

Could cost big bucks to put the ‘R’ back in Leroy Street

■ No one seems to know how or when it disappeared

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It's in the books about Fenton history, and it's on their graves, serving as proof that the "R" in the last names of Robert LeRoy and Judge Daniel LeRoy should be capitalized.

Robert is one of Fenton's founding fathers and Daniel, Robert's father, was a judge and the first attorney general for the state of Michigan. The everlasting resting place for father and son are in Fenton's Oakwood Cemetery.

Somewhere along the way, many years ago, the "R" in LeRoy got lower-cased, and all the street signs in town now read either South or North Leroy Street.

"It's been this way forever," said Donna Seger, who with her husband, Ken, were long-time curators of the A.J. Phillips Fenton Museum and has served as long-time president of the Fenton Historical Society.

"There was no particular reason, it just happened that way," she said.

See **LEROY** on 14A



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While the street's namesake Robert LeRoy wrote his name with a capital "R," official documents and street signs are written with a lowercase "r." Changing everything to the proper capitalization is no small matter.

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Many break local laws without knowing it

■ Most violations are resolved without an official notice

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As is the case in most communities, the city of Fenton has a set of rules, or Code of Ordinances, and if you violate any of them,

you are technically breaking the law. Fortunately, city personnel will work with people in most cases because they may not be aware that they are doing anything wrong.

According to the city of Fenton attorney,

Stephen Schultz, "The vast majority of ordinance violations are resolved without any actual violation notice being issued to a person or property owner."

See **BREAK LOCAL LAWS** on 10A



McTuesday!

■ Owner: McDonald's to open for business Tuesday morning

By Vera Hogan
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For diehard McDonald's fans, the demolition and reconstruction of the new restaurant on Owen Road may seem like it took forever. In reality, however, it took just about three months and the brand new, larger facility is set to open for business on Tuesday, Dec. 5.

The demolition/reconstruction project began in August.

The new McDonald's is 5,218 square feet in size and has a dual-order drive-through window. Parking has also been improved.

See **MCDONALD'S** on 18A

Is there new life for Kmart building?

■ Vacant property expected to have a new tenant, based on desirable location

By Sally Rummel
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When you drive by the giant, empty storefront that used to house Kmart on Silver Parkway in Fenton you might be tempted to sigh in despair.

After all, it has been almost a

year since Kmart closed its doors on Dec. 11, 2016, and there has been no word since then of any retailers stepping up to take its place.

The now-empty 129,172-square-foot building is a daily reminder of the huge changes in shopping trends that helped cause this early national discounter's demise as a retail giant. Competition from Walmart, Target and Meijer and

See **KMART** on 18A

“It's just a matter of time, the way things are going around here.”

Mike Reilly
Fenton City zoning and building administrator

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Technicians with Metro Signs & Lighting install the updated sign in front of the new McDonald's on Owen Road on Thursday, Nov. 30. If all goes according to plan, owner Mark Pfau hopes to open on Tuesday, Dec. 5.



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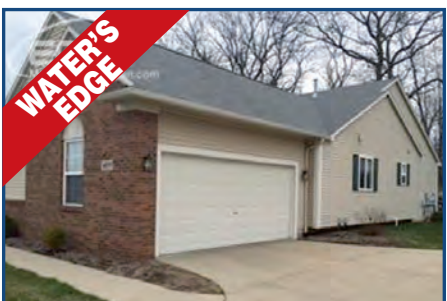
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Maury and Charlotte Constantini did not build this spectacular lighting display alone — they had help from their grandchildren. (From left) Ryan Stocker, 12, of Fenton, Kevin Stevens, 16, of Linden and Julia Stocker, 16, of Fenton were among the family and grandchildren who helped.

Thousands of lights make Christmastime bright

■ Tri-county area homeowners not lacking in Christmas spirit

By Tim Jagielo

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Fenton Twp. — It looks as if Christmas “exploded” all over the lawn and home of Charlotte and Maury Constantini.

It's the house you can't miss on North Long Lake Road. There are three Santas, approximately 50 tiny lawn lights, 10 inflatables and nearly 15 various standing decorations. At least three figures play a holiday song, and move on their own.

While the weather has been dreary and gray, holiday lights brighten the tri-county area before the snow falls. The Constantinis are just one example of a family that surrenders every bit of free space to the Christmas season.

The inside of their house is equally adorned.

See **CHRISTMASTIME** on 15A

“It helps brighten up the neighborhood here.”

Rob Gerczewski
Fenton Township resident



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Outdoor decorations at Rob Gerczewski's Fenton Township home are tastefully packed with bright and lighted details.

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CHRISTMAS LIGHTS FACTS

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS THROUGHOUT HISTORY

- 1** **1600s** — Candles were the original Christmas lights.
- 2** **1800** — Thomas Edison creates and hangs the first Christmas light string.
- 3** **1882** — Edward H. Johnson lights up the first Christmas tree with lights as big as walnuts.
- 4** **1903** — GE began to sell pre-assembled light kits.
- 5** **1917** — Christmas lights become commercialized and mass-produced thanks to NOMA Electric co.
- 6** **1923** — A national Christmas tree with 3,000 lights is lit for the first time.
- 7** **1933** — The famous New York Rockefeller Center Christmas tree is lit for the first time, with 30,000 lights, or five miles of lights.
- 8** **1968** — LED lights were very expensive, at \$200 per unit. Today they are an efficient, affordable option.
- 9** **2007** — The New York Rockefeller Center Tree is switched to all LED lights.
- 10** **2013** — The U.S. spends about \$6 billion annually on lights.

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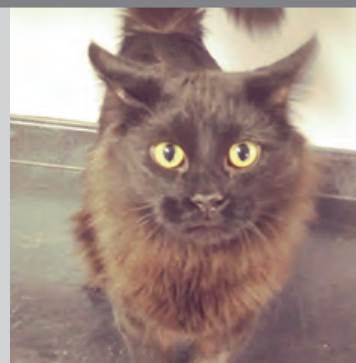
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Come *Heller* high water...

• **Matt Lauer?** Garrison Keillor? Jeez, who's next — Tom Hanks? Tom Brokaw? Bernie Sanders? Homer Simpson? Mr. Rogers? Prince Harry? Bill Nye the Science Guy? Captain Kangaroo? Santa Claus? I mean, come on, aren't we at the point where it would be more efficient to just have the celebrities who *haven't* sexually harassed a woman step forward? I've said it many times before but I don't get what women see in my gender. I really don't.

• **Here's an idea:** How about we try trickle up economics for a change instead of trickle down? In trickle up economics, Congress gives regular Americans earning less than 100K a real tax cut and we spend

it if we feel like it, thereby benefiting business owners. That's a heckuva lot more likely to happen than rich people creating jobs just because they get a huge tax break. That's fairy tale stuff there.

• **Huh, whaddya know,** Seinfeld was right about the second button making or breaking the shirt. I have a new shirt where the second button is a skosh too high, so even if the top button is unbuttoned I feel like I'm being strangled. But if I unbutton the second button, I'm flashing chest hair like a '70s rock star.

• **You know it** was a cold November when a 40-degree day seems balmy. I can't remember a cloudier, gloomier, colder November in my lifetime. I think I say that every year though.

• **I was never a fan** anyway, but Black Friday has lost all meaning. Now the sales are all in the vicinity of Black Friday. Soon they'll just be plain old "sales," which usually aren't sales in the first place. A sale usually means no one wants the stuff or it was too pricey to begin with.

