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This is the seventh story
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Surprising and fun facts about Asia's largest country

Planning a trip to China is an exciting adventure in itself. There are many different things to think about before going, and some things that need to be done before setting foot in the airport. For many countries, American citizens don't need a visa, but you will need to get one in advance before taking off for China. Visas are just one of the many things you'll want to prepare.

Population: 1,388,414,000

Area: 3.705 million square miles

Language: Official language is Mandarin Chinese. There are 56 recognized ethnic languages.

Religion: Buddhism, Taoism, Confucianism (main)

Currency: Yuan Renminbi

(One Yuan = 0.15 in US dollars)

GDP per capita: US \$14,400.90 (in 2016)

Literacy percent: 96.4

TRAVELING TO CHINA

Passports and Visas

You need to have a valid passport for visiting China. But you also need an appropriate visa. Visas are issued by the Chinese embassy or consulate-general serving your area. You can deal in person with the embassy or consulate, or you can ask your travel agent to manage the process for you.

Health concerns

You've heard about SARS and Avian Flu. You're concerned, but there's no reason to cancel your trip to China. Taking precautions while visiting any new place is a good idea and finding out the latest on what's happening in the area is the smart thing to do.

The U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention doesn't require any vaccinations before you go to China, but they do make some recommendations. There are also some basic items you'll want to take with you just in case you have a negative run-in with a meal.

Money matters

In the past, the travelers' check was the way to carry money around. Now with the prevalence of ATMs and credit cards, there are more convenient ways to make your purchases. Having a little advance notice of the denomination of the Chinese currency can also help you prepare for your trip.

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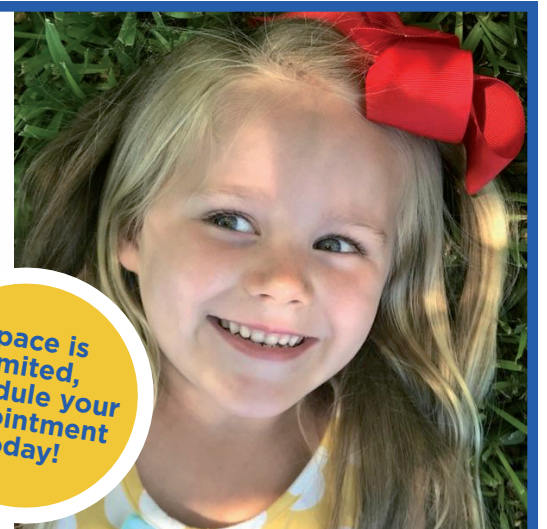
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KAHN- NELSON

Bernard and Deborah Kahn of Fenton, announce the engagement of their daughter, Rachael Lynn Kahn, to Jeffrey Michael Nelson, son of Jeff and Kimberly Nelson of Linden. Rachael and Jeffrey both attend Northern Michigan University and will be completing their Bachelor's degrees in Pre-Medical Studies. A wedding is being planned in Howell, Michigan for the fall of 2018.

Just sayin'...

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Reminded of another killer

Upon hearing the news last week that four young men had gone missing in a rural Pennsylvania area, one name came to my mind immediately — John Wayne Gacy.

Gacy was a serial killer and rapist who sexually assaulted, tortured and murdered at least 33 teenage boys and young men between 1972 and 1978. This occurred outside his home in Norwood Park, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago.

He was nicknamed 'The Killer Clown,' because he would dress as 'Pogo the Clown,' a character he created for himself, and entertain at fundraising events, parades, and children's parties.

A movie called 'To Catch a Killer,' about Gacy and the killings, was made in 1992.

It is sickening to think about the suffering these young men in Pennsylvania endured. As of Friday, the person of interest identified by authorities, Cosmo Dinardo, 20, has admitted to participation in the death of the four men, who are Dean Finocchiaro, 19, Jimi Tar Patrick, 19, Mark Sturgis, 22, and Tom Meo, 21.

While Finocchiaro was found Thursday, buried more than 12 feet deep on the Bucks County property that Dinardo's family owns, Dinardo told authorities where the remainder of the bodies were located.

While the authorities sort out the details of who, what, where and why, it is already being speculated that some kind of diminished mental capacity on the part of the alleged killer may be at play here. But no charges

had been filed at the time of this writing.

During the time Gacy was on his rampage in the Chicago suburbs, I lived in an apartment just a few miles away. He buried 26 of his victims in the crawl space of his home. Three other victims were buried elsewhere on his property, while the bodies of his last four known victims were discarded in the Des Plaines River.

I passed Gacy's neighborhood and that river every day on the way to work during the time he was killing these young people. In addition to my full-time job, I sometimes worked part time at a popular restaurant between his house and my apartment. I was a server and a bartender, and often wonder if I ever served him a beer or a pizza. Creepy!

Convicted of the 33 murders, Gacy was sentenced to death in March of 1980 for 12 of those killings. He spent 14 years on death row before he was executed by lethal injection in May of 1994.

As the mother of four young adult sons and stepsons, I shudder to think that anything like this could ever happen to them. Even though I know they are all very capable of taking care of themselves, you never know what could happen.

People liked and trusted Gacy because he was a volunteer and active in his community. He even met and was photographed with First Lady Rosalynn Carter in 1978, six years after the killings began. He had special Secret Service clearance for the occasion.

To my young male friends — no matter how big and bad you may be, please trust your instincts and stay safe. It's not just the ladies who are at risk of being targeted.

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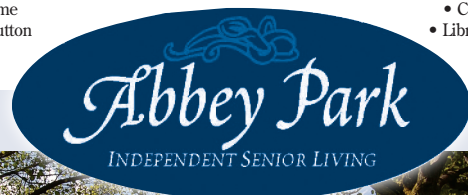
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"I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream ..." Well, maybe not. There are some very peculiar flavors of ice cream in the world. Would you eat any of these?



