# The Lowell Ledger 

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# Cooperative effort on community recreation authority could give rise to land conservation issue 

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor
The expected coming together, and approval of content in the recreational district agreement, by the governmental units (city, townships and school) could serve as a foundation to begin work on a much larger and important community issue.

The four units are expected to give their okay on the recreational department concept in the month of May.

Once this happens, the issue can be taken to voters in September when they will be asked to pass both a bond issue to construct a swimming pool and a referendum to support, with millage, a community recreational district.

The district would manage and finance operations of recreation facilities such as a community pool, bike paths, and baseball and soccer fields.

Results of a survey conducted by Gartner and Associates indicated there is support for both a community pool and a recreational district authority.

The survey showed that 36 percent would definitely vote yes to create a recreation authority while 43 percent said they would probably vote yes. There were 14 percent who said they would definitely or probably vote no.

## Along Main Street


"GHOSTS ALONG THE GRAND"
Ghosts Along The Grand is the title of a program to be given by Dr. Carl Bajema at Lowell Township Hall at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 28 . The program will review early Grand River history including former sites of sawmills. riverboat landings and other early Grand River sites.
This program is part of the Lowell Area Historical Association's 1999 program series. Light refreshments will be served following the program.

SOFTBALL! SOFTBALL!
The Lowell Branch YMCA still has openings for the adult summer leagues. Friday men's league starts April 30 ; coed church/open division starts May 3; Tuesday men's over 30 division starts May 4; Wednesday men's division starts May 5 and Thursday men's division starts on May 6.
Call the Lowell YMCA office at 897-8445 now to register your team.

STUDENT/STAFF VARIETY SHOW
The third annual student/staff variety show will be held May 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lowell Performing Arts Center.
Pre-sale tickets are $\$ 3$ and the tickets will be $\$ 4$ at the door The show is sponsored by SADD and the LHS art and drama club.
"BAG-IT-UP" DONATIONS
Goodwill Industries of Greater Grand Rapids will be conducting its 8 th annual "Bag-It-Up" donation drive during the week of May 3-7 at Cherry Creek Elementary in the front parking lot. Large plastic garbage bags of used clothing, toys, books, sports equip., games and other household items may be delivered from 7:30 a.m. to $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. that week.

FREE PRESCHOOL
Lowell High School Child Development class will again be running its annual preschool. It will begin April 26 and run through May 26 on an every other day schedule beginning at 11:20 a.m. until 12:50 p.m. Lunch will be served. Children between the ages of $3-5$ are welcome.

Main Street, cont’d. pg. 8

As to whether they would support a bond issue and operating millage for a pool, those surveyed were asked to respond to two scenarios.

Option A would cost $\$ 6.4$ million to build and $\$ 350,000$ to annually operate and maintain; Option B would cost approximately $\$ 6.9$ million to build and $\$ 375,000$ annually to operate and maintain.

Residents voting definitely or probably yes for Option A numbered 66 percent. As for option B, 60 percent voted either definitely or probably yes.

When asked which pool option they liked best, more than half of the Lowell area residents ( 57 percent) preferred option B, which also included a community center in addition to the swimming pools.

The survey indicates that residents voting no on both pool options did so because they didn't want anymore property axes and because they felt it (pool) was too expensive.
A little over 50 percent ( 56 percent) said they would still support a pool knowing Lowell Area Schools may need to build new facilities in three to five years.

However, when asked if additional property taxes from a community pool, on voting for a bond issue for constructing school facilities, would influence their vote, 64 percent said paying additional property taxes for a new community pool
would not influence how they would vote on any school bond issue for constructing school facilities.

In ranking the most important improvements to Lowell Area Schools, the top three were higher academic standards, smaller class size and more emphasis on preparing students for the workplace.

The approval of a recreational district authority clearly shows the governmental bodies' willingness to work together in a cooperative spirit.

On the heels of this, representatives from all four jurisdictions gathered last week to discuss land conservation.

Issues such as what is most important to preserve, incorporating conservation into local planning and zoning and the use of public and private land conservation tools were discussed by a distinguished panel made up of April Scholtz, director of Land Conservancy of West Michigan; David Guikema, direcLand Conservancy of West Michigan; David Guikema, direc-
tor of Kent MSU Extension Office; Mark Wyckoff, president of Planning and Zoning Center, Inc.; and Jim Fuerstenau, executive director of Michigan Farm Bureau Farm Land Foundation.
"If the Lowell area can come together and cooperate on a planning basis, it will be light years ahead," said Fuerstenau. "You can win if you cooperate - the governmental units that try to be an island by themselves will lose the land use battle.'

## Lowell Area Community Fund awards 30-year, \$3 million grant

.... The grant is for the development of a community pool/recreation center for Lowell area residents.
By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor
Harold Englehardt's unique $\$ 12$ million bequest to the community of Lowell has brought about a unique multiple year grant.