• **OK, open question** for you football experts. Why is it a touchdown the second a football "breaks the plane"

of the goal line without the ball ever touching the ground but it's not when a receiver catches the ball in the end zone then loses control after he lands? That makes no sense.

• **Empty big box** stores are a growing problem in metro Detroit and a lot of other cities in Michigan. There's an easy fix, though. Give the owners a year to sell it or pay for demolition and lose the land. Easy-peasy.

• **The University of Michigan** and Michigan State University are tying themselves in a knot over whether to let a white supremacist speak on campus. Why? Just let the nitwit speak. That's how people learn what nitwits sound like.

• **Dang it, the Detroit Pistons** are finally good after a decade of being bad but I can't seem to generate any interest in them or the NBA, and I'm not sure why. Is it just me or are others feeling the same way?

• **Does anyone else** think it's a shame for cities to chop down these huge, vibrant trees for the town square, the state capital and the White House?

• **Has the expression** "jumped the shark" jumped the shark?

• **"People do not** seem to realize that their opinion of the world is also a confession of character." — Ralph Waldo Emerson

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IF YOU CHANGE the way you look at things, the things you look at will change also.

IT'S BEGINNING TO look a lot like Christmas. Love seeing all the decorated houses as we drive around town at night.

EVEN THOUGH SOME of the men accused of sexual harassment are less than attractive, how superficial of you to suggest no one would complain if it were George Clooney. Give me a break.

APPRECIATIVE OF THE thankful column this week, Andrew Heller. I enjoy your perspectives.

YOU WILL BE stalked at the Loose Center by the employees if you take more than two doughnuts and a couple of magazines. Maybe these people need more to do on their to-do list.

A FEW WORDS about Linden's new parking ordinance — intrusive, unnecessary, petty. A couple of control freak council people (with huge driveways) talked the rest into this. Shame on you.

WOW, THE FENTON/Linden area has a bunch of great local authors. W.C. Hoffman, Boyd Craven, Sara Mack and Ashley Jeffers are a few of my favorites.

THANK YOU SO much to Branching Out Tree Farm. They donated a beautiful Christmas tree for my family I adopted. Their first real tree, thanks to you. Businesses like yours make Fenton great.

ALL THIS RUCKUS over the city keeping inconsiderate people from parking on their lawns just to save a few steps. There are things called driveways to park on. Who wants to live next door to a house where the lawn full of cars? Not me. The exercise will do you good.

TRUMP IS NOT demanding that we say Merry Christmas. He is telling people they don't have to be politically correct any more and can say Merry Christmas. You must be an atheist. Good luck in your future.

TO THE PERSON worrying about the \$1.4 trillion. Were you worried when Obama took it to where it is now over eight years? If not, it means you are a liberal. The Republicans can back it because with it is a plan of how to pay it back down. Wise up.

REAGAN NEVER SIGNED NAFTA. NAFTA supporter, Bush 41, couldn't get the votes to pass NAFTA. This is why an unknown Democrat, CFR member, Bill Clinton, was allowed to win the 1992 election in order to pass NAFTA.

CALLING CONSERVATIVES FASCIST, racist, and more, college students riot to deny conservatives their right to 'freedom of speech.' They never protest their pro-communist teachers and speakers. Are these students not aware that communists have killed an estimated 100 million of their own people?

HE DRAINED THE swamp so he could get to the bottom feeders.

THE KING IS right again. I would like to add one more thing. They should reinstate the draft. This would get these kids to wake up to see what patriotism really is all about. Teach them honor and respect for our country. Too many low-lives in the NFL don't understand what they really have. They sacrifice nothing.

I'M A VETERAN and an American. I am still enjoying the NFL games. I do not wish to force my unconstitutional beliefs on anyone. If you are upset, that is your constitutional right. But don't try to change the constitution because of your beliefs.

TO THE HOGAN Road bridge complainers — last I heard, this bridge is on schedule for replacement by Genesee County, just like the Cole Road bridge was old and recently replaced. Be patient and drive slow.

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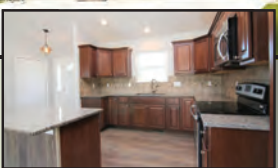
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The rooftop heater unit atop Community Threads thrift shop in Fenton next to Powerhouse Gym caught fire at approximately 2:58 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 29.

Community Threads closes for fire cleanup

■Thousands of items damaged at new Fenton thrift shop

By Tim Jagielo

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Fenton — Between 2 and 3 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 29, a fire ignited from inside one of the rooftop heater units above Community Threads at the plaza on North LeRoy Street, housing VG's and Powerhouse Gym.

A delivery truck driver noticed smoke and called 911 at 2:58 a.m. While the buildings are still intact, Community Threads sustained significant damage and will be closed until further notice. The new community-focused thrift shop opened on Nov. 3.

The Fenton Fire Department was assisted by the Fenton Township Fire Department. A large hole was opened in the roof to stop the heater fire. Water to extinguish flames damaged walls, baseboards and clothing on pallets.

Owner Allen Rykman will likely lose thousands of pieces of clothing due to

smoke and water damage. It's possible that much of the clothing stock numbering 70,000 pieces cannot be sold because of smoke odor.

Restoration Company Purve Construction arrived after 9 a.m. to begin removing soggy drop ceiling tiles. When power is restored, Rykman said they will determine how much of the clothing is ruined.

Still, he's grateful it was not worse, and that the truck driver was there to call 911. "A big thanks to him for catching that," said Rykman. "It saved a lot of damage in the plaza because it's dead here at that time."

He also thanked the firefighters for getting the issue under control quickly. "All in all we're very thankful. It could have been a lot worse than it was," he said.

Although weary, and unsure how long they'll be closed, Rykman is staying positive. "We'll be open soon, we'll be fine," he said.

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Two Lake Fenton School students, Bryce Jagielski and Cullen Breece, were among nine cadets from the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) program at GCI that were promoted from cadets to corporal. Jagielski is pictured here with his mother, Lori Martin and stepfather, Tim Martin. Breece is pictured with his parents, Randall and Gayle Breece.

From cadet to corporal

■Local high school students get a taste of military service through new JROTC program

By Sally Rummel

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Bryce Jagielski is just 18 years old but he already knows exactly what he wants to do with his life.

This Lake Fenton High School senior, along with fellow senior Cullen Breece, was recently promoted from cadet to corporal through the new JROTC program at the Genesee Career Institute (GCI), which debuted in September.

Nine cadets in all, including Jagielski and Breece, were promoted during a ceremony at the Nov. 14 meeting of the GCI school board.

JROTC stands for Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps, and is designed to teach high school students the importance of citizenship and service, and instill in them a sense of personal responsibility and accomplishment.

This is a brand new program at GCI, open to all high school students since September. A total of 100 cadets are currently enrolled, including 12 from Lake Fenton High School, eight from Fenton High School and four from Linden High School.

"We draw from all the schools in Genesee County, not just a single high school, the way most JROTC programs operate," said Lt. Cpl. Curt Lapham, commanding officer of the program along with 1st Sgt. Steven La Haine.

Both are retired from the U.S. Army and came to Genesee County to start the program. "We take freshmen and sophomores as well as juniors and seniors, and students can sign up anytime," said Lapham.

Each cadet spends about two hours a day away from their home high school to attend JROTC at GCI, plus other after-school volunteer activities. This

JROTC program follows the ranking of subordinate units in the military, so as a group, the cadets are part of the Black Night Battalion at GCI.

