By Sally Rummel

Remember the days when your garage was just a place to park your car and store some of your tools?

If you’re building a new home today, you’re likely placing much more value on your garage than that.

The consumer shift to pickups and large SUVs has created the need for a much larger space than what your parents or grandparents had.

Many homes in this Fenton Township subdivision feature three-car garages, with additional storage and living space above. Larger garages now include extra space for storage, a refrigerator, or even entertainment.

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My childhood was idyllic

We often ask readers the question, “If you could go back (or forward) in time, where would you go? Some young people have said, “the ’80s” and then give their reasons. I’m thinking, “the ’80s, didn’t that just happen?”

Anyway, I would definitely go back to the late ’50s and early ’60s when I was a carefree child. My mom and dad didn’t have a lot of money, but they were able to manage so that Mom didn’t have to work. She would spend her days cleaning and doing other household chores. Every day she watched her soap operas, which were “As the World Turns” and “Secret Storm.” She watched them religiously, then go coffee klatch with the neighbors for a while.

When my sisters and I got home from school, we would get a snack, put on our “ears” and watch the Mickey Mouse Club (no, I am not kidding). When there was no school, we would watch cartoons in the morning and then later Bozo the Clown and Garfield Goose.

About the same time we arrived home from school, Mom used to start dinner. My dad got home from work at 5 p.m. and that’s when we ate supper, every single night. We also ate what our dad ate. There was no “kids menu” at our house. I didn’t have a decent steak until I left home at 21. He ate his well done so we did, too. I now savor the flavor of a medium rare, mostly rare steak. My older sister eats hers completely rare. She will throw a steak on the grill, slide it across to the other side, flip it, and slide it back over and onto her plate it goes. Ick! That’s a little too much blood for me.

We had several shows we watched every week as a family. The night-time sitcoms we never missed were “I Love Lucy,” “The Dick Van Dyke Show,” “The Andy Griffith Show” (later named “Andy of Mayberry”), and “The Beverly Hillbillies.”

I remember my sisters and I on the living room floor on our stomachs, with our chins in our hands riveted to the television set. We laughed our butts off at the antics of Laura Petrie on Dick Van Dyke, Lucy Ricardo on the Lucy Show, Deputy Barney Fife on Andy Griffith and everyone on the Beverly Hillbillies.

Sundays were very special in my house. I think I’ve mentioned this before, but everyone in my house would disappear somewhere and I would be alone in the living room watching “Family Classics” that aired numerous great movies. My favorites were “Captain Blood” and “Sea Hawk.” I don’t care what they say about Errol Flynn, he was a “purdy man” in my little girl eyes.

At 6 p.m. every Sunday we watched “Bonanza” as a family. Everyone loved it. No one in the house was into the news so “60 Minutes” was out. At 7 o’clock was the “Ed Sullivan Show.” It was on that show that we first saw Elvis, the Supremes, the Beatles, Petula Clark, Roy Orbison and the list goes on and on. No football, ever!

When I think back on those days, I realize how lucky my sisters and I were to have parents who really liked being with us and doing things together.

Yes, I enjoyed an idyllic childhood and for that I will be forever grateful. Just sayin’!

Vera Hogan

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GARAGES

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That means you’re likely building a three-car garage.

Adam Heil of A.M. Heil Building Company in Fenton builds three-car garages on all his new construction homes.

“I’ve never built what used to be your typical two-car garage,” he said. “People use the extra space for storage. The depth is definitely deeper, so there room to pull into your garage and walk around all four sides of your vehicle, plus there’s room for a refrigerator, shelving units, boats, Jet Skis, etc.”

Jeff Wedding, owner of Lake & Land Custom Homes in Fenton, said that building a three-car garage makes sense financially, because it’s economical to add that third bay. “A lot of families have more than two cars, and lots of toys, four-wheelers, boats, pontoons, etc.” he said. “They’re finding that adding that third garage just makes sense.”

