DIFFERENT TYPES OF SKIING

By Hannah Ball
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Imagine zooming across the surface of the lake, skis on your feet with a life jacket on, being pulled by a rope.

Water skiing has been around since 1922, when Ralph Samuelson attached two pine boards to his feet and used a clothesline as a tow rope on Lake Pepin in Lake City, Minnesota, according to the USA Water Ski Foundation.

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When water skiing was invented, it involved two pieces of wood strapped to someone’s feet and a clothesline for a tow rope. Now, there are double boot skis and other water sports, like wakeboarding, tubing, and knee-boarding. (Right) Local water-skier John Tremaine skis with his son.

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Since Valentine’s Day was four days ago I was not really planning to write about it. But something came to my attention on Wednesday that changed my mind.

When I was in elementary school, I used to love Valentine’s Day. Each year, our teacher would have us decorate a container, or a mailbox of some sort, to hold all the Valentine’s the kids in the class would share with each other on the big day.

About two weeks before Valentine’s Day, we would go to the store and pick out a box of Valentines. It was important to make sure they relayed the pictures and messages that best fit our personalities. This was serious business.

A few days before Valentine’s Day, I would open my new box of little cards and with the class list at hand, start making them out.

Once I was done with my cards, my mom would ask to see them.

“Where is Darrel’s,” she asked.

I did not like Darrel and she knew it. But for some reason she had a soft spot in her heart for him. To this day I have no idea why.

Darrel was creepy. He had greasy blond hair. He wore black horn-rimmed glasses with a piece of tape holding them together at the bridge. They were always slipping down his nose and he was constantly pushing them back up. He was always sniveling.

“I’m not giving him one,” I answered.

“Why not,” she asked, now with her hands on her hips.

“Because I don’t like Darrel, he is creepy,” I said.

“Yes, Mom.”

My mother, of course, was right. It wasn’t very kind of me to exclude Darrel and he would have known and probably be hurt because I never gave him any reason to believe that I didn’t like him. I just stayed out of his way and ignored him.

On Wednesday, I learned that the little daughter of one of my husband’s cousins had a very bad Valentine’s Day experience. This cousin was killed in a tragic freak car accident four and a half years ago. He had a little girl. She adored her daddy and her daddy adored her. She still doesn’t understand why “daddy had to die.”

This little girl attends one of Fen-ton’s elementary schools. In her Valentine’s bag Wednesday was a note from another child saying nasty things about her dead father. Her mother said this is not the first time it’s happened.

I’m sure her mother will handle this with the school district, but parents please, watch what your little kids are saying and writing. It’s not just the teenagers. Having one young child write mean things about another child’s deceased parent, and then give it to her, is completely unacceptable on any day, let alone a day that is reserved for love and friendship.

By the way, I found Darrel on Facebook. He aged fairly well I guess. He seems to be running for sheriff in the county where he lives, is married and active in his community. I’m happy about that. Thanks Mom!
12 interesting facts about PRESIDENTS

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President’s Day is Monday, Feb. 19. To celebrate the most famous men in American government, here are 12 interesting facts about the past presidents.

1. The most educated president was Woodrow Wilson, who had a Ph.D. in political science and history from John Hopkins University. He passed the Georgia bar exam even though he didn’t finish law school.

2. Warren G. Harding, the 29th president, gambled away all of the White House china in a poker game. He formed the “Poker Cabinet” during his term with members of his cabinet and often drank, even though Prohibition was in full swing.

3. While in the Navy, the nation’s 37th president, Richard Nixon, learned to play poker and won $6,000 in a few months’ time. He used that money to fund his first congressional campaign.

4. Andrew Jackson was a vicious political opponent. In the 1828 election, he spread rumors about his opponent and incumbent John Quincy Adams that he offered “services” of an American chambermaid to Tsar Alexander I while serving as ambassador to Russia.

5. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt rode in Al Capone’s impounded car following the attack on Pearl Harbor. While the crime lord was in prison, FDR used his car, an armored 1928 Cadillac V8 Town Sedan, because it was retrofitted with inch-thick bulletproof glass and 1,360 kilograms of armor plating.

6. Before he became president, Harry Truman owned a haberdashery business that went bankrupt in 1921.

7. Lyndon Johnson was known to be a mean man. His aide George Reedy described him as a womanizing, perverted drunkard who liked to make people uncomfortable by insisting they continue conversations in the bathrooms when LBJ wanted to relieve himself. There are other stories of him revealing his genitals in mixed company and even peeing on a Secret Service agent’s leg.

8. Herbert Hoover, the nation’s 31st president, spoke Mandarin Chinese fluently with his wife around the White House so others wouldn’t understand them. Their family lived in China before he became president.