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CROCODILE EGG ICE CREAM

This unusual frozen treat has been introduced at the Sweet Spot Artisan Ice Cream in Davao City, Philippines. According to its owner Bianca Dizon, they've been run off their feet with demand for the creamy stuff, which is made from crocodile eggs instead of your average chicken fare.

Bianca claims the crocodile ice cream is "more nutritious than its classic counterparts since it contains less cholesterol," and that croc eggs "provide more protein than ordinary chicken eggs." She sources the eggs, which are either surplus or didn't hatch, from a nearby crocodile park.



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HORSEMEAT ICE CREAM

Suprisingly the one that weirs us out the most is horsemeat flavored ice cream from Japan. Basashi ice, sold in Tokyo markets, features chunks of blended raw horsemeat.



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OCTOPUS ICE CREAM

Ben & Jerry's may be known for their kooky creations but they've got nothing on the Japanese. Not content with coming up with wasabi and cactus flavors, adventurous ice cream enthusiasts are going overboard for octopus-flavored ice cream known as Taco Aisu.



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LOBSTER

Don't let the "chocolate" in the title fool you: Ben & Bill's Chocolate Emporium in Bar Harbor, Maine makes the most of The Pine Tree State's most famous delicacy with its Lobster Ice Cream, a butter ice cream-based treat with fresh (again buttered) lobster folded into each bite.



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WASABI PEA DUST

Big Gay Ice Cream started out as an experimental ice cream truck and morphed into one of New York City's most swoon-worthy ice cream shops, where the toppings — not the ice cream — make for an inimitable indulgence, with Toasted Curried Coconut, Cayenne Pepper, Cardamom, Sriracha and Wasabi Pea Dust among your choices.



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ESKIMO ICE CREAM

If you happen to find yourself in an ice cream shop in Juneau, remember this: Eskimo ice cream — also known as Akutag—is not the same thing as an Eskimo Pie, that chocolate covered ice cream bar you'll find in just about any grocery store. Though the statewide delicacy usually has usually got enough fresh berries mixed in to satisfy one's sweet tooth, its base is actually animal fat (reindeer, caribou, possibly even whale).

Sources: Stylist.co.uk and Mentalfloss.com



BREAST MILK ICE CREAM

London ice cream shop, The Ice creamists, caused a stir when they started selling breast milk ice cream, entitled "Baby Gaga." The controversial ice cream flavor was created using freshly expressed breast milk donations from members of the public, blended with Madagascan vanilla pods and lemon zest.

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Are TV commercials TOO LOUD?

FCC asks for people to report violations

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While watching TV, you have the volume set so you can perfectly hear the programs. The sound of the 6 o'clock news or "Jeopardy" is set to the same decibel so nothing is too loud, but you can still hear everything.

Then a commercial breaks up the program, and comes across louder than the show you're watching.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is in charge of regulating broadcast entertainment. In 2010, the Commercial Advertisement Loudness Mitigation (CALM) Act was passed and its goal was to require TV stations, cable operators, satellite TV providers or other multi-channel video program distributors to comply with the Advanced Television Systems Committee's A/85 Recommended Practice, or the ATSC A/85 RP.

"The ATSC A/85 RP is a set of methods to measure and control the audio loudness of digital programming, including commercials. This standard can be used by all broadcast television stations and pay TV providers," according to the FCC.

The CALM Act only applies to television commercials. Violators supposedly face a fine.

These rules became effective December 13, 2012. However, people are still saying that commercials are louder than regular programming.

On the Times Facebook page, local resident Steve Alexander said yes, commercials are louder.

"I learned video editing in college and was taught techniques to make this happen. Unless FCC actually issues fines, the law on the books won't stop advertisers from boosting audio levels," he said.

Alexander said commercials are sent to TV studios from different sources, and stations have different equipment. When they deliver a commercial, there's a leader on the front end, which doesn't air. The studio reads the leader for how loud it is. If the leader has an 8-decibel tone, the studio adjusts their output levels so the audio should match.

"What you do to cheat, is you make your 8-decibel tone a little bit quiet, so the TV studio runs your commercial a little louder," he said.

Melissa DiGiamberdine agreed and said, "Had a movie on yesterday afternoon. Fell asleep but was awakened by the loud commercials. So annoying."

A few others said Comcast allows louder commercials, as does DirecTV and Spectrum (formerly Charter).

Jacki Stephens said, "Yes, and it's beyond annoying. Mute them all the time!"

Reporting loud commercials to the FCC will help the commission to identify patterns or trends

of noncompliance from a certain station or TV provider.

To report loud commercials, go to consumercomplaints.fcc.gov/hc/en-us.

Click on the complaint button and then the file complaint link. Select the "Issues" drop-down box and choose "loud commercials."

The FCC needs information such as which TV provider you have, the name of the advertiser or product in commercial, when you saw the commercial, the name of the program, and a few other areas of inquiry on the form.

After reaching out to the FCC for comments, the Consumer Governmental Affairs Bureau sent data about TV complaint issues. According to the FCC, they have received 9,326 complaints about loud commercials since the Consumer Help Center was launched Oct. 31, 2014. Loud commercial complaints account for 9 percent of TV complaint issues.

"I learned video editing in college and was taught techniques to make this happen."

Steve Alexander
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MY COBRA COST for health insurance for two healthy people is \$1,283 per month. Thanks Obama.

THE KING'S JULY 12 column is so sensible that I'm certain he'll get tons of flack for it.

WHY DOES THE Times allow a group of angry people to be so abusive to others they labeled 'the left'? Who are the left anyway and why are these Hot-liners so angry at them? Let's have some specific information please.

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*Spotlight on:***T-MOBILE
IN FENTON**

• Long-time Fenton business family opens a new cell phone/accessories store

By Sally Rummel

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Gus Asmaro and Salam Asmaro, whose families have owned many Fenton businesses, including Locke's Party Shoppe & Deli, Merchants Gourmet Wine Shop and Fenton Party Store, opened T-Mobile in Fenton on June 16. Their store is at 3259 Owen Rd., between Target and Tractor Supply Company.