A $\$ 3$ million grant will be payable from the Lowell Area Community Fund over 30 years for the development of a community pool/recreation center for Lowell-area residents.
"Lengthwise, it is by far the longest grant ever approved by the Grand Rapids Foundation," said Marcia Rapp, vice president of programs for the foundation. "Working with the fund is new for us, but it allows us flexibility in how we do

## business because of the small size of the community and the

 ize of the fund.The grant will provide $\$ 100,000$ a year for 30 years ward the operation and maintenance of a community pool.
The money, though, is contingent upon township, city nd school approval, as well as voter approval of a millage and additional private contributions.
The grant also hinges on the creation of a recreational uthority to operate and maintain the pool. The recreational authority would represent leadership from the city of Lowell, Vergennes and Lowell townships and Lowell Area Schools.
The poollcommunity center facility will cost $\$ 6.9$ milion to build and $\$ 375,000$ a year to operate and maintain.

Rapp said five areas are looked at when considering a nultiple year grant.
"We look at need, the feasibility, who's involved, vision and community support," Rapp explained.

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## LPD to place special emphasis on M-21 detour route speed limits

By J.N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer
Drivers attempting to get around the M-21 construction area may want to keep an eye on their speed.

UnlikeM-21, many of the alternative routes, such as Bowes Road, Sibley Street and Valley Vista, are 25 miles per hour. The paralleling stretch of M-21 is 45 and 35 miles per hour, depending on the location. Closer to downtown, the speed does drop to 25 miles per hour

And just in case you might be thinking of speed-
ing up, the Lowell Police Department will be putting extra attention on these roads during the construction season.
"There is more and more traffic on Bowes Road and there have been a lot more complaints about speeding," said police chief Jim Valen tine. "The construction has provided even more traffic to that area. In response, we are just trying to keep a check on the area.'

While all of Bowes Road is being patrolled, specialemphasis has been placed on Bowes Road, east of Valley

Vista Dr. to Hudson Street because it is a residential area Of course, the biggest problem for motorists is at tempting to head east when
exiting from the shopping center where Family Fare is located. The options are to head west on $\mathrm{M}-21$, make left on Bowes Road and head Detour, cont'd. pg. 8

## Communtty Calendar

CROP Walk, Sunday, May 2 at $1 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The walk begins at the Flat River Outreach Ministries Building.

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ObITUARIES


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ICNB matches popcorn revenue donation to Showboat

 27. Donations from commu-
nity members eating bags of
popcorn totaled $\$ 100$. 1 NB is matching the funds for a
total contribution of $\$ 200$. "ICNB is a strong supporter of our community",
said Jennifer Uphaus Lowell office manager. "This was a
great opportunity for comLow
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Nominations being accepted for LACC person of the year



## Viewpoint


cozy corner
by Roger Brown
I'm off to traffic school again. If these people don't stop
driver.
Irripe, carp and complain in this space every time I receive a tratfict ticket. It may seem that is pretty often. It may seem the
last of the matter is, I hadn't been written up in well over two years.
That ticket was in Florida, and 1 went $t$ t traffic school to have the points absolved. As of this writing I have no points on $m y$
driving record. Im sure youre impressed. The insurance company is inpmesssed. State law enforcered.ent ane incuraies are
impressed. I'm impressed. Heck, my wife is even impressed. I knew it wast to good.t. lost. Being a self.f-fulfiling prophen
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stopping in front of me. .hel list goes on, but that should be enough of a sampling to to give you an idea why I think they' re
trying to oovince me ema poor river.
The latest addition is improper backing. Here's what hap-. $\underset{\substack{\text { pened. } \\ \text { Terese } \\ \text { a }}}{ }$
Terese and I were in Key West last Friday outputting our
publication to negatives at the service bureau we use. About pulicacion to negatives at hes eervice bureau we use. About
mid-afternoon we had the negatives packaged up and on an
airplane to the printers in Miami. Time to ruu sone errads airplane to the printers in Miami. Time to cur some errands.
Terese unns 48 this week. That means frequent trips to the eye Terese turns 48 his. week. That means frequent tripst to the eye
doctor, and that was one of our stops. Me... at 49 I 1 still have
the eves of an eagle. And Clinton did not have sex with that woman. Miss LLewinky.
The waiting roon at he eye doctor's office was a zoo. The
seating was limited so Terese excused me to wait in the car. I
 happily sipping my tea and reaiding. Agood har an an hour later,
Terese shows up. She gets settled into her seat, hook it into