Today’s large garages are not only deeper, but also have higher ceilings than ever before. “A lot of homeowners like to have 24-foot deep garages,” Wedding said. “This allows room for cabinetry on the back wall, shelving units, plus walking room.”

Often, the extra space goes up into the attic, where the second floor height can provide a bonus room for kids, guests, an office, art studio, workout room, and more.

“It’s an extension of your inside living space,” Heil said. “Right now we’re remodeling an existing two-car garage, going up to two stories and making it a three-car garage. It will be a kids’ retreat with a rec room.”

Wedding said that some people use that second floor to store their antique cars, hot rods, and more, and use a car lift to get it up there.

Garage door heights have gotten bigger, too, at least 8 feet instead of the traditional 7 feet. Some are as high as 12 feet now to accommodate the popular truck roof racks.

Garage structures have not only grown in size, they’ve also gotten fancier. “People are spending money in their garages more than they used to,” Heil said. “They’re putting a lot more thought into it. Many of the garages are heated, with TV and surround-sound. People like to hang out there. Thats the ‘sexiness of the third bay.”

Homeowners are sealing the concrete with decorative epoxy paint, insulating, dry walling and painting the walls. “They’re heating the garage and insulating the garage door,” Wedding said.

“People view their garage as more than just parking their car there. There’s a certain entertainment value,” Adam Heil

A.M. Heil Building Company

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INTERESTING, ENTERTAINING, INFORMATIVE.
In The Phantom Menace, Yoda has three toes but in The Empire Strikes Back, Return of the Jedi & Revenge of the Sith, he has four.

The alien species from E.T. makes a quick cameo in The Phantom Menace.

R2-D2 and C-3PO are the only characters that appear in every official Star Wars saga movies.

Jabba the Hutt was originally meant to be a furry creature.

The communicator Qui-Gon Jinn uses is an altered Gillette Sensor Excel women’s razor.

During The Empire Strikes Back’s famous asteroid scene, two of the deadly, hurling asteroids are actually a shoe and a potato.

The sound of the TIE Fighter engines is an elephant call mixed with the sounds of a car driving on wet pavement.

The phrase “I have a very bad feeling about this” is in every single Star Wars movie.

‘N Sync made a cameo in Attack of the Clones at the request of George Lucas’ daughter but didn’t make the final cut.

More Fun Facts

✓ Chewbacca’s voice was created from recordings of walruses, lions, camels, bears, rabbits, tigers and badgers.
✓ Luke Skywalker was almost a girl.
✓ Chewbacca’s fur in The Force Awakens is actually yak belly fur.
✓ Yoda was almost portrayed as a monkey.
✓ Star Wars: Episode I - The Phantom Menace was labeled as “The Doll House” when it shipped to theaters.
✓ The opening text crawl took 3 hours to shoot.
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Scott Fairbanks
Sexton of Fairview Cemetery

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
PRIVATE ROAD SNOW REMOVAL SERVICES

The Charter Township of Fenton invites qualified contractors to submit sealed proposals for snow removal and ice control services on private roads in Fenton Township that are maintained under a special assessment district.

Proposals must be made on the Proposal Form provided by Fenton Township. Additional copies of the proposal forms are available at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan 48430, and online at www.fentontownship.org.

Sealed proposals must be submitted to, and be on file with the Township on or before 2:00 p.m., Thursday November 8, 2018. Any questions should be directed to:

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TYRONE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS
HELD OCTOBER 1, 2018 AT 7:00 P.M.