Each battalion has three companies, comprised of two platoons, made up of four squadrons. "Each of these units is led by one of the cadets," Lapham said.

The JROTC program is linked to the Army, Air Force, Navy or Marines, but Lapham said, "I represent the cadets, not the armed forces. We're always happy to meet with parents to offer a military perspective from all branches of service."

"This program has the ability to pay for all four years of college, and then that student would become a military officer," Lapham said. "I can also appoint a student to one of the military academies, five per branch from my program."

There are also a number of teams that cadets can participate in beyond the

school day, including the precision drill team, equestrian skills and rifle team. "Eighty-five percent of our students will go to college or enlist in the military," Lapham said. "Half of the college-bound cadets will be military officers in all branches, attending schools that offer ROTC programs. Many college scholarships are available to JROTC cadets. Every cadet who goes to college with an ROTC program will get credit for one year of college military ROTC."

This program has impacted Jagielski so much that he enlisted in the U.S. Navy on Nov. 30, with the goal of becoming a physician assistant during his military career, following graduation from Lake Fenton High School in 2018.

"It has helped me be more responsible and has affected my home life, too," Jagielski said. "I'm actually more responsible and respectful. I'd suggest it for anyone who wants to advance themselves or go into the military."

“I’d suggest it for anyone who wants to advance themselves or go into the military.”

Bryce Jagielski
Lake Fenton High School senior

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Net neutrality issue affects all internet users

■ Should internet service providers be able to slow down or speed up the internet based on content?

By Hannah Ball

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Headlines are currently circulating about how the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is going to take away the open internet, also known as "net neutrality."

Fred Moses, chief technology officer for the Tri-County Times, said internet users would not see much of a difference if the FCC decides to legally do away with net neutrality. With net neutrality, internet service providers (ISPs) cannot slow down or speed up the internet based on content.

On Tuesday, Nov. 22, Ajit Pai, who now heads the FCC, released his plans to reverse the classification of broadband internet service under Title II, which became law in 2015. The commission will vote Dec. 14 on this issue.

Under Title II of the Communications Act of 1934, broadband internet service is considered "common carrier," which also covers utilities like electricity, and are required to treat all data delivered to customers equally.



People fear that warnings like this will appear without net neutrality, however, one tech expert says these warning screens are due to overcrowding.

Concerns with doing away with net neutrality include ISPs slowing down certain content providers in favor of content providers they own. For example, AT&T could have the power to slow down Netflix, but speed up DirecTV because they own it. Users would be more likely to watch the content with the faster connection.

Moses said it's in AT&T's best interest if consumers choose DirecTV over Netflix, but the reason DirecTV may be faster is that the content is already on AT&T's network.

"Their consumers are still using their ISPs," he said. "They're not going to slow anything else down. It's not in their business to slow it down."

“Netflix is not going to be treated any different than other providers. If you’re pushing more, you should expect to pay more.”

Fred Moses
Tri-County Times chief
technology officer

WHY DO SOME SITES SEEM SLOW?

Moses explained that if a website seems slow, that's because the exchange point between the ISP and content provider is overloaded. This is also called "peering." Peering has always been mutual, meaning both parties pay 50/50 for the exchange point.

With popular content providers, like Netflix, that take up a lot of bandwidth, the exchange points can get overloaded and the peering needs to be upgraded. With net neutrality, they don't have to upgrade those points.

"By making it Title II like they have done, they don't have to upgrade peering if they don't want to," Moses said.

With more new applications of videos, more higher speed networks are required to deliver them to consumers. ISPs will overbuy data and sell cheap. Moses said ISPs might pay \$10 per megabyte, but then sell them for 50 cents each, and the difference has to be accounted for somewhere.

Moses said consumers would not want to pay the difference because it would be very expensive. With the current laws, the ISPs pay that difference because they're required to treat all content providers the same.

"If you've got a single application taking up the whole network where no other data could go through, you would stop the thing that's making it slow until you can increase your network," he said. "Netflix is not going to be treated any different than other providers. If you're pushing more, you should expect to pay more."

It's better for the market to decide, Moses said, and less government regulation is a good thing.

WILL DROPPING NET NEUTRALITY HURT SMALL BUSINESSES?

Net neutrality hasn't leveled the playing field, Moses said.

"Title II won't level anything, it will stifle the growth of the internet," he said.

He added that dropping the Title II classification will help small businesses because they don't always have the resources to pay for the necessary data.

"Being Title II makes it hard for small, independent providers to actually work and build infrastructure," he said. "There's no incentive."

Police&Fire report

HOLLY WOMAN'S PURSE STOLEN FROM CAR

The Holly Police Department is investigating a larceny from auto complaint, filed by a Holly woman. On Monday, Nov. 27, at 8:50 p.m. a police officer responded to a business in the 3400 block of Grange Hall Road. There, the woman told police that she had just parked her 2016 Dodge Caravan and walked inside the business for 10 minutes. She noticed the interior dome light on and attempted to lock her doors with her key fob. The dome light didn't turn off so she walked outside to check on her van. She saw an unknown man, wearing a gray jacket, inside her van. She shouted for him to get out, at which time he fled with her purse. Police checked the area unsuccessfully. Her purse contained credit cards, cash and other personal belongings.

MINOR CAR CRASH IN HOLLY

Holly police responded to a car crash on North Holly Road, just north of Grange Hall Road on Nov. 29, at 8:10 a.m. A 33-year-old Holly woman, driving a 2014 Chevrolet Malibu, was traveling northbound on North Holly Road. A 20-year-old Holly man, driving a 2014 Chevrolet Cruz, attempted to pull out of a business parking lot to travel southbound on North Holly Road when his car struck the woman's car. Neither driver was injured, however, the woman's Malibu had to be towed from the scene.

HIT AND RUN IN HOLLY

At 4:15 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 21, Holly police responded to a hit and run crash on Grange Hall Road, just east of North Holly Road. A Holly woman told police that she was traveling westbound in the outside lane when a car pulled out from a business parking lot and attempted to pull into the left-turn lane. The car struck the back corner of the Holly woman's car and kept going. The woman provided the license plate number to police and police located the responsible car. A 17-year-old Holly female arrived at the police station and told police she did not realize she had struck the other woman's car, which sustained minor damage.

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Sears and Sears Hometown Stores...

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

- Hometown stores are a totally different company than Sears mall stores; owners say 'we're here to stay'

By Sally Rummel

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Long-time retailer Sears has been in the news lately, and it has caused some confusion for customers in the tri-county area.

Many people don't realize that Sears Hometown Stores are totally separate from large department-type Sears stores in malls that are owned by Sears Holdings Corporation, said Jeff Stone, co-owner of Sears Hometown Store in Fenton.

One way to understand the difference is to remember that Sears Hometown Stores are best known for their hard product lines like appliances, lawn and garden equipment and tools. Sears corporate stores in malls are best known for clothing and apparel and other soft product lines.

"We just license our name from Sears; we have been a separate company from them since 2012," Stone said. "But when there's news in the media about Sears, people automatically assume that it includes Sears Hometown Stores and it doesn't."

The latest big news is that corporate Sears stores will no longer be selling Whirlpool-branded products, which also include Maytag and KitchenAid.

But Sears Hometown Stores have their own independent contract with Whirlpool, and will be selling all their products and related brands.

"The Whirlpool brand is here to stay," Stone said. "We still have the top 10 appliance brands at Sears Hometown Stores, including Whirlpool and Kenmore. No other store can claim that."