## To The Editor

Dear Editor:
This isin
section.
The Lowell Showboat is in better condition now than it has
been
 the structure to be sound.
The appearance was very bad because of the lack of paint.
The boat had never been completely scraped and painted since louilitit 9 years aoo. The cedar gunwall boards and many trim
pieces needed to be replaced. pieces needed to be replaced.
repaine fall of of 97.1 removed the paddlewheel. scraped and
red. repainted it red. 1 . 1 request for a maintenance grant from the
Englehard Fund was submitted and a very generous $\$ 10.000$
was granted.
With the help of many students from the Lowell High School Student Council and the 1999 graduating class, the boa
was completely scraped and 60 gallons of white, 25 gallons o grey, 15 gallons of black and 5 gallons of red paint were put on
the boat: During th summer of 98 , about 80 Lowell teens enjoyed
Monday night dances on the showbot tsag.. When they
finished for the year, they had $\$ 401.50$ in their treasury. The finished for the year. they had $\$ 401.50$ in their treasury. They
donated the entire $\$ 401.50$ to the Lowell Showboat to buy
donaled the e
more paint
TheLook
The Look fund gave a grant of six sets of colored lights, an
a light sensitive swith so the boat could be lit at night Thes a inght sensitive switch so the baat coulc be iif ar ingh. These
lights are maintained and changed for the seasons by myself
and dim Hall.
The Lowell City Council, Lowell Chamber of Commerce,
Lowell City Service Departments. Lowell Light \& Power
Lowell C City Service Departments, Lowell Light \& Power
Company, along with King Milling Company, have alway
been extremely supportive and co-operative inevery effort
been extremely supporit.
maintain the Showboat.
and a row of straight-in parking facing the litele strip mall. We
were in anpace facing the stret. Unnoticed y me a a axicab
had pulled upalong the row of cars directly behind had pulled up along the row of cars directly behind me. He left
the car parked, in a traffic lane, with the engine running, to go
 driver's side of his car were about 15 feet apart.
theme music should be laying rightabut now.
The cab driver could not have parked his big,




 right for traffic and watching my front bumper on the car next
to me so would know when to start my turn. All of this was
accomplished at a very cautious speed, almost a crawl. I am
 a good driver.
Onceclear
 about the yame ume Ifelt tand heard the thump. The left corner
of ry rear bumper had bumped the cab in the left rear door.
There of my rear bumper had bumped the cab in the left rear door.
There was no damage to my wife's car but there was dent in
the cab door to add to the serioisus collection of dents, crapesi the cab door to add to the serious collection of dents, scrapes
and scrathes on the old piece of junk. The cabbie rushed out
of the litie onf the litthe strip mall to iningect the damage. Based on
reaction you'd have hought it was a new Bentley.
He raviod hhe tisper He radioed his dispatcher to send nanother rabey. for his fare
and call the police. I was suck. Afew minutes later, one of Key and csal's hinest, mounted on a Kawasaki, pulled up. The cabbie
Wend and I explained what happened, and the copstarted writing. He
filled outanaccident reportas we stood by to answerquestions. filled outanaaccidentreportas we stood by toanswer questions.
Then he whips out tisticketook and egins writing me up or
improper backing. My reaction was sa Homer Simpson so
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propert property, so he can't do a hing about the cab illegally parked
and abandoned directly behind my vehicle. All he can do is

 but ins tithree points excessive?"' He tells me Florida has the
siffest traffic laws in hte nation behind only New Jersey. That
made me feel lots better. The only good thing about Florid's's traffic law system is
"Traffic School." You can attend raftic school. and the points te best
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pumped out again in the spring. This year. it it takin me a
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 Which is a process that causes the rivets to c .
But it will son se floatng proully again.
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nity.

## Deara Editor: Boy Scout

## Ho for helping with our food drive. We collected 15 bass of

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Abe McIntire
Marar Johnson
Justin Stallings

## Dear Editor:

I. along with Virginia Heydenburg in her leterertoyou in the
April 14 Ledger, also would dike to know why those of us who Ive to the west of the city of Lowell have NO advanced
warning system in place. There are a large number of people who live in this area. I have never been aware of any warning other than what I get
from TV, a weather radio, or aregular AM/FM radio, and these
 Last night, April 21 , the weather radio went off in the
middle of the night for Kalamazoo, Michigan, for severe middle of the night for Kalamazoo, Michigan, for severe
weather. That is atioutofourarea, ddobelieve and happens
regularly when there is dangerous weather in the whole weather. That is atit out of our area,. Ido believe, and happens
regularly when there is dangerous weather in the whole
western part of the state.
every two years. It has been a litte over two for me, so I m
enrolled on May 18 m I I don't care how many tickets I've received - when the traffic school instructor calls for a s show my hands on how we students rate ourselves on a 1 to 10 s scale, y hand is going up in the 8 to 10 group.
So, the morn to So, the moral to this story is... Maybe, just maybe, old
Eyes Like An Eagle" will make an appointment with an eye


125 YEARS AGO IN THE
LOWELL WEEKLY JOURNAL - APRIL 'Samuel Phelps is the young man's name who had his This issue contains the general laws passed by the state The Mississisppi has flooded five million acres in Louisiana, and is rising.
"Rather wet and dry and muggy-hot and chilly. We don't se how folks can live where they can't depend on the 100 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - APRIL 27,1899
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ALTO SOLO - APRIL 25,1924 Pat Bowes is not re-appointed marstal due to a legal
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The Lowell Senior High School vocal department suge Guys and Dolls" for three eerfoom vocales. department stages
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ear meeting increased expenses



Given the horrific events in Colorado last week, should the parents of the two boys be held accountable at some level?


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Box 224 Lowell. Ml .

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ny accidents due to the con- $\mathrm{M}-21$ well into September.