What are your main products and services at T-Mobile?

We carry cell phones from all the major carriers, including Samsung, Apple, LG and others, plus accessories and service plans. We buy out contracts for all carriers up to \$600 per line.

What sets you apart from other local cellular dealers?

T-Mobile has become the No. 1 carrier. Our slogan is 'the un-carrier.' We do what the others don't do. We're all unlimited in our talk, text and data plans. With a standard plan, you can use your phone in Canada and Mexico and 140



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Gus Asmaro and his cousin, Salam Asmaro, stand in their T-Mobile store in Fenton, which is located off Owen Road between Target and Tractor Supply Company.

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Enjoy ice cream without guilt

■ It's National Ice Cream Month

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Forget about your diet today — Sunday, July 16 is officially National Ice Cream Day. In fact, you can eat ice cream without guilt every day of July, because the entire month is National Ice Cream Month.

In 1984, President Ronald Reagan designated these important dates in support of the American dairy industry, recognizing ice cream as a "fun and nutritious food enjoyed by more than 90 percent of the nation's population."

Of course, this same president was also a huge supporter of jelly beans, but that's a whole different story.

Even with the hundreds of different ice cream flavors scooped in the marketplace, vanilla and chocolate remain the two most popular flavors of ice cream for Americans, according to a survey by the International Dairy Foods Association.

Why is vanilla just a big flavor? Industry experts suggest that its flexibility is a driving factor in its success. It can be used as the main ingredient for sundaes, shakes, malts and floats, while also being a popular topper for pies and cakes.

America's favorite ice cream brand is one that has been around since 1866 — Breyers. In second and third place are Ben & Jerry's and Haagen-Daz.

While ice cream isn't exactly a "health food," TV's Dr. Oz

says that there are some nutritional benefits to eating full-fat dairy products, including ice cream. He said in a recent blog that ice cream may help you lose weight, if eaten in moderation — ½ cup of vanilla or chocolate weighing in at 140 calories, 7 g. fat and 14 g. sugar.

Ice cream also has important nutrients, including calcium, phosphorous, potassium, B vitamins and a decent helping of protein.

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Watermelon — anyway you slice it

■ You can enjoy this favorite summertime treat in more ways than one

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A big slice of juicy red watermelon is the literal “taste of summer” for many people who remember this special treat of childhood.

While watermelons are grown across the U.S., the top four watermelon-producing states are Texas, Florida, Georgia and California, producing almost half of all the watermelons grown in the U.S.

Homegrown Michigan watermelons will be in season from August through September, but nationally, they’re available in many stores beginning in May.

To select the best watermelon, look for a melon that is uniformly firm, even on the blossom end. Pick it up: whether it’s big or small, the watermelon should feel heavy for its size. Look for the yellow spot: watermelons develop a splotch where they rest on the ground. When this splotch is creamy yellow, it’s ripe.

Watermelons are also very healthy, containing about 92 percent water, and lots of important nutrients, according to livescience.com. Each juicy bite contains significant levels of vitamins A, B6 and C, lots of lycopene, antioxidants and amino acids. There’s even a modest amount of potassium.

A two-cup serving of diced watermelon has 80 calories, 21 grams of carbohydrates, including 1 gram of dietary fiber and 20 grams of natural sugar.

While slicing a watermelon into thick juicy slices is the most popular way to eat this summer fruit, there are a number of other ways to enjoy this seasonal treat:

SUMMARY

■ Nothing says summer like a big, thick slice of juicy watermelon. They are in stores now, but homegrown Michigan watermelons won’t be available until August.



Watermelon mojitos

(makes 2 drinks)

INGREDIENTS:

30 mint leaves
1 large lime
2 T. sugar
2 cups ice
4 fluid ounces white rum
½ cup liquefied fresh watermelon
½ cup club soda
Serving of diced watermelon (optional)
Serving of mint leaves and small slices of watermelon

DIRECTIONS:

Place mint leaves, lime juice and pulp, and sugar in a medium pitcher. Use a muddler (bar tool) to crush the mint and blend the juice and sugar. Add the ice, rum, watermelon juice and club soda. Stir, taste and add more sugar or lime to taste. Add a few diced watermelon pieces, if desired, and garnish each glass with a mint and thin slice of watermelon.

For more ideas,
visit watermelon.org



Shrimp goat cheese watermelon salad stacks

INGREDIENTS:

8 large shrimp, peeled and deveined
1 t. onion powder
1 t. garlic powder
½ t. salt
½ t. smoked paprika (or regular)
¼ t. chipotle pepper powder (optional)
1 seedless watermelon, cut crosswise into 2-inch thick slices
1 (8 oz.) goat cheese long, cut into eight slices
2 t. balsamic vinegar
4 sprigs fresh basil

DIRECTIONS:

Preheat oven to 430 degrees F. Season shrimp with spices through chipotle pepper powder. Set shrimp into baking dish.

Bake shrimp in preheated oven until bright pink on the outside, about 8 minutes.

Use a ring mold (slightly larger in diameter than the diameter of the goat cheese slices) to cut watermelon into circle shapes. Cut circle shapes into 12 ¼-inch thick slices.

Place a slice of watermelon on a plate. Top with one slice cheese, one slice watermelon, one slice cheese, one slice watermelon, two shrimp, to form a salad stack. Repeat with remaining watermelon slices, cheese and shrimp. Drizzle balsamic vinegar over each stack and garnish with basil.



Pork and watermelon kebabs

INGREDIENTS:

6 T. brown sugar
6 T. soy sauce
6 T. diced red onion
3 garlic cloves, minced
3 T. lemon juice
1 T. olive oil
¼ t. ground thyme
Dash pepper, to taste
1 pound boned, lean pork chop cut into 1-inch cubes (38 to 40 pieces)
32 1-inch cubes of watermelon
16 to 24 ½-inch zucchini slices
16 1-inch pineapple chunks
24 1-inch yellow and/or orange peppers
Cooking spray

DIRECTIONS:

Combine sugar, soy sauce, onion, garlic, lemon juice, olive oil, thyme, and pepper in a mixing bowl. Pour into a zip-lock bag and add pork pieces. Seal bag, mix thoroughly, and refrigerate for at least 1 hour, turning bag on occasion.