9. Abraham Lincoln was the only president to tend bar. He opened a bar with his friend William Berry in Illinois in 1833, but had a hard time selling alcohol. Berry was an alcoholic and Lincoln sold his portion of the bar to Berry that year. When Berry died, Lincoln was left with a staggering amount of debt he couldn’t repay for over a decade.

10. Bill Clinton only sent two emails in his tenure as president. One was a text message, and the other was a message to U.S. Senator John Glenn about the Space Shuttle Discovery, saying that he and his wife, Hillary, had a great time at the launch. Clinton preferred phone calls and handwritten memos.

11. John Adams, the second president, signed the Alien and Sedition Acts. The Sedition Acts made it illegal to publish or speak words that had “bad intent” to “defame” the government, or express “any false, scandalous and malicious writing” against Congress or the president. This law expired after Adam’s first, and only, term in 1801.

12. Gerald R. Ford and his wife Betty were models. In 1942, Gerald, the 38th president, was on the cover of fashion magazine Cosmopolitan in his Navy uniform.
WATER SKIING
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Ever since then, millions of people have participated in the activity, and it has given rise to other water sports. It may be winter, but it’s never too late to plan for summer and water sports. The Detroit Boat Show is open from Feb. 17 to Feb. 25, giving people a chance to look at new models and potentially plan for fun summer activities.

John Tremaine, of Fenton Township, has been water skiing since he was 8 years old. “It wasn’t something I particularly enjoyed when I was younger, but after I did it, I was glad I did,” he said. He and his family were the only ones on the island on Lake Fenton, so their boats were for fun, but were more for transportation. Tremaine learned how water ski, barefoot ski, and kneeboard, and they often went tubing. Barefoot skiing hurts the first time you do it, he said, and then your feet grow accustomed to it.

As they got older, boating technology evolved, and wakeboarding grew more popular than water skiing. “Water skiing is still alive, but more people are into wakeboarding,” he said, adding that he wakeboards more than he water skis. The skis have evolved and now double boot skis, with two lock-in points on each foot, are commonly used compared to slip-in ski boots.

“As you get better, it’s definitely an adrenaline rush to be going across the wake at 50 miles an hour,” he said. “It’s the closest thing to walking on water.”

Along with the evolution of skiing, the evolution of boats has also changed water sports. Nowadays, the boats are faster and the ropes are shorter so experience is more intense. “Back in the day, the boats were designed ‘the smaller the wake, the better, he said. They were designed to not have a wake. You don’t want wake when you’re water skiing. When wakeboarding came about, they designed boats for wakeboarding with bigger weights in total contrast.”

As the boats made bigger wakes, boat companies accidently brought another sport to the lakes—surfing. “I see quite a few people doing it,” he said.

If you’re looking to join a group for water sports, the Silver Lake Ski Club performs during the summer every week on Silver Lake in Fenton. Here are the best boating options for certain activities, according to discoverboating.com.

Boating for sport
If you’re interested in trying a water sport, research high performance boats and jet boats for speed, along with boats specifically for skiing, wakeboarding and surfing that make the biggest wakes. These boats are normally smaller, compact, and not meant to haul a lot of people.

Boating for leisure/family
If you’re looking to cruise around a lake with your significant other or your wife and kids, you have many options. Bowriders and Cuddy Cabins are fast boats speeds good for touring a lake, going to the swimming hole, and pulling a tube full of kids. Deck boats are also speed boats, but with added room to carry extra passengers.

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Boating for fishing
There are dozens of options for fishing boats, from all-purpose fishing boats, bass boats, center consoles, and smaller aluminum fishing boats. To choose the best fishing boat for you, call any of the marinas and water sports store in the area, like Silver Spray Sports, Action Water Sports, Aqua Water Sports, Freeway Sports Center, White’s Landing, Lake Ponemah Marina, or C&C Sports.
CITY OF LINDEN – PUBLIC HEARING

ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT

The Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on Monday, March 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., as part of the regular meeting agenda, in the Council Chambers located at 201 N. Main Street, Linden, Michigan, to consider an amendment to Section 3.10 of the City of Linden Zoning Ordinance to revise the penalties for violations of the Zoning Ordinance, designating violations as municipal civil infractions. The text of the proposed amendment is available for review at the city offices during normal business hours. Persons wishing to comment on the matter are encouraged to attend the public hearing or to address written comments to the City Clerk in City Hall at PO. Box 507, 132 E. Broad Street, Linden, Michigan 48451 prior to the date of the public hearing.

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NOTICE
CITY OF FENTON
BOARD OF REVIEW 2018

The City of Fenton 2018 March Board of Review will meet at Fenton City Hall Conference Room, 301 S Leroy Street, Fenton, Michigan 48430, at the following times for the purpose of hearing protests to assessed values and the review of hardship exemption applications and Disabled Veteran Exemptions.

