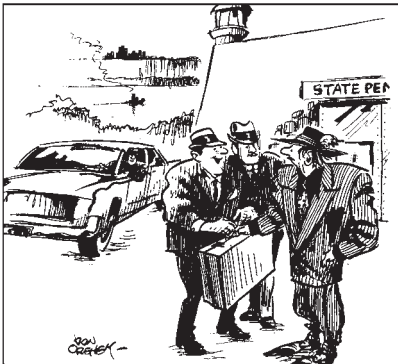
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SUNDAY SCRAMBLER

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!

Awry
WAKES
Fifth
GURGEN
Thrive
BOUDAN
Pivot
TREATO

TODAY'S WORD



"First thing we gotta get you, boss, is a new _____!"

Answer key located in this edition



Carol Ray
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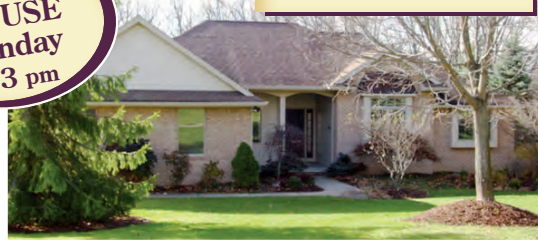


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Spacious, Well Maintained Contemporary 3 Bedroom Home W/Crooked Lake Access. Fire-lit Great Rm., Fin. LL, 4-Seasons Rm., 2-Tiered Deck W/Hot Tub, 3-Car Garage.

Waterfront



Fenton • \$629,500

Home On Lake Fenton Is Nearly 3000 Sq. Ft. W/2 Master Suites, 4 Baths, Open And Updated Kitchen, 3-Seasons Porch. View Lake Fenton From Every Room. 68' Lake Front.



Swartz Creek • \$209,900

Wyndemere Commons Townhouse. Exceptional Location. Open Design W/Vaulted Great Rm., Gas FP, Fin. LL W/3rd Bedroom And Full Bath. Covered Back Porch, Brick Paver Patio.

New Price



Grand Blanc • \$239,000

Beautiful 4 Bed, 4 Bath Home W/FP In Great Rm., Luxurious Master Ste., Fin. LL W/Wet Bar And Possible Theater Rm. Pond W/Fountain.

**OPEN
HOUSE
Sundays
1-4 pm**



Fenton • \$329,900

16403 Carrie Lane

2150 Sq. Ft. Ranch, 3 Bed, 3 Bath, 3 Car Side Entry Garage, Granite Countertops, HW Flrs., Vaulted And 9' Ceilings. Complete Home Packages. Open Sundays 1-4pm.

Vacant Land



Acreage • \$2,200,000

Fantastic Subdivision Development Opportunity On Almost 145 Acres. 250 Potential Homesites. Grand Blanc Schools.

Multi-Family



Linden • \$119,000

Great Investment Opportunity! This 2 Unit Duplex Offers 2 Bed, 1 Bath In Each Unit, Extra Deep Backyard W/Privacy Fence Between Units. Extra Storage Sheds.

Waterfront



Fenton • \$259,900

Runyan Lake/Fenton Schools! 2/3 Bedroom Contemporary Designed Home W/40' Frontage On All Sports Private Runyan Lake. Remodeled Kitchen W/SS Appliances, Open Floor Plan. Beautiful Views!

New on Market



Fenton • \$195,000

Nestled On 1 Acre Is This 3 Bed, 3 Bath, Quad-Level Waterfront Home W/2582 Sq. Ft. Of Living Space, W/Possible 4th Bedroom. Sullivan Lake Water Frontage.

Lake Fenton Schools



Fenton • \$194,900

Great 3 Bed, 3 Bath, Ranch Home In Great Location. Updated Appliances, Carpets And Interior Paint. Fenced Yard. Large Lot.

Waterfront



Fenton • \$1,149,999

Impeccably Maintained Home. 115' Of Lake Frontage And 5900 Sq. Ft. Of Living Space. 5 Bed, 4.5 Baths, Multi-Level Decking, Sandy Beach, 2nd Full Kit. In LL. Fantastic Views.

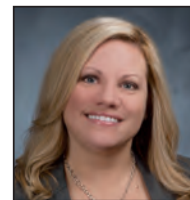


Fenton • \$195,800

Wonderful 3 Bedroom Colonial In Quiet Neighborhood. Private Backyard. New Kitchen, Quartz Counter Tops, Appliances, Carpet. Updated Baths. Move-In Ready!



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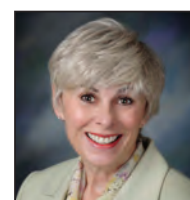
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