2. Approved the agenda as amended; removed the Gibson land division request.
3. Approved an easement agreement to allow the installation of a dry hydrant on Wenwood Drive.
4. Approved Resolution No. 2018-34, scheduling a public hearing on the special assessment roll for the North Shore Drive Improvement Special Assessment District.
5. Failed to pass a motion to allow Supervisor Mathis to abstain from voting on the Fire Chief employment agreement due to a perceived conflict of interest.
6. Approved a new employment agreement for Fire Chief Ryan Volz.
7. Approved an additional session of mandatory employment based training for members of the Fenton Township Fire Department.
8. Adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

A complete copy of the minutes of this meeting and any ordinances adopted at the meeting are on file and may be reviewed at the Fenton Township Clerk’s office, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

1. Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.
2. Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
3. Approved invoices and expenditures for payment in the total amount of $459,918.74.
4. After conducting a public hearing on same, adopted Resolution No. 2018-33, confirming the special assessment roll for Little Long Lake Improvement Special Assessment District.
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ROBERT E. KRUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON
BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS
OCTOBER 1, 2018

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FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK
‘Preserved for the right person’

By Vera Hogan

Rick and Terri Sauve have something very special they would like to gift to the “right person.” Rick is hoping that someone he served with in 2010 will come forward to accept a large U.S. flag. He and Terri are moving and can no longer accommodate the flag because of its size.

The reason this flag is special is explained on a certificate Rick received for his service with the 21st Engineer Company while deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, 2009-2010. “On the 16th day of August 2010, this United States flag was flown in the face of the Anti-Afghanistan Forces over the 21st Engineer Company’s Tactical Operation Center at Forward Operating Base Sharana (Sharana District, Paktika Province).”

The flag was presented to Rick in appreciation of his “unwavering and heartfelt support of the 21st Engineer Company while deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, 2009-2010.”

The Sauves say they have “preserved the flag to give to the right person.” That person being someone whom he served and would appreciate it as much as they do.

For more information, please call (313) 670-0616.

Evelyn Dell Bertschy

Evelyn Dell Bertschy, age 84, of Fenton, died Tuesday, October 2, 2018. Funeral services will be held 1 PM Saturday, October 6, 2018 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Pastor Robbie Carnes officiating. Burial in Tyone Memory Garden, Tyone Township. Visitation was held at the funeral home Friday, October 5, 2018 from 2-8 PM and will be Saturday from 12 PM until the time of the service. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Cancer Society or First Presbyterian Church of Fenton.

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• **Lifestyle:** Pet owners’ lifestyles will factor heavily into how much their pets will enjoy their new homes. Men and women who are rarely home should avoid adopting pets that need lots of attention. For example, dogs often adapt best to households where their owners are home a lot and can spend ample time with them. But men and women who aren’t home all that often can still welcome pets into their families. Fish don’t need to be walked or let out to relieve themselves, and they also don’t command their owners’ constant attention.

• **Skills:** Pet ownership can be incredibly rewarding, but it has its frustrating moments as well. For instance, men and women who have never before owned a puppy may be biting off more than they can chew by bringing a young dog into their homes. If you have no experience training puppies or no desire to put up with a puppy’s growing pains, then consider adopting an older dog that is already housebroken.

• **Cost:** Pet ownership can be expensive, and prospective owners should examine their finances to determine if they’re ready and capable of taking on the financial commitments of owning a pet. Research costs associated with food and veterinary care to get an idea of how much owning a given pet is likely to cost.

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**INGREDIENTS**

- 1 can black beans, rinsed & drained
- 1 can kidney beans, drained
- 1 can cannellini beans, rinsed & drained
- 1 green bell pepper, chopped
- 1 red bell pepper, chopped
- 1 cup frozen corn kernels
- 1 red onion, chopped
- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 1/2 cup red wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons white sugar
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1/2 clove crushed garlic
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro
- 1/2 tablespoons ground black pepper
- 1 dash hot sauce pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon chili powder

**DIRECTIONS**

In a large bowl, combine beans, bell peppers, frozen corn, and red onion. In a small bowl, whisk together olive oil, red wine vinegar, lime juice, lemon juice, sugar, salt, garlic, cilantro, cumin, and black pepper. Season to taste with hot sauce and chili powder. Pour olive oil dressing over vegetables; mix well. Chill thoroughly, and serve cold.

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