

# The Lowell Ledger

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## Next step in Timpson's recovery phase begins at home

... John Jay Timpson, who suffered serious injuries in a motorcycle accident on Sept. 26, was released from the hospital on Saturday. It will take five-eight months before he is expected to walk again.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
 Lowell Ledger Editor

It was one of those beautiful fall Sunday afternoons in West Michigan.

It was also a typical fall afternoon in the middle of the apple harvest season at Timpson Orchards Inc. "We work seven days a week this time of year," said company vice president John Timpson Jr.

The sunny weather and a call from a friend influenced Timpson to shut down Timpson Orchards that afternoon in favor of a bike ride with some friends.

"I was going to meet with a group at 2:30 to go for a ride," Timpson explains.

Driving his Harley Davidson bike, Timpson negotiated the first of two small curves approaching the bridge on Burroughs.

As he leaned the bike into the second curve, the bike's floor pan caught the roadway causing Timpson to lose control and skid into the path of an on-coming Jeep, according to Kent County Sheriff Department deputy Don Hamilton.

Timpson suffered two broken legs, two compound femurs, two compound tibias and fibulas, torn up muscles, a broken right hip, and a crushed pelvis.

"I've ridden a bike my entire life and this is the first time I've laid a bike down," Timpson explained from his hospital bed at Metropolitan Hospital.

Timpson spent the first 10-14 days at Spectrum Health Downtown Campus. While there, he underwent three surgeries (a combined 20-22 hours).

The first surgery came on the day he arrived. That night rods were inserted into his femurs and an exterior brace was put on his lower left tibia.

Two days later, Timpson had major surgery (seven-eight hours) on his hip and pelvis. Doctors also checked for infection in his lower left tibia.

On Thursday, Sept. 30, Timpson underwent a third and final surgery... this time to put a rod up through a tibia, muscle relocation and a skin grafting.

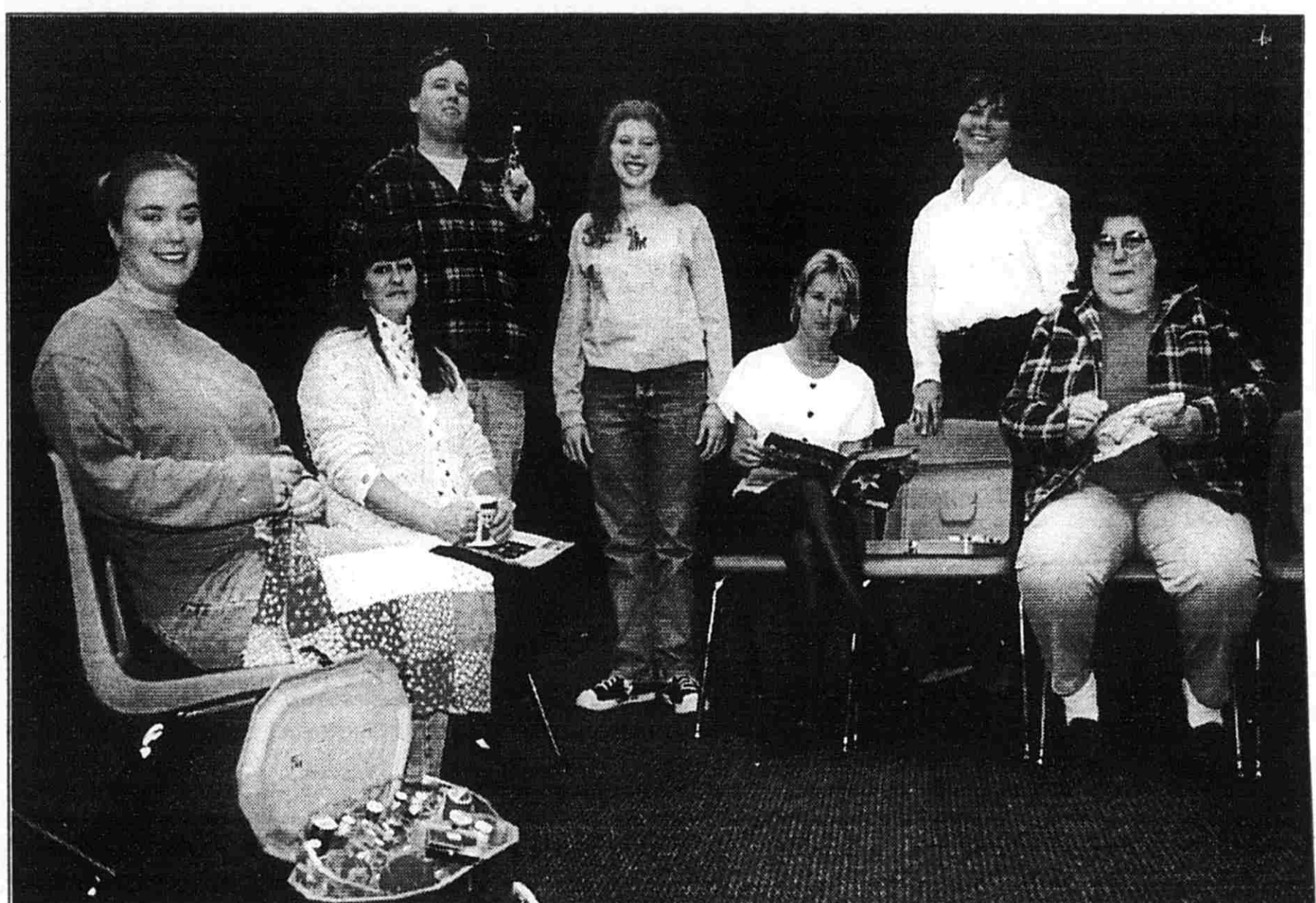
Timpson, his wife Colleen and their three children Katie, Emily and Elizabeth are grateful that the accident wasn't fatal and that he didn't incur any spine or head injuries.