Remove pork and reserve marinade. Thread 5 pork pieces, 4 watermelon cubes, 2 to 3 zucchini rounds, 2 pineapple chunks, and 3 peppers on each of 8 skewers, alternating the order.

Heat the grill to medium high. Spray cooking surface and grill kebabs for 12 to 15 minutes, turning and basting frequently with reserved marinade. Garnish with sesame seeds and chunks of watermelon.



Barbecued watermelon slices

Slice rounds of watermelon into quarters, leaving the rinds on. Season with a sprinkle of salt and a splash of olive oil. Flip them on the grill for 5-6 minutes. The heat will intensify the natural sugar and the grill will add beautiful marks, according to onegreenplanet.org.

The Truth about Slipped or Bulging DISC Pain

■ By Sam Potter



Back Pain, Arm or Leg Pain, Numbness, Tingling, or Weakness in the Arms or Legs is often caused by a Slipped DISC or Bulging DISC. That’s when one of the spinal discs is losing its normal shape and causing these symptoms because of the effect it’s having on the nervous system. It may have been diagnosed on an MRI and it is often thought that there is little that can be done about the problem and that’s a major problem. “It’s just bad information because in the right hands a lot can be done for Slipped or Bulging Discs,” said Dr. James Ide of Painless Chiropractic of Fenton.

To end the problems caused by Slipped DISCS you must have the right information. Pay close attention because we’re going to destroy some important myths and reveal the facts.

MYTH: DISC problems will just “go away” with some rest.

FACT: When dealing with back pain, buttock pain or leg pain, then seek help from a DISC specialist immediately. Left untreated, DISC problems can get worse.

MYTH: Pain is the only problem associated with a Slipped DISC.

FACT: In severe cases, this problem can lead

to the inability to control the bowels, bladder and sexual potency - leading to embarrassing situations.

MYTH: Pain medications can help with Slipped DISCs.

FACT: Drugs like muscle relaxants, pain killers, narcotics, antidepressants, and anti-seizure medications can cover up symptoms but do not cure Slipped spinal DISCs.

MYTH: Stop exercising and get several weeks of bed rest to let the Slipped DISC recover...

FACT: Staying active can help to relieve the pain and prevent the pain getting worse. Staying inactive in bed could be the worst advice - based on a recent study in the Netherlands.

MYTH: A Slipped DISC requires surgery.

FACT: NO! There’s been a huge breakthrough in the treatment of Slipped DISCs. It’s a new procedure called Non-Surgical Re-Constructive Spinal Care. The excellent results from this treatment have been published in major medical journals. Success rates are up to 88%.

MYTH: “There’s nothing anyone can really do. I’m just stuck with this for the rest of my life.”

FACT: With the correct treatment from a healthcare professional who specializes in Slipped DISCs, you can find relief from the core cause - and the symptoms.

MYTH: Getting a Slipped DISC properly diagnosed is expensive.

FACT: Not true. Dr. James Ide of Fenton is currently offering an initial Consultation and



Dr. James Ide

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CHINA

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Avoid ruining your trip, solicit the aid of a travel agent

There's so much to see and do in China, you'll want to focus on the good. But with any new country and culture, there might be some annoyances or irritations. It is therefore recommended that anyone planning to visit China whether for business or pleasure, hire a travel agent. You may find the services of Superior Travel in Fenton (810) 629-4270, or Travel Brokers, Inc., also in Fenton (810-750-4200, to be very valuable in making sure your trip is a success.

Time difference

Michigan and China are 12 hours apart. When it is 9 a.m. in Michigan, for example, it is 9 p.m. in China.

Distance and airfare

Beijing, China is 6,582 miles from Fenton. Airfare from Detroit to Beijing can run anywhere from \$1,400 to over \$2,000.

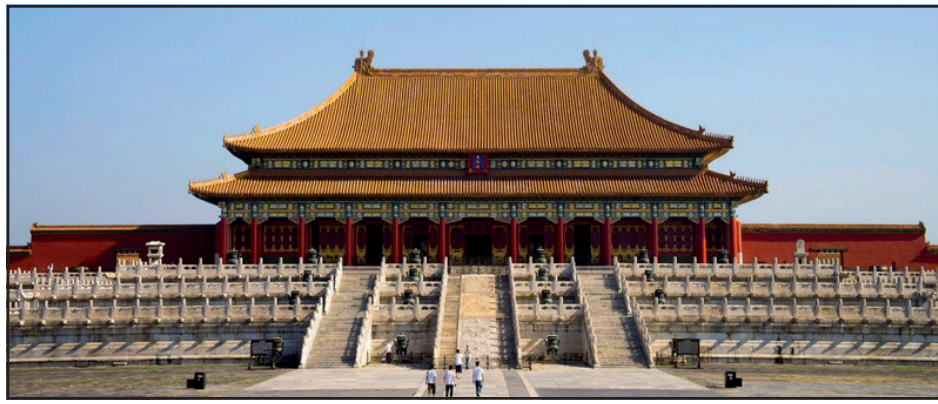
FOOD

Chinese cuisine is a very important part of Chinese culture. Chinese dishes are famous for color, aroma, taste, meaning and appearance.

The following are eight of the most popular dishes among foreigners and Chinese. They are are sweet and sour pork (chicken), gong bao chicken, ma po tofu, wontons, dumplings, spring rolls, chow mein and Peking duck. These dishes are available in most large restaurants in China.