## ZBA approves lot coverage variance

 for Crawford's farm market

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Restructuring of cable television management leaves board's future in limbo

By J.N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer


Lowell Township votes "no" on gypsy moth program
been responsible for that department". Pasquale said. "I have
been involved in reviewing it and the (Light and Power! superintendent has reviewed it. By having onene person manag
it we hope to make the department more focused it. we hope to make the department more focused."
Actualy it washt
unt director of Cable TV Sevrices that the issue of who wa
directly responsible for overseeing the department came directly responsible for overseeing the department came to
surface. Pasquale and Light and Power superintendent Ron Surface. Pasquale and Light and Power superintendent Ron
Hoclomb, with the aid of Richards, were charged with taking
a look at who should be the look at who should be the manager of the department.
The report concluded that the best person to oversee the The report concluded that the best person to oversee the
 well as operationally, and one administrator would allow fo
uniformity, avoiding confusion by customers and employee By Jeffrey Redmond
Contributing Writer

## leaf defoliation, especially in oak trees, was considered

The gypsy moth caterpil-
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the last part of May and into
June. The caterillars spin

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Richards will still be in charge of the day-to-day oper
the department, but now will report to Holcomb. To create a clearer direction and oniformity y in policies.
the three-memberLowell Light and Power Board will assume the three-member Lowell Light and Power Board will assume
the dutues of policy-making for the Cable TV department. As to what will happen to the Lowell Cable TV Boart, Pascuale
said that is still under review. Cne possibility wuld b to said that is still under review. One possibility would be to
make the board a a advisory board to Light and Power: another make the board an advivory board do Light and Power. another
option would be to terminate it. The Cable TV Board has five
members. members.
for "onsolidating the number of boards that make decisions
the city counder consideration, Pasauale said.adding be that the city council will be the final decision maker on any
changes.




Crawford, cont'd.... From Page 8
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## LOWELL SCHOOL BOARD BRIEFS

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 STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT


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Choice program and opt inoto the Kent County Choice plan for he 1999-2000 school year.

CONSENT ITEMS.

March 8. 1999 Regular meeting minutes

 HEADLEE UNDERFUNDING $51,015.00$
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- Resignations from Jill VanA Anwerp and Carol Stormzand
effective at the end of the school year
- Ender




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 BOARD CANDIDATES

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SOCIAL STUDIES CREDIT INCREASE - Jim White

 NEW HIGH SCHOOL COURSE OFFERINGS -
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> UPCOMING MEETINGS: Board Financelersinone Committee



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Lowell High School third marking period honor roll



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Bulk candy, crafts, fabric, yarn, crochet thread, collectibles, $1 / 2$ price greeting cards, toys, stationery, household \& hardware items. $1 / 2$ price greeting cards, toys, stationery, household \& har
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|  |  | old Schwarzenegger，Austin O＇Brien，F．Murriay | ＂A Brother＇s Kiss＂$\star \star \star$（1997，Drama）Nick Chinlund，Michael Raynor，Cathy Moriarty．Two East Harlem brothers follow different paths in life following atraumatic childhood experience．（In Stereo）＇R＇（Adult language，strong sexualcontent，violence） |  |  | ＂Drunks＂$\star \star$ ¹／2（1995；Drama）Richard Lewis，Faye Dunaway，Calista Flournart．A diverse group of people reveal their struggles with the bottleduring a meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous．（In Stereo）＇R＇（Adult languag en adult situations） |  |  |


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east of Montcalm Ave. To check meeting dates and
cose times please call, $897-1$
5015 for a recorded message. Guests are wel-
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FIRST MONDAY: Fellow-
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FOURTH MONDAY OF
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E. Main St at $p$.m.
EVERY 1sT MONDAY:
V.F.W. Post 8303 meets
at the v.F.W. Cubroom,

307 E. Main St. Lowel at
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Mobile Home Mobile Home Park Com-
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at $5: 45$ p.m.
TUESDAYS: Flat Rive Woodcarvers are meeting p.m. New members wel
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FouRTH SUES.: Qua-K
meets, 8 p. m. at the Club
meets, $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at the Club Road, Lowell.
EVERY FOURTH TUES Showboat Board meeting,
7 p.m. at the Flat River Antique Mall.
Every second tues Lowell Masonic Lodg regular meeting, $7: 30$ p.m.
atthe Masonic Center, 119 Lincoln Lake, Lowell.
Masons are welcome. EVERY TUES.: Lad Coffee Break Bible study
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Church acrosstrom Burge Church across from Burge
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information call $897-6462$ or $897-7555$.
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a74 at $874-5662$.
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meetingat Aquinas College in the classroom building
(at the far end of the parking lot) on Woodward, just south of Fulton in room
109. For information call Ann at 949-8537.
WEDNESDAY: Rollaway
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55 and over.
WEDNESDAYS: 8 p.m ALANON meets at Lowe

FIRST WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH: Alzhe imers Support Groupmeets
at $6: 30$ p.m. at Cumber
land Retirement Village.
Phone $897-9310$ for information. EVERY SECOND WEDNESWomen's club meets at noon in the community
room at Schneider Manor, room at Schneid
725 Bowes Rd.