Customers can still use the Sears.com website for online purchases but to keep it more local, you can go directly to Searshometownstores.com. "We can even deliver to your home," Stone said.

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Sears Hometown Store in Fenton, owned by brothers Jeff Stone (left) and Tim Stone, both of Fenton Township, is totally separate from Sears mall stores and Sears.com, and is the only store that carries all top 10 appliance brands.

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BREAK LOCAL LAWS

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Schultz said his firm does not see those nor are they referred to them.

"This is part of the city's practice of working with folks to gain their compliance rather than get into court-based proceedings," he said. "On rare occasions, we are asked to send a letter to a person asking them to comply with a city ordinance. On even rarer occasions, we are actually involved in enforcement actions."

Schultz said in his 16 years representing the city of Fenton he has been in court on an ordinance violation on fewer than 10 occasions.

The following are some of the more unique city ordinances people may not be aware of:

Can't kill squirrels or wild birds (Sec. 5-1.)

It is unlawful for any person to pursue, injure, capture, kill or destroy or attempt to injure, capture, kill or destroy any squirrel or wild bird within the city, except where hunting is permitted. It also is unlawful for any person to rob, tear down, injure or destroy the nest of any wild bird within the city. This does not apply to English sparrows, starlings or their nests. (Not sure why the latter two birds are exempt, but we probably don't want to know.)

Don't mess with the ice (Sec. 5.55-2.)

Ice-retardant systems, which are mechanical devices designed to retard or prevent the formation of ice in or around lake front structures, are prohibited on any public lake in the city of Fenton. In layman's terms that means no dock

bubblers for you. So get your boat out before it gets too cold and you'll stay out of trouble.

Rentals must be inspected every three years (Sec. 6-18.)

You can't rent out your home or any residence you own to tenants until the dwelling has been inspected and deemed compliant with the Michigan Building Code, by the building code official of the city or his duly authorized designee, within three years and upon change in occupancy and is listed on the certificate of compliance registry.

Forget that cemetery (Sec. 8-3.; 8-5.)

You can't build your own cemetery anywhere in the city of Fenton. In the public cemetery (which would be Oakwood) there shall be no interment of anything other than the remains of human bodies. So it's OK probably to bury that hamster in a shoebox in the backyard.

Can't leave your junk out in the open (Sec. 19-2.)

Junk, defined as machinery, vehicles or boats, used stoves or other appliances, plumbing fixtures, and furniture cannot be stored in the open. So get that old refrigerator off the front porch.

Lots of laws for the yard – don't be tacky! (Sec. 19-2.)

Leaves placed in piles remaining longer than 10 days are a violation of city ordinance. All leaves must be disposed of in a proper manner, which does not mean sweeping into the street allowing them to get in the storm drains. Front yards are not to be used for parking or storage except

as permitted by a zoning ordinance. Vehicles parked on other than a hard surface for a period greater than 72 hours will be considered a nuisance.

Oh rats! (Sec. 19-2.)

You must prohibit any condition which provides harboring for rats, mice, snakes, and other vermin. See Sec. 5-1., it doesn't say anything about *not* killing them.

Permits

This is not in the Code of Ordinances, but many city of Fenton residents don't realize that permits are required for just about everything. New roof — permit. Building a new deck — permit. New shed — permit (this will go on the tax roll, too). Swimming pool — permit. New windows — permit. In-home business — permit. Carry your bride over the threshold — permit. Well not that last one, but it would be wise to check with the city on permit requirements before you start any home improvement project, or any other project for that matter.

ACCORDING TO THE BUILDING ADMINISTRATOR

On a more serious note, there are some ordinances that city of Fenton residents must adhere to at all times, but often forget. According to Building and Zoning Administrator Mike Reilly, they include:

Parking on the lawn (Sec. 19.02)

No parking is allowed in yards on a regular basis, on lawns or other unpaved areas on resident lots. The rationale for this is that doing so results in the vehicle tires pulling the soils, gravels, and more into the street where it plugs the storm drains, resulting in flooding.

House maintenance (Sec. 304.2)

Houses require protective treatment, meaning exterior surfaces need to be painted or covered with other protective treatment to prevent decay.

Premises identification (Sec. 304.3)

All homes must have legible and visible address numbers on the street side of the structure. This is necessary in order to allow emergency services to locate a building and for the preservation of property values.

Junk, trash in yard (Sec. 308)

All exterior property and the interior of every structure must be free from the accumulation of rubbish or garbage. This deters rodent infestation.

LOOKING BACK

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NATIONAL HISTORY

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DEC. 3

2004: An explosion at a Union Carbide pesticide plant in Bhopal, India leads to the worst industrial accident in history. At least 2,000 people died and another 200,000 were injured when toxic gas enveloped the city.

DEC. 4

2009: American exchange student Amanda Knox, 22, is convicted of murdering her British roommate, Meredith Kercher, in 2007 in Perugia, Italy. Knox received a 26-year prison sentence, while her 25-year-old Italian ex-boyfriend, Raffaele Sollecito, who also was convicted in the slaying, was sentenced to 25 years behind bars. The sensational, high-profile case raised questions in the United States about whether Knox, who always maintained her innocence, received a fair trial. Then, in October 2011, in a decision that made international headlines, an Italian court reversed the murder convictions of both Knox and Sollecito and they were freed from prison.

DEC. 5

1945: At 2:10 p.m., five U.S. Navy Avenger torpedo-bombers comprising Flight 19 take off from the Ft. Lauderdale Naval Air Station in Florida on a routine three-hour training mission. Flight 19 was scheduled to take them due east for 120 miles, north for 73 miles, and then back over a final 120-mile leg that would return them to the naval base. Lost over the Bermuda Triangle, they never returned.

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.

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: John Lennon, a former member of the Beatles, the rock group that transformed popular music in the 1960s, is shot and killed by an obsessed fan in New York City. The 40-year-old artist was entering his luxury Manhattan apartment building when Mark David Chapman shot him four times at close range with a .38-caliber revolver. Lennon, bleeding profusely, was rushed to the hospital but died en route.

DEC. 9

1921: A young engineer at General Motors named Thomas Midgeley, Jr. discovers that when he adds a compound called tetraethyl lead (TEL) to gasoline, he eliminates the unpleasant noises (known as "knock" or "pinging") that internal-combustion engines make when they run. Midgeley could scarcely have imagined the consequences of his discovery: For more than five decades, oil companies would saturate the gasoline they sold with lead — a deadly poison.

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GALE LAKE

9067 LISCOM RD, GOODRICH \$239,999

Fantastic opportunity, this brick ranch home in Goodrich schools offers 2293 Sq Ft, 3 bedrooms and 2 full bathrooms. 124 Ft of frontage on Gale Lake, 1.33 acres, pole barn, private setting and more. Great natural light, family room, living room, formal dining room and spacious kitchen with granite counter tops, lots of cabinet and counter space. Master suite offers private bath with jetted tub, walk in shower and more. Full basement ready to be finished or perfect for storage. 2 car attached garage, large deck, mature trees, peace and tranquility at its best, great location and more. inside and out, great for entertaining.



LAKE FENTON

14194 DARTS DR, FENTON \$674,999

Beautiful waterfront home w/60 Ft of frontage on all sports Lake Fenton. 2086 Sq Ft, 4 bedrooms and 3.5 bathrooms. Open floor plan, beautiful flooring throughout the main floor. Great kitchen with granite countertops, island, lots of cabinet and counter space. Great room offers stone fireplace & spectacular views of the lake. 1st floor bedroom with private bath, second floor master suite with stunning views of the lake, cathedral ceilings, walk in closet, private bath with inviting tub, walk in shower and so much more. This is a "must-see" home!