POLITICS

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The Forbidden City was the imperial palace of the Ming and Qing Dynasties for 560 years until 1911. Twenty-four emperors lived there. World Cultural Heritage, and now known as 'the Palace Museum' among Chinese, it is a treasure house of Chinese cultural and historical relics.

Republic of China (PRC) is exercised through the Communist Party, the Central People's Government and their provincial and local representation. The President of China is the titular head of state, serving as the ceremonial figurehead under National People's Congress.

CURRENCY

Chinese currency is called Yuan or Renminbi; there is essentially no difference. One Chinese Yuan is the equivalent to \$0.15 in U.S. money.

MUST-SEE ATTRACTIONS

The Great Wall

In the eyes of most travelers, you haven't been to China if you haven't climbed the Great Wall. One of the iconic symbols of China, the Great Wall, is the longest wall in the world, an awe-inspiring feat of ancient defensive architecture. Its winding path over rug-



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Giant pandas are deeply loved by the Chinese and foreigners alike.

ged country and steep mountains takes in some great scenery. It deserves its place among "the New Seven Wonders of the World" and the UNESCO World Heritage Sites in China.

The wall spans from China's western frontier to the east coast, totaling around 5,000 km (3,100 miles), but the most integrated and best preserved sections are close to Beijing. So this is what people usually mean when mentioning the Great Wall of China.

The Terracotta Army in Xi'an

The Terracotta Army has laid underground for more than 2,000 years. However, in 1974, farmers digging a well uncovered one of the greatest archaeological sites in the world. In 1987, it became World Cultural Heritage.

It is significant because the hundreds of detailed life-size models represent the army that triumphed over all other Chinese armies in the Warring States Period (475-221 BC), and who were the decisive factor in forming a united China.

The Forbidden City in Beijing

It was once a "palace city" where ordinary people were forbidden entry. With an extravagant demonstration of ancient Chinese architecture, more than 8,000 rooms with golden roofs are elegantly designed and painted in red and yellow.

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It is recognized as one of the five most important palaces in the world, with the Palace of Versailles in France, Buckingham Palace in the UK, the White House in the U.S., and the Kremlin in Russia.

The Li River in Guilin

The landscape along the Li River has captured the heart of artists. Generations of Chinese painters and poets have been

inspired by the beauty of nature there.

The 83-kilometer-long section of the Li River between Guilin and Yangshuo is the most beautiful. The river landscape is decorated with startling hills, steep cliffs, and farming villages, and is lined with bamboo groves.

The Li River was listed as one of the "World's Top Ten Watery Wonders" by America's National Geographic Magazine.

Three best national parks

In east China, close to Shanghai and Hangzhou, the Yellow Mountain Scenic Area woos travelers with its five wonders: sunrises, seas of clouds, oddly shaped rocks, twisted pine trees, and hot springs.

The Yellow Mountains are the most famous peaks in China, and one of China's three best national parks — the other two being Zhangjiajie National Forest Park and Jiuzhaigou National Forest Park.

Jiuzhaigou in west China's Sichuan Province is famous for its multicolored lakes and fall foliage; Zhangjiajie National Forest Park is well-known for its grotesque rock pillars. If you are looking for world-class scenery, consider going to all of them.

Giant pandas in Chengdu

The giant panda is not only deeply loved by the Chinese, but by many foreigners too, and not just children. Although there are many zoos in China and elsewhere, where you can see a giant panda, the best place to see them is Chengdu, the giant panda's "hometown."

There are three places you can see pandas close up: Chengdu Panda Breeding and Research Center, Dujiangyan Panda Valley, and Bifengxia Panda Base.

You can get even closer to the pandas by taking a volunteer program in Bifengxia or Dujiangyan Panda Valley, an hour outside Chengdu.

The Potala Palace in Lhasa

The Potala Palace is a symbol of Tibet. In 1994, it was declared a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage Site. It is a huge treasure house of materials and articles from Tibetan history, religion, culture and art. The palace is widely known for the precious sculptures, murals, scriptures, Buddhist statues, murals, antiques, and religious jewelry housed within.

The Bund in Shanghai

The Bund is one of the most recognizable architectural symbols of Shanghai. It showcases the world with its colonial European buildings and skyscrapers the other side of the Huangpu, housing one of the world's foremost business districts. The Bund was Shanghai's most prosperous area in late 18th century and early 19th century. When the first British company opened an office at the Bund in 1846, it became the epitome of elegance.

West Lake in Hangzhou

Hangzhou is renowned as China's "paradise on earth" owing to its beautifully crafted landscape. West Lake was created after the Chinese love for garden-style parks for recreation. West Lake is a place of tranquility where urbanity becomes a silhouette on the northeast horizon and mountains near and far surrounds it on the other three sides.

To admire the beauty of West Lake, visitors can leisurely bike around the lake, walk around the lake, or take a short cruise on the lake.

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CITY OF FENTON

NOTICE REGARDING PETITIONS FOR MAYOR OR CITY COUNCIL FOR THE NOVEMBER 7, 2017 CITY GENERAL ELECTION

DUE TO A CHANGE IN MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, THE DEADLINE PRESCRIBED IN THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF FENTON FOR PETITIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR OR CITY COUNCIL NO LONGER APPLIES.

THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT COMPLETED PETITIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR OR CITY COUNCIL IN THE CITY OF FENTON IS **TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2017 AT 4:00 PM.** PETITIONS ARE DELIVERABLE TO THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 301 SOUTH LEROY STREET, FENTON, MICHIGAN 48430.

ANY INDIVIDUALS WHO WISH TO SEEK CONSIDERATION ON THE NOVEMBER 7, 2017 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT AS A CANDIDATE WILL NEED TO SUBMIT PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDING DOCUMENTATION BEFORE THE DEADLINE OF TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2017 AT 4:00 PM.

TYRONE TOWNSHIP

PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS

HELD JULY 11, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M.