## SECOND WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH: 2 to

 p.m., Family Council fortheLaurels of Kent Nursing Laurels of Kent Nursing
Home. This is yo voluteer group formed to enhance the quality of life for all the
residents. Interested persons are welcome to meet
in the Activity
Room, Wing

EVERY
FOURTH unteers needed to participate in the
Intergenerational Program with school age children
from Lowell in many differentseasonalactivities. Two times available: $9: 45$ to
$10: 45 \mathrm{a}$ a or $12: 45$ to $1: 45$ p.m. Call Sister Colleen Ann Nagle, F.S.E. at the Fran-
ciscan Child Development Center, 897-7842.
EVERY WEDNESDAY: p.m. at the Helping Hands p.m. at the Helping Hands
Child Care Center, 1188 Lincoln Lake R.d. This support and recovery progran
is for all adults experienc in tral aduatis experienc-
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For more information, call (616) 897-6890

THURSDAYS - Take Nounds Sensibly Tops MI, every Thursday yevening at the Saranaac Public Libray.
Weigh-ins at $6: 45$ p.m.
thursdays: Weig Watchers meets in Lowell at the Lowell Congrega-
tional Church, 404 N Hudson, at 7 p.m. Regis-
ration is a half hour before tration is a half hour before
and after meetings. New members are invited tojoin atanytime. Question
$1-800-651-6000$.
EVERY THURS. Center, 402 Amity St, non-denominational-help for pregonant women and dado
lescentsatheschol 11 a.m. -3 p.m. and
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lated topics, creatier related topics, creative and
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skills. Meetings held onc a month at Lowell Middle School choir room. For
more information call 897 . more information call 89 .
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FIRST AND THIRD EVERY FIRST FRIDAY: THURSDAY: The Alto Li-
ons Club meets at Dari's at 7 p.m.
EVERY 2ND THURS.: EVERY 2ND THURS.:
N.A.R.F.E. meets 1:30..m.
at Trinity at Trinity Lutheran Church,
2700 E. Fulton. EVERYSECONDTHURS-
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at $3: 30$ p.m. at the V.F.W.

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Lowell. Dinnerat $6: 30$ p.m.
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Ada, Cascade \& Lowell meets at 630 p p... fow so-
cializing with meeting 7 cializing with meeting at 7
p.m. Motherto mothersupport for pregnant \& breastfeeding women.
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THIRD THURSDAY OF
EACHMONTH: Fellowship
EACHMOTH: Fellowship
of Chistian Athletes (FCA)
meets in the high school
cafeteria during seminar
time for planning sessions

## for activities.

FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACHMONTH: Fellowship meets at 7 a.m. in high
school teachers dining
Forinformation concerning
FCA call K Kis Gallagher at
$676-1355$ or Linda Johnson
THIRDTHURS. OF EACH
MONTH: West Mich. Parents of Murdered Children
cide (POMC) at Trinity
United Methodist Church,
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1100 Lake Drive SE, Grand
Rapids, 7 pme Discovery
Rm. Contact Danni Smith,
EvERY FRIDAY: Respite
day care for the elderly.
agingperson from 9 a.m.to
4 p.m. Call Sister Darlene
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ment Center, $897-7842$.
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SAT., MAY 1: Swiss steak
dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. at Bowne Center United
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of 84 th St. \& Alden Nash,
Alto. Adults, $\$ 6$; children 6 Alto. Adults, $\$ 6$; children 6 .
$12, \$ 3 ; 5 \&$ under, free.

## MON., MAY 3: The Low

UON., MAY 3: The Lowell
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Mother-Daughter dessert
tea at $6: 30$ p.m. with pro-
gram following. Tickets: 12

MON.: 8:30 a.m. Walk-
ing, Woodland Mall.
a.m...Exercise (1st UMC)
WED. WED.: $12: 45$ p p.m. Sho
ping assistance.

THURS.,APRIL 29:3:30
p.m., Senior Neighbor's
board meeting at Lowell.

MON., MAY 3: $12: 30$
p.m., Shopping- Meijers.
WED., MAY 5: 8
Men's breakfast.
WED., MAY 5:9:30 a.m
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by April 29, please call
Phyllis Bieriat $877-8258$ or Phyllis Bier ia 897 -8258 or
Doris Ellis at $897-8870$.
WED.,MAY5:TOTSmor ingor., evening preschooler celebrating springprojects.
10-11 a am. or $6: 30-7: 30$ p.m. in TOTS room, 300
High St. Call Kathy Cole TOTS Coordinator, 897 .
TOTS
B415 for reservations. 8415 for reservations.
Workships are free but Workships are
THURS., MAY 6: Ver-
gennes Cooperative Club gennes Cooperative Club
will meet at Schneider Manor at 1 p.m. Hostesses
are Esther Clemenz Briggs and Emma Herron Program - South Wyoming
UMWK LMW Kitchen Band. Spon-
sor: Esther Clemenz. Members are askedtobring
items for the food bank.
WED., MAY 12: Snow will serve afamily style beef

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES
LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR

Special Event


WED., MAY 19:
p.m., White Caps.

THURS., MAY 6:11:50
a.m. Dress rehearsal "La
Bohéme"

FRI., MAY 7: 11 a.m
Rockford, Squire Stree
Square.
MON., MAY 10: 7
a.m., Soaring Eagle.
WED., MAY 12: 12
Movie "Swing Time
Movie "Swing
Rogers/Astaire.
THURS., MAY 13: $12: 15$
p.m., Dance - Westside
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FRI., MAY $28: 12$ p.m.
Potuck \&Center shower.
FRI., MAY 21: 10 a.m.,"
Shall Not Be Moved
Turkeyville, dinner play.
MON., MAY 24: $12: 3$
p.m... Shop DaW Mal.