NEW!

6170 LONE OAK, GRAND BLANC \$199,999

Beautiful condo in Woodfield Greens development, 1816 Sq Ft, 3 bedrooms and 2.5 baths. Open floor plan offers soaring ceilings, natural light and gorgeous views of the pond. Spacious kitchen with dining area, snack bar, wood floors, pantry, lots of cabinet and counter space. Cozy great room with fireplace. First floor master suite with private bath, walk in closet. First floor laundry and full basement with daylight windows, ready to be finished.



NEW!

703 CHERRY STREET, LINDEN \$149,999

Adorable ranch home in Linden, 1320 Sq Ft, 3 bedrooms and 2 full bathrooms. Open floor plan with great natural light, large living room and dining area leading to back yard. Spacious kitchen offers tile floors, snack bar, lots of cabinet and counter space. Master bedroom with attached bathroom, 2 additional large bedrooms. 2 car attached garage, storage shed, large deck, private fenced yard and so much more.



9394 SEYMOUR RD, SWARTZ CREEK \$267,899

Updated ranch home boasting 2402 Sq Ft of finished living space, 3 bedrooms and 2 full bathrooms. Open floor plan, cathedral ceilings, hardwood floors, split bedroom floor plan and more. Gorgeous kitchen with panty, tile back splash and lots of cabinet and counter space. Gorgeous sunroom with beautiful views of nature, cozy great room with fireplace and spacious master suite bath. Full, finished basement and large fenced in yard.



9720 BURNING TREE, GRAND BLANC \$399,999

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NEW!

1142 CELINA COURT, CANTON \$229,999

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LEROY**Continued from Front Page**

Seeger said the incorrect spelling was used in the museum a lot in the past. Over the past few years it has been corrected and LeRoy is being spelled with the capital "R."

"We just correct things as we come across them," Seeger said.

When a street name is changed, it costs money to change these names. The least costly is the new signs that would be put up and the removal of the old signs.

The green street name signs cost about \$40 each, and there are 28 intersections that would need to be changed, said Dan Czarnecki, director of Fenton's public works.

"There are also the fancy light-up signs at Caroline and Silver Lake Road that would need to be changed, too," he said. "I'm not sure of that cost, but suspect it would be about \$150 each to have new inserts made."

Czarnecki checked the files in the city vault and researched the deeds.

"If there is an address, show it as 'Leroy St.' or 'LEROY ST.' I checked the ACT 51 street map, which is the official map we use with the state of Michigan to recognize

our street system and which the state uses to fund the street system, and it identifies the street as 'Leroy St.'"

Czarnecki said changing a street name is a simple process to get started, but could be difficult to complete. Someone could petition City Council to change the name and then council members would weigh in on the matter and would make the final decision.

"I would not want to make a street name change without going through a public hearing process so we can gather public input on such a change," Czarnecki said.

"I'm sure our City Council members would want that input as well. For a change on such a prominent street in our community, I would hope the public would want to be involved in such a decision to their community and many people would want to weigh in on the matter. The final decision on street name change would be the responsibility of City Council."

The broader impact of changing a street name is not felt by the government, however. Once a name is changed, the businesses on that street need to change the sign on their buildings, all their stationery

to reflect the new address, websites need to be updated, directories need to be updated, as well as all city maps.

There are more than 200 homes and businesses along LeRoy Street (both south and north). Included are the Fenton Police Department, Fenton City Hall, the U.S. Postal Service and several churches.

There is also a further reaching impact than the borders of the community where the name is being changed. National maps need to be updated and as most know, there is Google Maps with street view, they need to be updated, so this would impact a foreign company, and the GPS maps need to be updated with the new information. Countless apps would need to be updated as well.

Private residences would also be impacted. Homeowners would need to change not only the address on their home or mailbox, all personal and business documents, including household, medical, school, banking and more would need to be updated.

Founding fathers William Fenton and Robert LeRoy likely didn't think of the impact that giving street naming rights to the poker game loser would have on future generations. Maybe it would have been better to just call the main drag through town — Main Street.

Source: news24.com

**HOT LINE** CONTINUED

THE ALL-YOU-can-eat buffets are where people with very little will power go to shorten their life span.

TO THE HOT-LINER that's going to continue to buy cards that say 'Happy Holidays' and 'Season Greetings,' knock yourself out. It doesn't change the fact that Dec. 25 is Christmas. Merry Christmas to you.

A BURLINGTON OR Marshall's? No thank you, that's the last thing Fenton needs. If you want to shop at those stores, they're 15 minutes up the road.

IN RESPONSE TO the person who would love to shop locally — if we had stores like T.J. Maxx, Burlington and Marshall's, I believe you are missing the point.

CONSERVATIVES CALLING LIBERALS sensitive is so funny considering the phrase 'Happy Holidays' makes conservatives blow a gasket.

PEOPLE HAVING A couple of chickens in their backyard is your big issue? Or maybe having a goat for a pet? Why don't you go back to Flint.




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CHRISTMASTIME

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"I love Christmastime, I love it," said Charlotte. "It comes and goes too fast."

The couple sets up the display over the period of a couple days with the help of their grandkids. The display has grown over the decades, after it was initiated when their own children were young.

"We do it because she loves Christmas, and we do it for the grandkids," Maury said.

Their teenage grandkids helped erect the displays or move boxes from the storage unit.

Maury said he isn't sure what all this blinking, whirring Christmas cheer costs each year on their utility bill.

Debra Dodd-McIntyre, Consumers Energy spokesperson, said that using 200 mini-lights for four hours costs \$.06, and 300 icicle lights cost \$.08.

Charlotte and Maury run their decorations on timers from 5 to 11 p.m.

Rob Gerczewski is another Fenton Township resident who has an impressive display. You can spot his home at Owen and Linden roads. Until he converted to the LED lights, it did cause a spike in his utility bill.

Many homes on his street also are draped



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

The home of Rob Gerczewski of Fenton Township illuminates the corner of Owen and Linden roads. He said he started with simple decorations and kept adding to them over the years.

with lights or awash in holiday holograms.

Gerczewski spent about 15 hours in a week stringing lights, pushing glowing lollipop lawn decorations into the ground and hanging garland. "I started out small and every year it keeps growing, and all the neighborhood looks forward to it," he

said. "I do the same thing at Halloween."

"I'll get people stopping by every time and thanking me. It helps brighten up the neighborhood here," he said.

Birds Beware is into its second year installing residential and commercial Christmas lights. Office Manager Cuffy

Bell said the biggest job was installing 900 linear feet of lights, which can include a large home itself and trees up to 20 feet tall.

Holiday lights facts

Americans spent \$6 billion on Christmas lights in 2011, according to the National Retail Federation (NRF). The same organization reported more projected spending holiday spending in 2017.

When comparing outdoor Christmas decorations, the typical light user will use one to three wreaths, a garland, and a total of approximately 10 strings to wrap their outdoor trees. After calculating total wattage, people can see that electrical usage is minimal. With the above example, incandescent lights would use 635 watts, costing \$10.78, LED lights would use 96 watts, costing \$1.63 for the season, according to christmaslightsetc.com.

