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### SUMMARY

The Christmas season keeps arriving earlier and earlier, giving some people an early start to holiday shopping.

### ■ These women have some great tips for you

By Sally Rummel

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

Christmas ads are already touting the latest must-have toys, holiday music is playing on the radio, and believe it or not, some organized shoppers have already tied the last bow on their gifts.

If you're waiting to shop until the traditional Christmas shopping kick-off on Black Friday, you may have already missed some of the deals retailers are rolling out earlier and earlier. It's not your imagination; retail promotions have

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“When my daughter or husband say they like or want something, it goes on the list along with where we saw it.”

Holly Vauter

Early bird Christmas shopper



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Elections of Fenton sales associate Shelby Fisher rings up a purchase for Ron Mason of Grand Blanc on Friday morning. Mason was buying Christmas gifts and is nearly done with his shopping for the season.

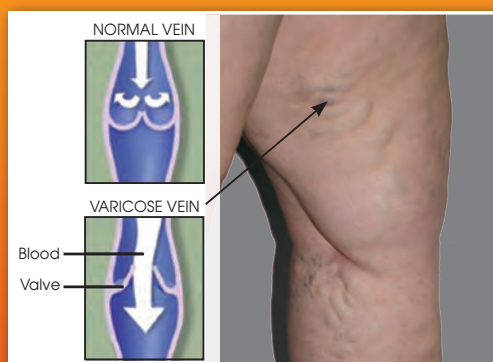
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## SHOPPING

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shifted at least two weeks earlier over the past five years, according to a 2015 holiday retail trends study.

According to a recent survey by CreditCards.com, 34 million people, or 14 percent of Americans, started their shopping as early as September and one million said they are already finished.

Sandi Belyk is one of those "early bird" shoppers. She'll be mailing packages this week out west and to Florida, where she and husband, Jeff, will be spending Christmas.

"This year, I did all the shopping about three weeks earlier than usual, because of all the commitments I have at church in November and December," said Belyk, 61.

She bought gifts for 15 people in her family, plus "fur-baby" grandchildren. "I try to plot out a plan and guesstimate what I'm going to buy," she said. "I shop in Fenton, Linden and close to our (temporary) home near Lansing. What I can't find, I buy online."

When it comes to holiday shopping, most people likely belong in one of two camps: the early birds, all wrapped up and done by Nov. 1, or the procrastinators, still wrapping it up on Christmas Eve.

More than half of us won't finish until sometime in December, according to CreditCards.com. Nearly one in four shoppers, however, say they will finish shopping by the end of November.

A surprising 30 percent admit they'll wrap up their shopping on Christmas Eve — a figure that rises to 37 percent for shoppers under the age of 30.

Holly Vauter, 35, of Fenton Township, is one of the "early birds," except she admits this year she is a bit behind in her shopping. She prepares for Christmas all year by keeping a list. "When my daughter or husband say they like or want something, it goes on

**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | SUBMITTED PHOTO  
Sandi Belyk and her husband, Jeff, will be spending Christmas in Florida this year, so she has already finished all her shopping.



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | SUBMITTED PHOTO  
Early bird shopper Holly Vauter of Fenton Township is pictured with her daughter, Virginia, 7, and husband, Mike.

the list along with where we saw it."

She also uses another strategy that helps with budgeting. "I buy a \$25 gift card from Walmart and Target each week, which gives me \$1,200 to each store by the end of the year. I use those gift cards to pay for Christmas shopping, as well as use them for gifts."

Early bird shoppers have the advantages of saving time and money during the holidays, so they can relax and enjoy the season. Early shopping also allows people to spread out the cost over time.

Procrastinators often end up spending more money, because they aren't able to do the comparison shopping that early shoppers do.

"Usually, I'm completely done by the end of October," said Vauter.

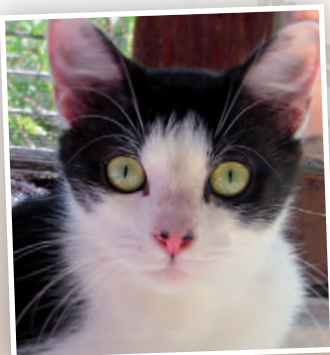
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• **DEER EAT QUICKLY** without much chewing of food. Later as they rest, they cough up their food and chew it.