1. Present: Supervisor Mike Cunningham, Treasurer Marna Bunting-Smith, Clerk Marcella Husted, Trustees Chuck Schultz, Soren Pedersen, Al Pool, and David Walker.
2. Opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. to review and answer questions pertaining to the Apple Orchard Drive Waste Collection Special Assessment Roll.
3. Closed the public hearing and reopened the regular meeting at 7:05 p.m.
4. Approved the agenda as presented; approved the consent agenda as presented.
5. Received and placed on file Communication #1-3 as presented.
6. Adopted Resolution #170701 confirming the special assessment roll for the Apple Orchard Drive Waste Collection Project.
7. Approved the request of Supe's Exotic Jungle for a Special Land Use Permit.
8. Authorized the refund of a sewer overpayment to parcel 4707-09-201-010.
9. Adopted a township escrow policy for special assessment district inquiries.
10. Accepted the resignation of Marna Bunting-Smith as Treasurer effective no later than September 30, 2017.
11. Directed Trustee Walker to inquire if the Economic Development Council would agree to keep investment fees the same as in previous years.
12. Approved the agreement with Fenton Sand and Gravel regarding hours of operation and reclamation.
13. Adjourned at 7:40 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.tyrone-township.us. The next regular meeting of the Tyrone Township Board will be held on Tuesday, July 25, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Tyrone Township Hall. The public is encouraged to attend.

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PUBLIC NOTICE GROVELAND TOWNSHIP GROVELAND TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS Deferment of Summer Taxes

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If you have any questions, please call Shelly Kidd, Deputy Treasurer Groveland Township at (248) 634-4152

ROSE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS

July 12, 2017

Supervisor Scheib-Snider called the Regular Meeting of the Rose Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Board Members Present: Scheib-Snider, Miller, Gambka, Blaska
Board Members Absent/Excused: Noble
Approved: Agenda with addition of item F, MTA Open Meetings Act.
Approved: Consent Agenda.
Approved: \$1,179.00 to join SEMCOG for current fiscal year.
Approved: Repair and certify 6 sites for dry hydrants not to exceed \$3,000.00.
Adjourned: By motion at 7:37 p.m.

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PUZZLE ANSWERS

Wednesday Sudoku, Crossword Puzzle and Jumbles are located in last Wednesday's issue. All other puzzles are throughout this edition.

WEDNESDAY SUDOKU ANSWERS

2	4	1	5	7	6	9	8	3
7	9	8	2	4	3	6	1	5
5	3	6	8	9	1	2	4	7
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1	8	2	7	5	9	4	3	6
9	5	3	1	6	4	8	7	2
8	1	5	4	3	2	7	6	9
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SUNDAY SUDOKU ANSWERS

6	4	1	9	7	3	8	5	2
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Guess Who Answers
WED: Gary Levox
SUN: Jane Krakowski

WEDNESDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles: NOVEL, PURGE, MAINLY, OBJECT

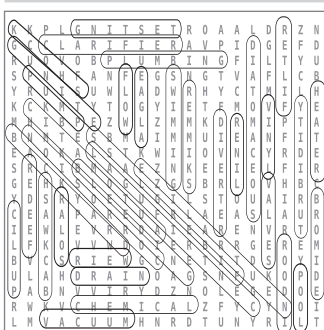
Answer: What the guard called the key to the jail, as he threw it away — **THE CAN OPENER**

SUNDAY JUMBLE ANSWERS

Jumbles: STUNT, SCOUR, EMBLEM, WAITER

Answer: They rented an apartment on that particular road because they were — **STREET SMART**

SUNDAY WORDSEARCH ANSWERS



WEDNESDAY CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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SUNDAY CROSSWORD ANSWERS

H	E	M	E	S	H	A	K	E	E	V	E	R
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PUBLIC NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON
BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS
JULY 10, 2017

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday July 10, 2017 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 amended.
4. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of \$559,481.60.
5. After conducted a public hearing on same, adopted Resolution No. 2017-16, confirming a 5-year special assessment roll for the Lake Christi Improvement Special Assessment District.
6. Accepted the proposal of Beckett & Raeder, Inc. to develop updates to the Fenton Township Master Plan and Thompson Road Corridor Plan.
7. Accepted the proposal of Ed Constable/Tremaine Real Estate to provide real estate broker services for the marketing and sale of properties owned by Fenton Township.
8. Adopted Resolution No. 2017-17, authorizing the Township Clerk to submit a grant application to the State of Michigan to obtain funding for new election equipment.
9. Adopted Resolution No. 2017-18, setting the date for a public hearing on the creation of a special assessment district to pay for street improvements in the Liberty Shores condominium subdivision.
10. Adopted amendments to the 2017 Fenton Township Budget.
11. Approved a Genesee County Road Commission cost proposal for the resurfacing of Butcher Road.
12. Adjourned at 9:30 p.m.


A complete copy of the minutes of this meeting and any ordinances adopted at the meeting are on file and available for review at the Fenton Township Office, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan 48430. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Friday. Ordinances, meeting schedules, meeting minutes and other Township information are also available at www.fentontownship.org.