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Meet DEBBIE BRINDLE

- Director of Community Education and Food Service at Linden Community Schools
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By Sally Rummel

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Debbie Brindle, 59, was born and raised in Missouri, and moved to Michigan 39 years ago when she married her husband, Paul. She has worked at Linden Community Schools for 28 years and considers Linden home. Their son, Ben, works at the north end VG's Grocery in Fenton and their daughter, Mandy, lives in Zeeland with her husband, Jon and two daughters, Lucy, 7, and Molly, 6.

You wear a lot of hats at Linden schools — what is a typical day for you?

As the director of Community Education, I'm the liaison between the school and community, so I get to meet great people and volunteers. My job as Food Service director is the most demanding, but I work with 17 cooks that actually do the hard part — feeding the kids. In 2010, the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act was implemented by the Obama administration, which meant stiffer regulations regarding feeding students in schools. It meant taking away some of the foods that our kids loved, and replacing it with more fruits and vegetables, whole grain breads and foods lower in fats and calories. Don't get me wrong, all of that is good for you, but it was a shock. So, those first few years were pretty tough.

I start my day out with a lot of prayer and that is no joke. It is amazing how much better my day runs when I just give it to God. No day runs the same in our office. I am lucky enough to have this amazing secretary, Jill Mahakian, to help with the day-to-day. She is much nicer than I am. My office schedules all of the district facilities, organizes adult and youth enrichment, coordinates with community programs and oversees the district breakfast and lunch program. Needless to say, the day flies by.

How are Linden schools involved with many of the community holiday programs?

We have a great partnership with the community. Our staff and students pitch in and help out with Linden's Holiday Happening, and our office helps get the word out to families about Angel Tree and Christmas Express.



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Debbie Brindle
Linden Community Schools

We distribute and collect applications for our families. Every year at this time each of our district buildings are assigned a different item to collect for Christmas Express that will be packed into the food boxes that are given out. Our high school student council spends a whole day at Hope Lutheran Church the day before pick-up, helping to organize and pack food boxes. The real heroes though are the people behind the scenes making sure families are taken care of.

What does the Linden Follies evening mean to Linden schools?

I can't say enough about the Linden Follies. This is Linden Follies' 22nd year and our Linden Education Association does an amazing job. They pack the auditorium with two shows at 5 and 7 p.m. on Dec. 8. Tickets are on sale at all district buildings for \$5 each. All monies raised go right back into the community to support Christmas Express and Angel Tree. As for me, I have the important job of ticket taking; that's as far as my talents go.

What's your favorite part of the Christmas season?

This season just makes me happy. The true meaning of Christmas for me is the birth of Christ and the significance of Christ in my life. The Christmas story is a miracle of hope and faith and love, how can you not embrace that. I love that I can spend quality time with my family, usually two whole days with both kids and the grandkids under the same roof.

What are your hobbies?

I love to cook. I own a multitude of cookbooks. Hey, I hail from the south, we cook! However, my newfound hobby is being a grandma — who knew it could be so fun?

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Debbie Brindle is director of Community Education and Food Services at Linden Community Schools.

What is something about you that most people likely don't know?

Gosh, I can't think of anything, my life is an open book. Well, I do secretly fancy myself having a cooking show on the Food Network.

WHAT YOU MISSED in the MIDWEEK TIMES

Compiled by Vera Hogan

The following are stories you may have missed in the **Wednesday, Nov. 29, Midweek Times**. To subscribe and receive both the Midweek and Sunday Weekend editions, please call (810) 629-8282.

Are you violating city ordinances with your pets?

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Judge: goats gotta' go

City of Fenton family has lost their battle in court to keep two miniature Nigerian goats, which are being raised by their children as pets.

Ten fatalities over holiday weekend

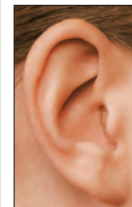
The Michigan State Police reported Monday, Nov. 27, that there were 10 fatalities in 10 separate traffic crashes over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

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KMART

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other large retailers, along with online giant Amazon, helped lead Michigan-grown Kmart to filing bankruptcy in 2002 and its subsequent merger with Sears.

Kmart, now under the Sears Holdings Corporation, has 610 locations across the U.S., compared to 883 just one year ago. In Michigan, there are only 28 Kmart locations left, down from 132 in its heyday.

But there may be more reasons to be hopeful for the future of this 22-year-old building in a prime retail location — if any of the other closed Kmart stores are any indication.

Real estate brokers in a recent Detroit Free Press article say that old Kmart properties make good redevelopment projects because they typically have good locations in high-traffic areas.

Many former Kmart stores have been repurposed into multiple smaller retailers, new large-format Kroger Marketplace stores or major retailers like Hobby Lobby and Big Lots.

In Portage, near Kalamazoo, the Kmart closed in 2010 and was later subdivided and renovated into a Hobby Lobby, Dick's Sporting Goods with an Aldi added in 2014.

The former Farmington Hills Kmart at 37025 Grand River was torn down and redeveloped into a mixed-use office and retail location.

Closer to home, the former Kmart at

10951 Highland Rd. in White Lake was torn down and became a Kroger.

It's called a "cycle of life" in commercial real estate, when older, once-popular retail chains are succeeded by fresh tenants with more competitive brands and square footage. Usually, the buildings are outdated and need extensive renovation, but their locations are key to the success of new tenants.

"It's just a matter of time, the way things are going around here," said Mike Reilly, Fenton City zoning and building administrator. "We'd like to see retail, but we're open to pretty much anything. People ask us all the time why we're putting up the strip mall (Owen Shoppes). We don't control it. They have to meet Planning Commission requirements."

He said he's been in contact with the Realtor. "As far as a code violation, they jump on it and take care of it," Reilly said. According to an online search, Ron Goldstone of the NAI Farman Group in Southfield is handling the Kmart account in Fenton.

A call to Sears Holdings headquarters near Chicago resulted in a quick return email. "We still seek to sell the store or find a tenant for the entire store," said Howard Riefs, director of corporate communications.

The assessed value of the shuttered Kmart from the city of Fenton is \$2,391,806. The property is listed for sale or for lease at Thebrokerslist.com for an undisclosed price. Several calls to Goldstone were not returned.

MCDONALD'S

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According to owner, Mark Pfau, who owns several McDonald's restaurants, said on Thursday, Nov. 30, that the finishing touches are being put on the property.

"The inside is ready to go," he said.

Builders are completing work on the lot, which includes landscaping and paving. Weather-permitting, the paving will take place on Saturday and Sunday, and the striping on Monday, Pfau said.

The newly built restaurant will feature a new play land and two kiosks where customers can enjoy self-ordering. "It will be the experience of the future," said Pfau of all the new amenities, which also includes a digital menu at the outdoor drive-through.

Pfau said he only lost a few of the

70 employees who worked at the Owen Road McDonald's. Most are coming back and "we've hired some new ones," he said.

McDonald's has been serving fast food patrons at the Owen Road location for well over two decades. Prior to the influx of businesses along the Owen Road corridor, it stood alone as the only fast-food restaurant for many years.

The restaurant was remodeled in the early 1990s, making it a more "homey" environment for the adults, and more fun for the kids with the enlarged, towering play area.

In the event inclement weather prevents the Tuesday opening, which Pfau does not anticipate, the new restaurant will be open for business as soon as possible after that.