• **A WHITE-TAILED DEER** uses its tail to communicate with other deer. If a deer senses danger, it will raise its tail as well as stomp the ground and snort by blowing air through its nostrils.

• **A DEER'S COAT** will change from reddish brown in the summer to grayish brown in the winter to help the deer stay in camouflage all year long.

• **THE DEER'S EYES**, which are located on the side of its head, give it 310 degrees of vision without moving its head. However this position of the eyes also makes it hard for a deer to focus on objects.

• **A BUCK WILL** use its antlers to establish dominance over other male deer and the right to mate with female deer or does.

• **GLANDS ON THE** deer's legs and feet leave a scent on the trail to help communicate with other deer.



• **A DEER'S POWERFUL** legs allow it to run at speeds of up to 40 miles per hour and jump fences up to 9 feet tall. A deer at a full run can broad jump 30 feet.

• **DEER ARE POWERFUL** swimmers and will often swim to cross bodies of water. A deer can swim at up to 13 miles per hour.

• **A FULL GROWN** deer will measure around 3 feet tall from the ground to the top of the back. A full grown white tail can weigh 200 plus pounds.

• **DEER AGE CAN** be determined by checking its teeth. Deer have baby teeth just like people and lose their baby teeth by 18 months old.

• **BUCKS MARK THEIR** territory by removing bark from trees with their antlers. This is called a buck rub. Once a deer establishes a territory it will not leave it unless it is bumped out by humans or predators.

• **WHEN FREE OF** predators and hunting pressure, deer can double in population every year. Just two deer when left alone can produce up to 35 deer in just seven years.

• **DEER CAN LIVE** up to 11 years in the wild. If they don't fall victim to a predator or hunter at this age their teeth start to wear out and they can no longer eat.

• **ONLY MALE DEER** or bucks grow antlers. Deer are the only animals on the planet with antlers. Antlers are the fastest growing tissue on earth. A whitetail bucks antlers can grow up to 1/2 inch per day.

• **THE SIZE, MASS** and number of points on a buck's rack or antlers is determined by nutrition, age and genetics of the buck.

• **THE ESTIMATED NATIONWIDE** population of the white-tailed deer is believed to be 29 million strong, up from around 500,000 in the early 1900s when unregulated commercial hunting threatened to eliminate deer all together.

• **WHITE-TAILED DEER** are believed to be completely color blind and have very poor depth perception.

• **A DEER LICKS** its nose to help keep it moist. The moist nose allows scent particles to stick to it helping the deer to smell things better. SOURCE: WIDEOPENSACES.COM

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# Linden man recalls 1967 train derailment

**By Mark Rummel, guest writer**  
news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

Floyd Stayt heard about a train derailment in Linden on the radio early one winter day in February 1967, so the Flint resident and his son drove to see what happened.

“The roads were blocked and we couldn’t get very far,” the 87-year-old Stayt recently recalled. “We parked the car and walked toward the track,” said Stayt, who now resides at Caretel Inns of Linden with his wife. He is a retired General Motors engineer.

“I brought my camera with me, and took a few photos. That’s about all I remember.”

Stayt’s scrapbook photos show how much damage can be done in a few moments, when tracks fail and train cars are involved. The westbound Grand Trunk Western Railroad freight was loaded with auto racks — open rail cars carrying several levels of new automobiles and trucks.

When the rail cars left the track just west of the Bridge Street crossing northwest of downtown Linden, these autos and trucks crashed to the ground and into each other, before anyone could ever drive them off a dealer’s new car lot.

Total damage costs and other details are unknown today, 49 years later, but Stayt’s grandson Dustin Jeffers of Linden shared these snapshots. He also published them on a Grand

Trunk Railroad History Facebook Page. “All I remember is that it was quite a mess,” Stayt said.

**Background from one of Mark Rummel’s train friends, Elba Steve:**

A local high school student at the time was cruising with some friends in their gold 1965 Chevy Biscayne, when they also heard on the radio of a train derailment in Linden, just west of downtown. They got there about 10 p.m. but couldn’t get across Linden Road (Bridge Street) in Linden. It included some loaded auto racks, Elba Steve remembers.