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## PERFECT PAIRING

-••• Lowell's baseball and softball teams have remained perfect through the non-league part of their schedules. Both teams have used solid pitching, and abundance of hitting and strong defensive play in posting unbeaten records thus far. Both clubs will close out the non-conference portion of their schedules this week before embarking on league games against Hastings and Zeeland


Stouffer and Omness take first at Hastings


Troubles managing bad holes hurt girls' golf team

## By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledper Editor

## Lowell Ledger Editor

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Lowell girls golf coach Rick
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240 and Central came home
Amber Kuipers led
Lowell with a 55 . Laura



Red Arrows edged by Hastings in girls' soccer

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor


## Lowell High School spring sport team pictures



Members of he varsity basebalt team for the 1999 spring season are pictured front and, coach Pete Bush; second row, left to to right: Chariie Schutte, Brady Fomen, Tre, Keith Valentine, Andy Pettinga, Brandon Drier, Brent Lyons, Bryce McMahon, back row, left Valenine, Andy Geraham, Dustin Gless, Bill Sanborn, Jim Gilchrist, Shane Teelander,
torigh: Andy
Steve VanLaan and T.J. Thayer.


Members of the varsity softball team for the 1999 spring season are pictured fron Angie DeWit, Rachael Fredline back row, left tor right: Coach Bob Rodenhouse, Stace Angie Dewit, Rachael Fredine; back row, left to right: Coach Bob Rodenhouse, Stacey
Kinyon, Anie Zalokar, Amy Snell, Jamie Widder, Amy Smit, Becky Brander, Andrea
Rickert, Courtney Heduund.
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spring season are pictured front row, teft to right: Bran
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second row, left t toright: Brian Fitzpatrick, Austin Krieg
Derrick Harmon, Mike Wierena, Trawis Devoid, Derrick Harmon, Mike Wierenga, Travis De Yoid, Corey
Perdaris, Kurt Teman, Frank Kirsch, Nathan Brandner Perdaris, Kurt Telman, Frank Kirsch, Nathan Brandner;
third row, left to right: Jeff Ortwski, Nick DeZ waan, Jeff
, Pfaller, Mark Maatman, Kevin Huisman, Jon Wiering
Jason Hill, Brent Joling, Joe Giuliano, Bob Ford, Neil Jason Hill, Brent Joling, Joe Giuliano, Bot Ford, Neil
Reimbold, coach Nool ean; back row, left or right: Coach
Neith Keith Boeve, Aaron Randolpph, Josh, Manion, Myan Mix
Zach Stauffer, Bill Wiering, Andy Inbody, Adam Zach Stauffer, Bill Wiering, Andy Inbody, Adam
Billingsley, Brad Spoelman, Mike Williams, Allen Biillingsley, Brad Spoelman, Mike Williams, Allen
Meternick, Eric Stornzand, Chris Huizinga, Steve Lux
Mike Suman Ben Grummet, Kirk, Johnson and manager Mike Suman, Ben Grummet, Kirk Johnson and manager
Josh Griffin.



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Members of the girls varsity golf team for the 1999 spring season are pictured fron row, left to right: Kate Gunberg, Lisa LaHaye, Callie Boyce, Jackie Cress; bac
to right: Amber Kuipers, Liz Baker, Laura LaHaye and coach Rick White.


Members of the girls varsity soccer team for the 1999 spring season are pictured fron oow, Amber Petersent; second row, left to right: Jenny Wagner, Abbey Goff, Beth
arabee, Sarah Kenworth, Andrea Baker, third row, left to right: Melissa Wingeier Courtney Baker, Ceili Cowan, Jamie Smith, Heather Posthumus, Kelly Chapman,
Kristen Wysocki, Britany Plescher; back row, left to right: manager Bob Shindorf, Laura Horssole, Sara Soyka, Kara Tousley, Becky Raymor, Brandi Schaefer, Elissa


LHS spring sport team pictures


Members of the junior varsity softball team for the 1999 spring season are pictured Aront row, left to right: C Caach Melissa Kalkstein, Heather Sterzick, Amanda Eickhorf,
Christie Anderson,Amanda Brown,Sarah Blanchard, Heather Delamar, Katiestanford; back row, left toright: Stacey Everett, Ashlley Rickert, Casey Weber, Becky Yeo, Theresa


Members of the freshman softball team for the 1999 spring season are pictured front
ow, left to right: Katie Blough, Renee Fox, Jade Widder, Anna Komeian, Amanda row, left to right: Katie Blough, Renee Fox, Jade Wilder, Anna Komejan, Amanda
Shinaver, Erin Barnes, Lacey Capen; back row, eft to tright, are: Coach Tammie Dent, Shinaver, Erin Barnes, Lacey Capen; back row, left to right, are: Coach Tammie Dent,
Sonya Swab, Amanda Lonick, Justin Stanford, Amanda VanSpronsen, Shelby Tomczak nd Brittany Huisman.