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SUNDAY SUDOKU

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Level: Advanced

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

Answer key located in this edition

SUNDAY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Type of ion

5. ___ N' Bake

10. At all times

14. ___ Triad: fictional cult

15. Spiked revolving disk

16. Swiss river

17. Bleat

18. Finnish lake

19. Spanish cubist Juan

20. Consumer

22. No seats available

23. Arrive

24. Upstate NY city

27. Team's best pitcher

30. Follows sigma

31. Consume

32. Congressman

35. Spider's territory

37. Conclusion

38. Female parent

39. Instruments

40. ___-bo: exercise

41. Jewish spiritual leader

42. Oil cartel

43. In support of

44. More creepy

45. Color of blood

46. '___ death do us part

47. Radio finder (abbr.)

48. Promotions

49. Songs

52. Tony winner Daisy

55. Not just "play"

56. Affected with rabies

60. Formal group of like-minded people

61. Hold valuables

63. Male admirer

64. Actress Lucy

65. Prevents the fermentation of

66. Furniture

67. Long, winding ridge

68. Cover with drops

69. Major European river

CLUES DOWN

1. Greek goddess of youth

2. Early kingdom in Syria

3. Fortifying ditch

4. Walk into

5. Island state ___ Lanka

6. Japan's most populous island

7. Mindful of

8. Fuel

9. NY Giants' Manning

10. Very willing

11. Linear unit

12. Guitarist Clapton

13. Semitic letter

21. Habitual repetitions

23. Soak

25. Taxi

26. Small amount

27. A theatrical performer

28. 2-door car

29. ___ and flowed

32. Arabic female name

33. Implant within

34. Groups of two

36. College athletic conference

37. Body part

38. Disfigure

40. Accept

41. Allude to

43. Type of tree

44. Doctor of Education

46. Pearl Jam's first album

47. Flower cluster

49. Heavy cavalry sword

50. Arabian Peninsula desert

51. Marten

52. Type of sound

53. Expression of grief

54. Liberian tribal people

57. Wizards' shooting guard

58. Metrical foot

59. Mislead knowingly

61. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)

62. Midway between south and southwest

Answer key located in this edition

A dollar spent locally
circulates 14 more times
in the community!



Spend it here. Keep it here.
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SUNDAY JUMBLE

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

SUNTT

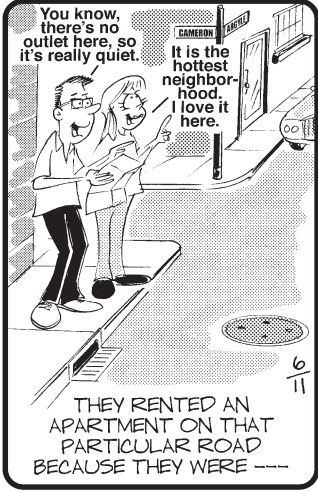
RUCOS

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AIRTEW

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

A:

Answer key located in this edition

Obituaries

Times

Donna M. Harris

Donna M. Harris - age 87, died July 12, 2017. www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



Rose Kaminski

Rose Kaminski - age 70, died July 10, 2017. www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



Alexis Snediker

Alexis Snediker - age 68, died July 7, 2017. Services provided by Sharp Funeral Homes. www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Andre Reitano

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Dennis Schaefer

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Doris Beck

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Frederick Coultas

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Roy Asher

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Sue Marshbanks

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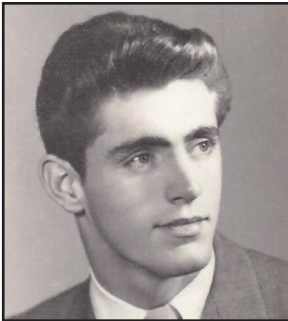
Carol Everson

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Dennis Mageli

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Anthony John Manfre

1930-2017
Anthony John Manfre - age 87, of Fenton, died Thursday, July 13, 2017. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 AM Monday, July 17, 2017 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton. Fr. David Harvey celebrant. Burial will be held at 11:30 AM Monday, July 17, 2017 at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Visitation will be held at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton Sunday, July 16, 2017 from 2-8 PM where a vigil service will be held at 7 PM and at church Monday from 9:30 AM until the time of the Mass. Anthony was born May 7, 1930 in Detroit, the son of Leonardo and Agnes (Adamo) Manfre. He was a graduate of Holy Redeemer Catholic High School in Detroit. He was a veteran of the Korean War serving in the U.S. Marine Corp. He married Ruth Barnett April 25, 1964 in Redford. Anthony had resided in Fenton since 1988 coming from Redford. He was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Fenton. He was also a life member of the Fenton V.F.W. Curtis Wolverton Post #3243. He enjoyed bowling, and playing cards and scrabble. Surviving are: his wife of 53 years, Ruth; daughter, Debra (Joseph) Ziemba of Minnesota; sons, Jesse Dockery of Detroit and Anthony Manfre II of Fenton; grandchildren, Beth Ann (Jim) Lindborg of Minnesota and Joseph (Ames) Ziemba of Minnesota; great-grandchildren, Katie, Joey, and Nancy; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Leonardo and Agnes Manfre; daughter, Linda May Webber; sisters, Virginia Manfre and Emily Rhode; and brothers, Joseph and Gaspare Manfre. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page at sharpfuneralhomes.com.