**“I brought my camera with me, and took a few photos. That’s about all I remember.”**

**Floyd Stayt**  
*Now a resident of Caretel Inns of Linden*



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SUBMITTED PHOTO

Train derailments aren’t a regular occurrence in the tri-county area, but three major railroad accidents are on record in the Fenton, Linden, Holly area since 1933. Shown above is a derailment that occurred in 1967 in Linden.

## Other area train accidents



**June 29, 1952**

Grand Trunk Western railroad train crash between Linden and Fenton



**Sept. 28, 1933**

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**Nov. 15, 2001**

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—Footprints in the Sand

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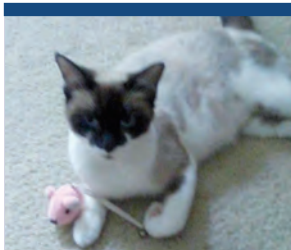
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The Fenton Township Board held a special meeting on Tuesday November 1, 2016 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

1. Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.
2. Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
3. Approved the agenda as presented.
4. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$423,073.25.
5. Awarded a CDBG contract for the demolition of a blighted structure located at 12480 Fenton Road to Bruce Lowe Excavating.
6. Placed a moratorium on permits issued under Ordinance No. 707 for a period of six months, or until a new/revised ordinance has been adopted, whichever occurs first.
7. Adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

A complete copy of the minutes of this meeting and any ordinances adopted at the meeting are on file and available for review at the Fenton Township Office, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan 48430. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Wednesday and 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Friday. Ordinances, meeting schedules, meeting minutes and other Township information are also available at [www.fentontownship.org](http://www.fentontownship.org).

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FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

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TIME: 6:00 PM  
PLACE: HOLLY TOWNSHIP HALL  
102 CIVIC DRIVE  
HOLLY, MI 48442  
PHONE: 248-634-9331 Ext. 301

The purpose of the public hearing is to consider a Two (2) Variance Requests from the Side Yard Setbacks Requirements in the Holly Township Code of Ordinances Chapter 32 Zoning, Section 32-104 Schedule of Regulations, by the following applicants:

**Laura Maki 1439 Woodnoll Dr., Flint, MI 48507 for Parcel Number 01-07-100-009 on Gage Rd., Holly MI 48442.**

and

**Mark Goddu 28460 Wales Dr. Chesterfield Twp., MI 48047 for Parcel Number 01-24-326-011 on Hess Rd., Holly MI 48442.**

Any person having interest is encouraged to attend the hearing or comment by letter to the Holly Township Zoning Administrator, 102 Civic Drive, Holly, MI 48442.

A copy of the application may be reviewed at the Clerk's office at the above-mentioned address during regular business hours Monday through Friday 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. except holidays.

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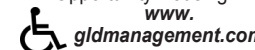
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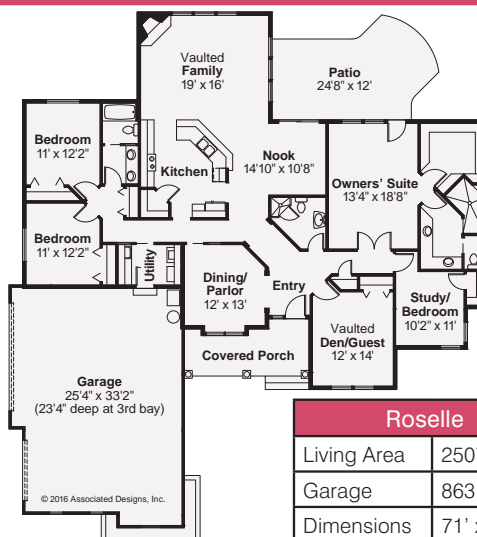
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### Roselle PLAN 30-427