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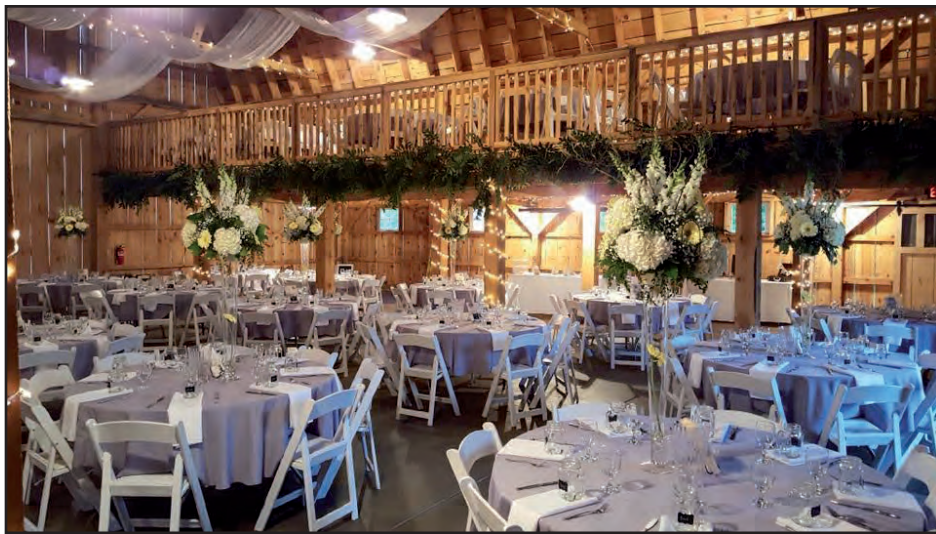
By Sally Rummel

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Rod and Antoinette Wyman are the owners of the Leap of Faith Barn, a farm and wedding venue at 3940 Demode Rd. in Rose Township, five miles west of U.S. 23 and six miles north of M-59. Situated on 20 wooded acres on a private residence, the venue provides a natural backdrop for a couple's special day.

How did the Leap of Faith Barn become a wedding venue?

Our son, Matthew, and his fiancée, Tracie, were looking for a rustic barn wedding venue and in 2013, there were very few in the area. My husband's family has a long-standing reputation for a deep love of land in this area, dating back to the turn of the 20th century. We had the resources to make their dream come true, and two Amish men built the barn on-site out of Amish lumber cut from logs at a northern Michigan saw mill. The entire barn was constructed on the ground all by hand, then lifted to create a stunning hip roof barn in just 21 days



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The interior of the Leap of Faith Barn can be decorated as simply or elegantly as the bridal couple desires, using rental items available in a personalized "do-it-yourself" format.

What makes Leap of Faith Barn such a unique wedding venue? The wooded grounds, the pastures, the horses and all of nature make a beautiful setting, but it's also our "do-it-yourself" wedding concept. This format allows couples to spend their wedding dollars exactly where they want, on what matters most to them.

For example, a couple may choose to decorate in their own style, or rent decorative items from us, or use our lovely barn just as it is. They can also choose to have both their ceremony and reception here or their ceremony elsewhere and the reception at the barn. Maximum capacity is 199.

How does a couple plan a wedding at Leap of Faith? First of all, every event is coordinated and run exclusively by family, ensuring that we are as invested in an unforgettable event as you are.

Our barn rental is priced by the weekend, Friday through Sunday. Typically, Friday is for decorating, Saturday is for last-minute details and getting dressed for the ceremony and Sunday is for take-down and cleanup, packing up gifts and reminiscing about the day before.

The couple and wedding party can get ready in the bridal suite and the groomsmen's quarters.

How far ahead do couples need to book their wedding date? Our wedding season is from late-May to the first weekend in October. In general, we're booking 18 months in advance, with fall dates in highest demand. There is still one date left in the 2018 wedding season, so it's always worthwhile to send an email to Leapoffaithbarn@gmail.com. We're already booking for 2019.

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C.O.P.S. FUNDRAISER SET FOR DEC. 16 IN FENTON

A C.O.P.S. (Concern Over Police Safety) fundraiser is set for Saturday, Dec. 16, from 4:30 to 9:30 p.m., at the Curtis-Wolverton VFW Post 3243, 1148 N. LeRoy St. in Fenton. Police Lt. Jeff Neville, stabbing victim at Bishop International Airport in Flint this summer, will be guest speaker. Music from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. will be provided by "Peaceful Authority," an a capella singing group of three Flint police officers and one retired officer. The all-you-can-eat taco bar will be catered by Cancun Mexican Restaurant & Cantina in Fenton. Tickets are \$20 per person or \$30 per couple, available at the restaurant, by calling organizer Herman Ferguson at (810) 730-3627 or at the door the night of the event.

Spotlight on:

THE NEW FACE OF THE STATE BANK

• Interactive Teller Machines connects you with a live teller seven days a week

By Sally Rummel

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Chances are you will know the bank teller's face behind the new CONNECT Interactive Teller Machines recently installed at The State Bank's drive-through locations.

"The faces you see on the screen are familiar faces of our tellers who have been promoted to the call center at our Grand Blanc location," said Kristy Shaffer, senior vice president of human resources and marketing.

These new CONNECT Interactive Teller Machines are now operational at all



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The new CONNECT! Teller machines at The State Bank on North LeRoy Street in Fenton connect drive-up customers with a live teller at its Grand Blanc center.

The State Bank locations, and have actually resulted in the promotion of a number of bank tellers. It is also being installed at The State Bank location inside VG's Grocery at 18005 Silver Pkwy. in Fenton,

currently undergoing a renovation to accommodate CONNECT technology.

"No one lost their job as a result of this new technology," Shaffer said. "Seven people were actually promoted."

This new technology isn't moving toward self-serve banking. In fact, it's quite the opposite, Shaffer said.

"Someone is actually waiting on you, so it's much more personal service than using an ATM," she said. "We are using CONNECT to meet the demands of our customers. Now we can be open seven days a week, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., with a live teller, giving you access to your bank account to make a loan payment, cash a check down to the penny, transfer money, make a deposit, cash multiple checks at a time, etc."

The State Bank is running a contest during the month of December, giving away \$1,000 every Friday, beginning Friday, Dec. 1, 8, 15 and 22. "All you have to do is use CONNECT and sign up for the drawing," said Shaffer.

For any questions about CONNECT, contact The State Bank's main office at 175 N. LeRoy St., Fenton, telephone (810) 629-2263.

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Kristy Shaffer
The State Bank senior vice president

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Fenton's Shegos to dive for the Illini in fall

By David Troppens

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Taylor Shegos' family had a pool when she was growing up.

It's a good thing they did, because it led to her passion — diving.

And now her passion is going to lead to an opportunity to dive at the Division 1 collegiate level.

Shegos, a Fenton senior, will continue her diving career at the University of Illinois when the 2017-18 school year begins next fall.

"I grew up with a pool in our back-

yard and with a diving board," Shegos said. "I'd do flips off of it. Even though it didn't spring high, I still loved it. I told my mom I wanted to dive for real and she signed me up. My sisters were in (Fenton varsity swim coach Brad) Jones' class in seventh grade and I started to dive."

Shegos' passion goes well beyond her family pool and being a member of the Fenton varsity swimming and diving team. She's also a member of Legacy Diving, which is located at Eastern Michigan University's pool. Most days she'll

make the trek for practices with the Legacy team, where many of the elite divers in the state practice and compete for.

It has paid off handsomely. Shegos is a three-time Division 2 All-State diver, earning the honor every year since her sophomore season. She's competed in the state meet every year of her prep career. During her sophomore season, she advanced to the semifinal round, placing 18th with a score of 241.10. Her sophomore season she placed fifth at the state

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Fenton's Taylor Shegos poses with teammate Carly Kozlowski at the state meet. Shegos will dive at the University of Illinois next fall.