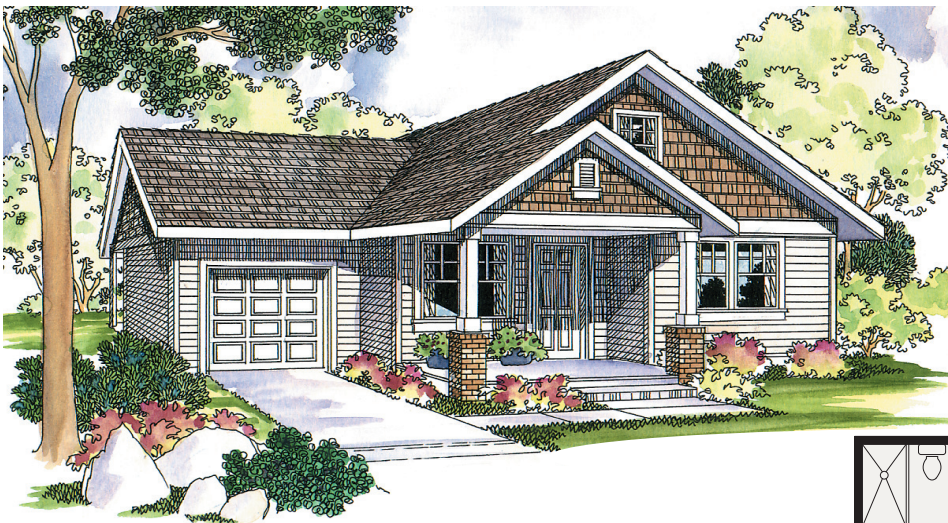


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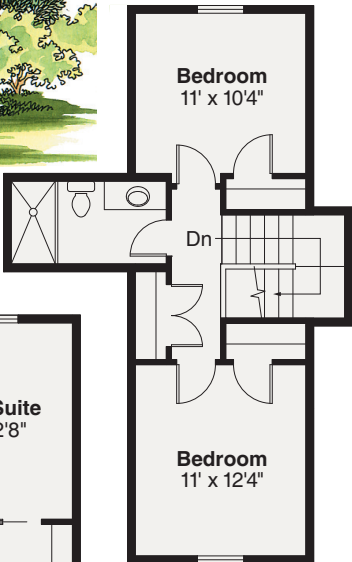
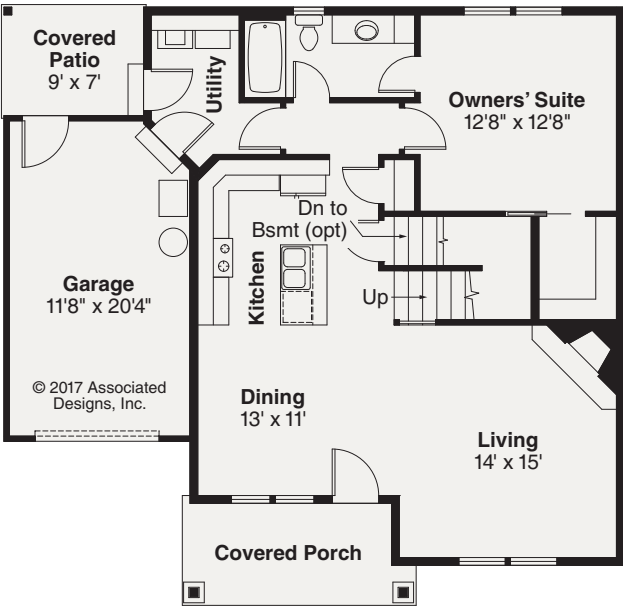
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Danville

PLAN 30-284

Except for the attached garage, the two-story Danville puts the viewer in mind of many modestly sized homes built in the '20s and '30s. Small panes of glass fill the upper sashes of the double-hung windows, and the porch is framed by sturdy wooden columns atop masonry bases. But once inside, it's clear that this is a contemporary plan. Living room, dining room and kitchen flow together, creating one large room rather than the three small ones typical of older homes.



Danville	
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- ½ teaspoon baking soda
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon maple syrup
- 1 cup Silk Protein Nutmilk + two teaspoons lemon juice or apple cider vinegar
- ¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon (optional)
- ½ cup chopped strawberries

INSTRUCTIONS

Mix the Silk Protein Nutmilk and the lemon juice or ACV together in a small bowl/measuring cup. Set aside - this will make the vegan buttermilk. In a large bowl, whisk the gluten free flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt and cinnamon. Add the flax egg, maple syrup and the vegan buttermilk mixture and whisk until just combined and smooth. Fold in the strawberries. The batter will thicken slightly while you wait for the griddle pan to heat up. Heat a griddle pan or a cast iron skillet over medium heat and brush with coconut oil or vegan butter. Pour about ¼ cup of batter into the pan/skillet for one pancake. Wait until some bubbles start to form on top. Allow to cook for 2-4 more minutes and then flip the pancakes over. Cook for about 2-4 more minutes until batter is cooked through. Serve pancakes hot and drizzle with maple syrup on top and your favorite toppings.

Want healthier kids? Get a pet

If youngsters have been eyeing fuzzy kittens or boisterous puppies at nearby shelters or pet stores, parents may want to give in to those cries for a family pet. Pets are added responsibilities, but the health benefits associated with pet ownership may be well worth the investment of time and effort.

Caring for a pet is sometimes viewed as a childhood rite of passage, but there's much more to the experience than just learning responsibility. Experts say a child's emotional, cognitive, physical, and social development can be enhanced through interaction with a family pet. Studies continue, but the effects of family pets on children was heavily researched by developmental psychologist Gail F. Melson in 2003. Melson looked at literature on child-animal relationships and found that children who had pets were better able to understand biology and children who could turn to pets for unconditional emotional support were less anxious and withdrawn than their peers without family pets to turn to.

Data from a small study conducted by researchers at the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University reported that adolescents who had animal experience were more likely to see themselves as important contributors to communities and more likely to take on leadership roles.

Pets also can help children develop into well-rounded individuals. Playing with a pet requires children to engage in physical activity and can help stimulate motor skills. An English study conducted in 2010 and published in the American Journal of Public Health found that children from dog-owning families spent more time in light or moderate to vigorous physical activity and recorded higher levels of activity counts per minute than kids whose families did not own a dog.

Pets may help with allergies and respiratory ailments as well. A 2012 study by the

American Academy of Pediatrics discovered that children who have early contact with cats and dogs have fewer respiratory infections and ear infections and need shorter courses of antibiotics than children who have not had contact with pets.


A study from Dennis Ownby, MD, a pediatrician and head of the allergy and immunology department of the Medical College of Georgia, found that having multiple pets decreases a child's risk of developing certain allergies. He found that the children who were exposed to two or more dogs or cats as babies were less than half as likely to develop common allergies as kids who had no pets in the home.

Pets also may foster social interactions, which can benefit children who are shy. Inviting others over to meet pets can help children make friends and find others with similar interests. Children may also confide in pets and develop their self-esteem.

Studies have indicated that the type of pet a family has, whether it's horses, dogs, snakes, etc., does not matter, as all companion animals have the potential to benefit children.



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CAR DOGS

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R, 1 hr. 44 min. *Comedy, Drama*

Guess Who?

I am an actress born on October 11, 1968 in New Jersey. I attended Mason Gross School of the Arts at Rutgers University. Prior to my success on "30 Rock," I had a memorable role on "Ally McBeal."

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

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