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# Obituaries

# Times

## Charles Franks

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## Frederick White

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## Hazel Adams

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## Helen Baldner

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## Howard Micoff

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## John Miller

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## John Squier

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## Kenneth Ballentine

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## Kirk Ramsay

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## Marjorie Bell

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## Martha Draspa

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## Matthew Sewell

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## Shirley Beausoleil

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## Virginia Hibner

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## Barbara Jenkins

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## Johnie Sweetin

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## Charles Murray

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## Nancy C. Swanebeck

1937-2016

Nancy C. Swanebeck - age 79, of Fenton, died Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at Hurley Medical Center. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 11 AM Saturday, November 12, 2016 at



St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton with Fr. David Harvey celebrant. Interment will follow at St. John Cemetery. Visitation was held 3-8 PM Friday at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton where a rosary was prayed at 7 PM Friday evening. Those desiring may make memorial contributions to St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Hurley Children's Miracle Network, Howell Nature Center or the Knights of Columbus. Nancy was born the youngest of six children to the late Franklin and Grace (Simpson) Beardsley. She was raised on a farm in Lapeer where she enjoyed horseback riding and fencing. She was a graduate of Michigan State University and attended the National Championship of Fencing in 1951-1956. Nancy taught advanced high school mathematics at Carmen-Ainsworth schools after college. She married Donald Swanebeck on August 12, 1961 and continued farming with her husband. Donald preceded her in death on July 10, 1989 and Nancy continued to manage the family farm while raising two daughters. Surviving are: two daughters, Susan Swanebeck, DVM and husband, David Brandly of Fenton, Kathleen and husband, Dan Dimich of Fenton; three granddaughters, Ava, Kora, and Mya Dimich; loving sisters-in-law, Barbara Pougnet and Carol VanBuren; cousin, Harvey Swanebeck. She was also preceded in death by: five siblings, Marion Sohlden, Roberta Campbell, Robert Beardsley, Ret. Col. Ralph Beardsley and Ray Beardsley. Friends may share an online tribute on the obituary page of [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



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# Wife frustrated by husband's lack of steady work

**DEAR AMY:** My husband of 29 years has been working as a contractor for the last nine years. His last stable position was in 2007. He finished two graduate degrees in the next couple of years, but that was when the economy had a downturn, and he never could find a job that would pay him adequately for what his degrees gave him the expertise to do. He's very diligent about applying and interviewing. When he does work, he makes two to three times what I make, but only once in the last nine years has he worked all 12 months of the year. When he's not working he does all of the housework. He cooks. He's a wonderful husband and father. I'm just so resentful that he has four to six months off a year, and I don't know how to get over it. I'm sure it's no fun for him not to be working and to worry about how long he's been out of work. He recently took a position with a company that will sell in a year, so even this job will end abruptly. Since I can't depend on him to keep steady work, we've had to move out of our rental home after 11 years and into a mobile home. When we were talking the other night I told him that I'm always waiting for the other shoe to drop. He said that I was being nasty and that I say mean, horrible things to him all the time. I don't think I do. He always does his best and I've been supportive and very logical, but his income isn't steady. He doesn't appreciate that fact that I'm not big on working, but have always worked over 40 hours a week, year in and year out. But he doesn't understand that I'm in my 50s now and that I just feel this isn't what I signed up for. I wish we had money for counseling, but we have to save up what he earns, and he doesn't want to spend any extra when he could

be out of work in a few months. What to do? — Tired and Anxious

ASK

Amy

BY AMY DICKINSON



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**DEAR TIRED:** You say that your husband “always does his best,” and yet you obviously don’t think this is his best, because you also say you resent him for having “four to six months off each year.” But — if your husband pulls in two or three times what you make when he’s working, and does all the housework and cooking when he isn’t working, then it seems that he really is pulling down an equal income and does more housework, cooking and parenting than you do. There is no question that his work pattern is stressful for the entire household, but you seem to think that what you “signed up for” is a husband who should work harder outside the home than you do, and who should make more than you. In short, your assumptions are that your husband will basically support the family, while your income will be supplemental. You are the primary and steady breadwinner in your household. This might not be what you signed up for, but you should be proud of your own role, and perhaps more aware of how you cast your husband’s relative success. You both sound responsible and successful. I hope you can find a way to give yourselves — and each other — a break.