Monday, March 5th, 2018  9am-9:15 (organizational)
Monday, March 5th, 2018  9:15-12noon Appeals
Tuesday, March 6th, 2018  9am-12noon
Wednesday March 7th, 2018  2pm-4pm & 6pm-9pm
Monday, March 19th, 2018  3pm-6pm

Meetings with the Board of Review are held by appointment only. Appointments can be made by contacting the Assessors Office at (810)629-2251, or visiting Fenton City Hall at 301 S Leroy Street, Fenton, Michigan 48430.

Property owners who reside out of the area may appeal in writing to the Board of Review. Written appeals must be received no later than 5pm Monday March 19th, 2018.

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NOTICE of 2018 BOARD OF REVIEW FOR THE TAXPAYERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOLLY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board of Review of the Township of Holly will meet at the Holly Township Hall, 102 Civic Drive, Holly, Michigan as follows:

Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 1:30 PM - Organizational Meeting to receive 2016 Assessment Roll from Assessor [MCL 211.29(1)]
Appointments will be taken for:

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NOTICE of PUBLIC HEARING
HOLLY MILL POND
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Village Council of the Village of Holly will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as possible, in the Karl Richter Center Board of Education Meeting Room located at 920 E. Baird Street, Holly, MI.

THE PURPOSE OF THE HEARING is to confirm the special assessment roll and provide an opportunity for property owners and interested parties to comment on and/or protest the Holly Mill Pond Special Assessment District. Appearance and protest at the hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the state tax tribunal.

AN OWNER OR PARTY IN INTEREST, or his or her agent may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment, or shall be permitted to file his or her appearance or protest by letter and his or her personal appearance shall not be required. Comments and/or protest by mail should be mailed to the Village of Holly Clerk-Treasurer, 300 East Street, Karl Richter Center, Holly, MI 48442-1694. The property owner or any person having an interest in the real property may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the state tax tribunal within thirty (30) days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll if the special assessment was protested at the hearing held for the purpose of confirming the special assessment roll. The special assessment roll and related materials are available for review at the Village Offices located at 300 East Street, Karl Richter Center, Holly, MI during regular business hours.

QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT, by telephone should be directed to the Village Offices at (248) 634-9671. Handicapped or other persons needing assistance to attend or participate in the hearing are asked to contact the Village Office 48 hours prior to the hearing.

Deborah J. Bigger
Clerk/Treasurer
Village of Holly

2018 BOARD OF REVIEW NOTICE
ROSE TOWNSHIP
9080 Mason St
Holly, Michigan 48442

MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING SCHEDULE
The 2018 Rose Township Board of Review will be held at the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street, Holly, Michigan on the following dates and times:

March 6, 2018 2:00 pm Organizational Meeting

Appointments will begin on:

Thursday, March 8, 2018  9:00 am – 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Monday, March 12, 2018  1:00 pm – 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Wednesday, March 14, 2018  9:00 am – 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT IN ADVANCE FOR THE BOARD OF REVIEW, PLEASE CONTACT OAKLAND COUNTY EQUALIZATION DIVISION, PRIOR TO MARCH 2nd, 2018 TOLL FREE, 1-888-350-0900, EXTENSION 54402 OR (248) 975-4402.

APPEARANCES BEFORE THE BOARD OF REVIEW ARE LIMITED TO 15 MINUTES.
PROPERTY OWNERS MAY APPEAL BY MAIL IF RECEIVED BY 4:00 PM WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2018

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

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Denise Graves, Clerk
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PUBLIC NOTICE

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DATE:            February 13, 2018
PLACE:           Holly Board of Education Meeting Room
920 E. Baird Street, Holly, MI 48442

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately upon publication

The proposed ordinance number 451 amends Section 130.02(A), 130.02(C) 130.99(B) (2) of Chapter 130 of the Village of Holly Ordinances by amending the penalty for violations of conduct of minors under the alcohol control laws.

The full text of the proposed Ordinance to be amended is available for review in the Office of the Village Clerk-Treasurer, 300 East Street, Holly, Michigan 48442 during regular business hours. Comments concerning the ordinance amendment should be directed to the Village Clerk-Treasurer at the above address or by telephone to (248) 634-9571.