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A few thoughts about the area's sports scene and others not dealing with sports at all.



MY FAVORITE 1980S ARCADE GAMES

I don't know why but it seems over the last month or so I've seen a lot of stuff discussing the history of video games. It got me to thinking about the first video game I ever saw in my life — Pong.

For those who weren't around in the early 1970s when Pong was released, all the game involved was two joy sticks for two opponents. Each opponent had an open side they had to defend with this little white line which they could move up or down with their joystick. In between the two competitors' open sides there was a dot (or a ball) that bounced from right to left or left to right after one opponent 'saved' their territory by bouncing the ball back with their little line. The person who missed the ball, lost the point.

I remember when Pong was first developed for homes. You'd walk into Sears and there would be

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Fenton's Poulson leads our soccer team

By David Troppens

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When anyone talks to someone on the Fenton varsity boys soccer team, it won't be long before the word 'brotherhood' comes up.

But what is brotherhood? Chase Poulson may have had the ultimate 'brotherhood' moment in a district tournament contest against area rival Linden this fall.

"We were playing Linden and he went to take a long throw-in, near where the fans walk in," Fenton varsity soccer coach Matt Sullivan said. "As he's getting ready to throw the ball in, he stopped, turned and saw (ex-Fenton teammate Patrick Conroy). He stopped everything, turned and gave him a big hug in the middle of the game."

"I heard my name and then I saw Patrick, so I went into the crowd to give him a hug," Poulson said when recalling the moment. "I don't know if anybody saw it. We did it real quick. I was happy he was there and told him to enjoy the game."

"That story kind of sums up Chase," Sullivan said. "He is a big and strong player but he also had a big heart. Nothing is ever

more important to him than a teammate or an ex-teammate."

That's what Fenton's brotherhood bond means in one quick story. The story also symbolizes why Poulson was one of the pivotal leaders for the Fenton Tigers last fall. He was selfless, starting the season on defense, but when a change needed to be made, he was more than willing to move to offense. That move changed the Tigers' season completely around. A team that was struggling to score

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Fenton's Chase Poulson is our Tri-County Boys Soccer Player of the Year. He spent time on both sides of the pitch, scoring nine goals in the 10 games he played at forward.



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Fenton's Chase Poulson (left) shields the ball away from a Goodrich foe. Poulson earned Third-Team All-State honors this fall and is also our 2017 Tri-County Boys Soccer Player of the Year.

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lines of about 10 people waiting for their turn to play someone Pong. It was THE BOMB.

Since those days, I played my share of video games as a kid. We had Atari and a few of the Nintendo systems. But most of our play happened at the arcades in the 1980s. I thought I would look back and discuss some of my favorite video games.

Birdie King - The game consisted of a large roll ball that you spun to shoot your ball. I think you started with three holes for a quarter, but with every birdie you would earn more holes, eventually enabling you to finish all 18 holes. The game was pretty basic but it was fun. There was wind and even a bird that flew around that could block your ball. The greens had breaks as well. I was pretty good at this game. I think my low score of all time was 9-under. I got some bruises on my hands rolling that ball.

Kickman - I hated waiting to play games, so I played a lot of the less popular games. Kickman was super underrated. It involved a clown on a unicycle who either caught or popped balloons that flew from the sky to the ground. Catching them was more difficult, as they would pile on top of you, meaning you had to move fast. If you didn't catch it, you'd have to kick it back in the air. Sometimes you'd find yourself kicking two balloons for minutes, waiting for your chance to catch them. I think you had to catch 10 of them.

Mappy - I could spend hours on this game. With this game, you were a mouse trying to collect appliances littered around a house. While trying to collect them, you had kittens trying to stop you. If the kittens ran into your mouse when you were on a floor, you died. You also had four microwave doors you could open to help your cause (and score big points with). The microwave beams directed the kittens away, forcing them to start their chase all over again. To get from level to level at the house, there were empty areas with open spaces taking you to some trampolines. You could bounce on those and then jump to another level. You also could not get killed while jumping on one of those. However, if you jumped on one too many times, it would break and you could die that way as well.

You still can get this game on one at a general merchandise store. The video looks like the real video game.

Ms. Pac-Man - I never cared too much for Pac-Man, but when Ms. Pac-Man came out, this game was a winner. It had different boards and it was clearly superior to the original game. I was pretty decent at this game, but there were people that simply amazed me. I'd get something like 103,000 every six months and pump my chest, but then someone would score 150,000 in a matter of a game. I mostly scored about 70,000 points. I have never seen anyone complete all the boards during a game.

POULSON

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goals and collect wins suddenly started scoring goals and winning games. Next thing the Tigers knew they were finishing second in the Metro League race, tied with Linden. Poulson also proved to be the leader of the change, earning himself the honor of 2017 Tri-County Boys Soccer Player of the Year.

Fenton struggled mightily at the start of the season, scoring just three goals in their first six games, losing five of those contests. Nothing changed until about midseason when Poulson became an attacking player instead of playing on defense. The results were Poulson scoring nine goals and dishing five assists in the 10 games he played forward.

The Tigers' offense started opening up as others scored goals as well. And when the state tournament came, the Tigers were playing their best soccer of the season. They opened the tournament with a 1-0 victory against Linden and followed that win with a 1-0 victory against Kearsley. Their season ended in a shootout loss to Goodrich on Goodrich's home field.

"We had slow start, but once everyone started clicking and playing together as brothers, we started winning games.

"It was an interesting season. I started off thinking I'd be on defense. All year I joked around about playing forward, not thinking he'd do it. But by then at the end of the season he did. Playing forward was definitely a change of pace. It was

really fun though. I felt like the kid in the candy shop, trying my best to score," he said.

Poulson's season earned him Third-Team All-State honors despite making the move to forward midway through the season. Of course, Poulson put his talent on display last year as well, being one of the key members on the Tigers' squad that went to the state semifinals.

Poulson has one more season with the program, but he already understands what the program has meant to him.

"Fenton soccer meant the world to me," Poulson said. "It's given me new relationships and introduced me to people I'm not sure I would've talked to in school otherwise. People have my back and they know they can rely on me if they have problems. It's given me a bunch of brothers."



Fenton's Chase Poulson

ALL TRI-COUNTY BOYS SOCCER TEAM

Player of the Year:

Chase Poulson

Class: Junior **Team:** Fenton

Comment: Poulson is one of the area's most versatile players, capable of playing on defense and as an attacking player. When he made the move to forward he scored nine goals and had five assists, helping reverse Fenton's fortunes. He earned Third-Team All-State honors.

Note: The Tri-County Times team is decided based on all-league teams. The Player of the Year is selected by the staff.

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meet, performing her 11 dives with a score of 392.75. All four divers ahead of her were teammates at Forest Hills Central. During her junior season, Shegos ended up taking second place. She had a semifinal score of 295.70, placing her second entering the finals. While in the finals, she took first place entering the final dive, but eventually settled for second place with an 11-dive score of 421.70.

Recently, she capped her prep career at the Holland Aquatic Center, placing second once again with a score of 413.30. In her final dive of the meet, she scored 50 points, earning her the highest scored dive of the meet.

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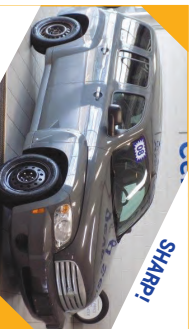
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