**DEAR AMY:** “Wondering” had lived through 30 years of an abusive marriage, and now her husband wants to reconcile. My husband did that, too. After every explosion and breakup, he wanted to get back together. I’m glad I finally got out, and I hope she stays out. — Been There

**DEAR BEEN THERE:** Fortunately, “Wondering” did not seem inclined to reconcile. I’m with her.

# Smoking relative is fooling herself

**DEAR DR. ROACH:** My relative is a 69-year-old who has smoked for 55 years. She has a terrible cough. I want her to cover her mouth with a hankie or tissue when she coughs. The coughing can go on for a few minutes. She insists that she is not sick, and that it's just allergies. I say she is spraying her sputum, and I might catch what she doesn't know she has. — S.B.

To your

GOOD HEALTH

BY KEITH ROACH, M.D.



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**ANSWER:** You don't need to be worrying about yourself. Although it is possible that she has pneumonia, most pneumonias are not transmitted from person to person, so the risk to others is low. You need to be worrying about your relative. With this degree of cough, it is very likely that she has chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. What's worse, a small number of smokers with a cough like this have lung cancer. In all probability, she is fooling herself that she has only allergies. She needs to

quit smoking, now, and also get evaluated. The booklet on COPD explains in detail both emphysema and chronic bronchitis, the two elements of COPD. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Roach — No. 601W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow 4-6 weeks for delivery.

**DEAR DR. ROACH:** Can you place plastics in the dishwasher? I have read that dangerous chemicals can be released from the plastic. — R.E.

**ANSWER:** Most plastics are safe, but you should put only plastics labeled “dishwasher safe” in the dishwasher, and placing on the top rack reduces the heat the plastic is subjected to. Never reuse any plastic that has been partially melted by dishwasher or microwave.

# DVD RELEASES

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**SAUSAGE PARTY**  
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**R, 1 hr. 39 min.**  
Animation, Comedy

88%

liked it

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**INDIGNATION**  
Based on Philip Roth's late novel, Indignation takes place in 1951, as Marcus Messner (Logan Lerman), a brilliant working class Jewish boy from Newark, New Jersey, travels on scholarship to a small, conservative college in Ohio, thus exempting him from being drafted into the Korean War. But once there, Marcus's growing infatuation with his beautiful classmate Olivia Hutton (Sarah Gadon), and his clashes with the college's imposing Dean, Hawes Caudwell (Tracy Letts), put his and his family's best laid plans to the ultimate test.  
**R, 1 hr. 40 min.** Drama

# BUCKEYE BROWNIE COOKIES



Here's another delicious recipe from Jill Breiting

**INGREDIENTS**  
1 box fudge brownie mix (19.5 ounce or family size)  
1/4 cup butter, melted  
4 oz. (1/2 block) cream cheese, softened  
1 egg  
1 cup powdered sugar  
1 cup creamy peanut butter  
4 blocks (about 4 ounces) chocolate Candiquik or your favorite chocolate

- INSTRUCTIONS**
- Heat oven to 350 degrees. In a medium bowl, beat the brownie mix, butter, cream cheese, and egg. The dough will be a little sticky. Scoop the dough onto an ungreased cookie sheet, making about 24 cookies. Smooth the edges of each to form a round cookie.
  - In a separate bowl, mix the powdered sugar and the peanut butter until it is completely combined. Form the mixture into about 1 inch balls. Make sure you have one ball for each cookie. Set aside.
  - Bake for the cookie dough 12 minutes, keeping an eye out to make sure the cookies doesn't overcook or undercook.
  - As soon as the cookies come out of the oven, press a peanut butter ball lightly into the center of each cookie. The peanut butter mixture will soften slightly, but that is OK. Let the cookies cool for 5 minutes, then transfer them to a wire rack to cool completely.
  - Melt the 4 blocks of chocolate in a microwavable bowl for 45 seconds. Stir the chocolate and melt for additional 15 seconds or until the chocolate is completely melted. (Candiquik comes in 16 ounce packages. When you open it, there are 16 blocks. Cut off 4 of these blocks for this recipe.) Spoon about 1/2 a tablespoon of melted chocolate on top of each cookie so it covers the peanut butter ball. Let the chocolate set. Store in an airtight container.

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