Fastbreak On Springbreak
 training. Parent representatives Terry and Marilyn Conley were trip planners and
organizers. The players spent their mornings on the baseball diamonds practicing coach 1 Tim Antel's fastbreak approach to baseball.

Along with intense baseball workouts, players were able to take in the sun,, sand and | scenery of Gulf Shores. They also spent an afternoon of golfing, an evening at an |
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| anusement park and an afternoon in Pensacola, FL, visiting the U.S. Naval Air | Museum. O Eatser morning, the group gathered on the beach to have an Easter service to

remember the importance of the day. This service vas followed by a remember the importance of the day. This service was followed by a huge breakfas
cooked by the chaperone dads. The baseball team extended an invitation to both the cooked by the chaperone dads. The baseball team extended an inviation to both the
Lowel softbil team and the Lakewoos softbal team to jin them for an Easter feast.
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made the trip possibl in any way, from the chaperones, cooks driver and coaches | $\begin{array}{l}\text { made the trip possible in any way, from the chaperones, cooks, drivers and coaches to } \\ \text { those e the community who contributed to the team's fundraisers throughout this past } \\ \text { year. }\end{array}$ |
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## To The Editor

 Soitis my impression that at least two of your readers feelthat it is an important enough safety isule and that the neighthat it is an important enough safety issue and that the neigh-
boring population would be well served to have the peace of boring popplation would be well served to have the peace of
mind of a least one and maybe two warning systems serving
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Alzheimer's disease is a common condition affecting the Alzheimer's disease is a common condition affecting the
elderly Approximaty 1 in 3 persons over the afe of 85 will
develop develop the disease. It can affect people ay young as age 40 , but
it is more common by age 75 . The disease causes damage to it is more common by age 15 . The disease causes damage to
several parts of the brainin tis is ot due to strokes or hadening
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onow exacly why some people
 envionmental conditions may play a role in the disease
process.
The first sign of Alzheimer's disease is difficulty with
. memory. Some people may have trouble tinding the right
wordo diffifulty finishing asentence or thought Activities
of daily living can also be involved. The person may have
. trouble with directions or may get lost when drivinina a familiar
route. Early in the disease the affected person may not even know they are having problems. Family members may notice
that they aren't thinking straight or having trouble remember-

 Ioved one.
There is no specific test for the diagnosis of Azzheimer's. Therer is no specific test for the diagnosis of Alzheimer's.
Instea, ahistory and physical exam along with lab ests and
X-rays, are used to toule out other causes of dementia.
 Altheimer's disease. There are some medications which may
help slow the mentil ceterioration tor s short time in some
patients. The family can help by keeping simple routines at patients. The family can help by keeping simple routines at
home and minimizing possible hazards. Often very difficult home and minimizing possible hazards. Often very difficult
discussions need tobe made about driving orallowing a oved
one to stay at home. One to tsay at home.
Support and information for families with Alzheimer's disease is available by
at $1-800-222-3900$.

Be a friend to thyself, and others will be so too.
He who is in love with himself has at least this He who is in love with imserf has anterast
advantage-he wont encounter many rival.
-George Christoph Lichtenberg
 Light The Nation With Celeleration May 6, 1999

## NATIONAL

 DAYOF PRAYER PRAYERDear Edito
Iam not sure how or who to address this leterer, regarding
the letter to the C City Commission of Lowell
las weet He leter to the Cliy Commisision of Lowell last week.
Sir last fall 1 watched this boat you called an eysore be

 and the senior class of Lowell, this beautiful boat would still
be deterioraraing in front of our yes. Ther is not a week that
goes by you wont tind Mr. Blough working on something on goes by you
the bant
Mr. Pott
Mr. Poter, the water was lowered three weeks ago to fix
the pontoon but unforunately it did not hold, ahd I bet Mr.
Bloubhislen
 the water level again to try to fix this on his own time.
Mr. Blough, the boat looks outstanding and on behalf of the whole community, I Iovuld dikite o o opoliogize for anyone
calling the Showboat an eyesorer. If anythin, this leter has calling the Showbaat an eyesore. If anything, this leterer has
motivated me to pick up the phone and ask Mr. Slough if he could use my help. Anyone else?

| Dear Editor: |
| :---: |
| Littleton. |

Kosovo, lying from
 and see mow tand emotions these days. When we look around
why does it shock us so? why does it shock us so?
The Declaration of Independence states that we are en
dowed by our Creator with certain unalienable Rights, thia
 must firs our reconaion to ore-establish itsel as a a great nation, we
created ty Hy His hand. "And Anty of God our Creator-man wa created by His hand. "And the Lord God formed man of the
dust of the eround, and breathed dist of the ground, and breated into his nostilis $t$,
life; and man became al living soul." Genesis $2: 7$ ?

## TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN

 public notice is hereby given that on May 5, 1999, at 7:30 p.m., the Planning Commission of the Township of Grattan will hold a public hearing at the GrattanTownship Hall, 12050 Old Belding Road, within the Township, concerning the application of Donald G. Lehman and Marcia K. Lehman for a special land use so as to permit the use of a non-
conforming lot for all uses permitted in the R-L Lake Residential District, where such non-conformity is by reason of a lot area less than 7,500 square feet and upon other grounds, under Section 4.04 of the Zoning Ordinance. The special land use construction and use of a single-family dwelling on lands commonly described as 5285 Pointview Court and legally described as follows:
That part of Lot 10 of Pointview Plat, a recorded plat, described as corner of Lot 9 ; thence N $35^{\circ} 30^{\prime}$ W 87.70 feet along the extended Easterly line of Lot 9 ; thence $S 55^{\circ} 35^{\prime}$ 'W75 feet,
more or less, to the shore line of Big more or less, to the shore line of Big Crooked Lake; thence Southerly
along said shore line to the Northerly along said shore line to the Northerly
line of Lot 9 ; thence Northeasterly along said Northerly line to beginning, Sections 20,21 and 29 ,
Town 8 North, Range 9 West, Grattan Town 8 North, Range 9 West, Grater
Township, Kent County, Michigan.

All interested persons may attend the public hearing and be heard with regard to the requested special land use. Written comments may be submitted prior to the hearing, to the Township office, 12050 48809 , prior to the public hearing.
ens from the Lowell area for a time of praise to our God and prayer for our government leaders, families, churches and communities!

Dated: April 26, 1999
PLANNING COMMISSION OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN

The Lowell Ledger-Wednesday, April 28, 1999-fage We are endowed by Him, the Declaration states, He gives
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commanments and pull them of the wall of public place commandments and pull them off the wall of public places
because enhesmptoms of ours ociety's moral free fall are all
around us, we are compelled to seek Godds Jation.
Next Thurssay, May 6,1999 , jse
 will be held a the Riverwala from 12 noon to 12.3 p p.m. We
would encourage all the a itizens of this community to ojoin us
prayer for our nation in prayer for our nation.
Sirirey Dobson, chairman of the National Day of Prayer ask Force, writes. "I believe that only the power of prayer
can change America's destructive course. That is why our
and Liemo for 1999 is so critical. The Task Force is calling you to
Light Nhe Nation. with rayer. You are the light of the
 It it on its stand and it gives light to everyone in the house.
Mathew 5 Pell-15
Perhaps those of you who believe in Jesus Christ have
 out and puty your light on it stand, so sogether we can give ligh
oour whole nation once again.
National Day of Prayer Task For


## CITY OF LOWELL

## PUBLIC NOTICE

ATtENION CITY OF LOWEL WATER CUSTOMERS
The Department of Public Works will
conduct a hydrant flushing program of the conduct a hydrant flushing program of the
complete water system. Flushing west of the Flat River will occur the week of May 10-14, and east of the Flat River will be undertaken the week of May 17-2

## LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP

PUBLIC NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF A SPECIAL USE APPLICATION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Lowell Charter Township Plannin

Monday, May 10, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. at the L.
2910 Alden Nash, S.E.
At this hearing, the following described property which generally lies at Woodfern and Berrywood in Eastgate in the Woods
$(41-20-05-388-005,006,007$ and 008 ) will be considered for a special use permit to allow the building of homes with septic sewage systems and to
condominium plans.

The special use permit application and the Lowell Township Zoning Ordinance are available for public inspection at the
Township Hall during regular office hours. Please call $897-7600$ for further information.

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Softball, contd.....
From Page 24
SARANAC PRESCHOOL Is now accepting ear olds for fall 1999
We will be having orientation
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Please feel free to call with any questions or for information. Sue Hendrick • 642-6235


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was the clincher. Seif led the way at the plate with four hits, including
a double and a triple. Rickert contributed with therehitsand
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and Brander each collected two hits. One of Fredlined
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Lowell's Stace Liowelis Stacey Kinyon
picked up the win. She al.
lowed four runs on e eight hits while walking two and strik-
ing out five. "Stace: pitched a good
game insome ititer cold con-
ditions," Rodenhouse said.


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of a dwelling and other authorized residential land use on a non of a dwelling and other authorized residential land use on a non-
conforming parcel of land in the R-L Lake Residential District. The special land use covers the lands commonly described as 7318 Wimpole and legally described as follows:
Lot 49 and that part of Lot 57 , described as: Commencing at a point 108 feet North of the Southwest corner of the said Lot 57 on the West line of said lot; thence Northwest on the West line of said lot along the shoreline 20 feet; thence in a Northeasterly
direction to the West line of willow Drive to a point 128 feet Northwest of the Southeast corner of said lot; thence in a Southeasterly direction along the West line of said Willow Drive 13 feet; thence in a Southwesterly direction to the West line of said lot and the point of beginning of Byrne Park, Big Pine
Island Lake, according to the recorded plat thereof, and also Island Lake, according to he recorded pial inerel,
that part of Lot 50 of Byrne Park, Big Pine Island Lake, a recorded plat, described as commencing at the Southwest corner of said lot; thence North along the West line of said Lot 1 foot; thence Northeasterly to the Northwest corner of Lot 28 of said subdivision; thence Southerly along the East line of the said Lot 50 to the Northeast corner of beginning, Grattan
subdivision; thence Westerly to the place of ber Township, Kent County, Michigan.

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Dated: April 26, 1999

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