Deborah J. Bigger
Clk-Trs
Village of Holly

TYRONE TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC NOTICE

REVISIONS TO ZONING ORDINANCE #36 AND LAND DIVISION ORDINANCE #25

Notice is hereby given the Tyrone Township Board, during a regular meeting held on February 6, 2018, adopted amendments to Ordinance #36, Articles 21, 22, and the Land Division Ordinance #25. All ordinances are available to the public for review during regular business hours at the Tyrone Township Hall, 10408 Center Road, Fenton, Michigan 48430 and can also be accessed from the township’s website at www.tyronetownship.us. A summary of the revisions follows:

1. Article 21, Section 21.43 – Condominium Development Standards and Site Plan Review, to include reference to the Michigan Condominium Act (Act 59 of 1978, as amended);
2. Article 22, Section 22.05.C – Cemeteries, to update cemetery special land use requirements regarding Access, Road Design, Setbacks, and Fencing;
4. Ordinance #25 – Land Division Ordinance, to update licensed designer requirements consistent with Public Act 178 of 2013.

The above amendments to the Tyrone Township Zoning Ordinance #36 shall take effect 7 days after publication of this notice.

TYRONE TOWNSHIP
2018 BOARD OF REVIEW
PUBLIC NOTICE

The 2018 Board of Review will be held at the Tyrone Township Hall, located at 10408 Center Road, Fenton, MI 48430 on the following dates and times:

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2018
Organizational Meeting  10:00 am
TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018
9:00 am -12:00 pm., 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2018
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm.,  6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Please call (810) 629-8631 for a recommended appointment. Letters of appeal will be accepted and must be received by 9:00 pm. on March 14, 2018. No faxes or emails will be accepted.

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Jean Karen Hagstrom
Jean Karen Hagstrom - age 70, of Linden, died peacefully at home Wednesday, February 14, 2018. Funeral Services will be held Monday, February 19, 2018 at 3 PM, visitation begins at 2 PM at Gings Die Lutheran Church, 5005 McCandlish Road, Grand Blanc. Pastor Nathan Loesch officiating. Visit will be held at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton on Sunday, February 18, 2018 from 1-7 PM. Those desiring, may make contributions to the Shepherd or the Lakes Lutheran Church building fund, P.O. Box 857, Fenton, MI 48430 or the University of Michigan Cancer Research Center/Brain Tumor Research Fund.

Pauline Christian

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When you arrive at the funeral home, go to the family, and express your sympathy with an embrace or by offering your hands. Don’t feel as though you must avoid talking about the person who has died.

Talking can help the grieving process begin. If you were an acquaintance of the deceased but not well-known to the family, immediately introduce yourself.

Do not feel uncomfortable if you or the family member becomes emotional or begins to cry.

Allowing the family to grieve is a natural healing process.

However, if you find yourself becoming extremely upset, it would be kinder to excuse yourself so as not to increase the strain on the family.

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The growing problem of pet obesity

Many pet owners would never intentionally harm their companion animals. In fact, pet owners often go above and beyond to ensure their animals are well cared for and content. However, ever since the 1970s, many well-meaning people may be inadvertently harming their pets with something they provide each and every day: food.

Obesity is on the rise among pets. The Association for Pet Obesity Prevention says that 54 percent of dogs and 59 percent of cats in the United States were categorized as overweight or obese in 2016. That marks an increase from 52.5 percent and 58.3 percent, respectively, from four years ago. The majority of veterinarians think that pet obesity is a significant problem and nearly half of pet owners admit that their pets have discussed a pet’s ideal weight with them during pet health visits.

PET WEIGHT AND APPEARANCE
Body weights for pets are based on breed ideals and may not necessarily apply to dogs and cats of mixed breeds. For example, a golden retriever should weigh between 65 and 75 pounds. A domestic cat should weigh between eight and 10 pounds. But vets will consider a host of variables to determine if a given pet is a healthy weight.

Vets advise that dog owners should be able to easily feel and count dog’s ribs when they run their fingers across the side of the animal. Pets viewed from above should display an hourglass figure that includes an indentation near the midsection. The absence of this “waist” may indicate a problem. When observing a pet from the side while he or she is standing, a slight upward slope of the stomach should be visible. A low-hanging abdomen means abdominal fat may be present.

HEALTH PROBLEMS RELATED TO WEIGHT
The Purina Pet Care Center found that overweight pets may live two years less than ideal weight pets. Reduced life span is not the only problem, as carrying extra pounds can contribute to various maladies. These include osteoarthritis and poor joint health, type 2 diabetes, ligament injuries, heart and respiratory disease, kidney disease, and cancer.

EXERCISE AND FOOD
Just like humans, pets need a combination of physical activity and caloric moderation to maintain healthy weights. Daily caloric needs for indoor cats ranges from 180 to 200 calories per day. The larger a dog is, the more calories it needs.

Pet owners should work with their veterinarians to map out a diet and exercise regimen that can help their overweight pets shed pounds. Vets also can help determine if weight gain is due to illness or food habits.

Pets need to maintain healthy diets and engage in exercise to maintain ideal body weights that will keep them healthy for years to come.

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