"Lowell Rescue had an unbelievable short response time," said an appreciative Timpson.

Rescue personnel were amazed by how together Timpson remained immediately following the ordeal.

Shortly after the accident, the cell phone in Timpson's pack began ringing. He asked a friend at the accident scene to hand him the phone. It was the friend at the house where Timpson was headed. Timpson explained he had been in an accident and asked him to hang up and call 911, then bring him an ice pack for his forehead so he wouldn't lose consciousness.

Colleen says her husband has remained in control throughout. "His attitude throughout has been fantastic. Because of John's attitude, I'm doing okay," she



## "Father's Been to Mars" Opens Thursday

The 23rd annual Lowell Area Arts Council play, "Father's Been to Mars" opens on Thursday, Oct. 21 at the Lowell Performing Arts Center and runs through Saturday, Oct. 23. The three shows begin at 8 p.m. Reserve tickets are \$6 and general admission is \$5. Tickets may be purchased in advance at Cousin's Card and Gift Shoppe and the Lowell Area Arts Center. This year's play is being directed by Sue Bradford and produced by Deb Duiven and Bobbi White. Pictured, sitting, left to right, are: Amy Vezino (Elizabeth), Lori Brinkley (Mildred), Patty Fortin (Louise), Anne Pasquale (Madeline); back row, left to right, are: Brent Alles (Larry Gibson), Libby Aronson (Gloria), and Susan Veenema (Eartha).

## Wege Foundation Nature Area open house Friday

... The nature area is a result of a four-way partnership between the Wege Foundation, Lowell Area Schools, the Land Conservancy and the Cridler family.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
 Lowell Ledger Editor

The grand opening of the new, 60-acre Wege Foundation Nature Area in Vergennes Township will be celebrated on Friday.

The preserve is located at the corner of Vergennes and Alden Nash streets, across the road from the Lowell High School.

Diverse habitats cover the property and include a beech-maple woods, small pine populations, a creek and associated wetlands, and an open field.

It will be owned and managed by the Land Conservancy of West Michigan, a private, nonprofit organization that owns four other preserves in central West Michigan. This preserve puts the Land Conservancy 60 acres closer to its millennium campaign goal of preserving 2000

acres by the end of the year 2000.

The Wege Foundation purchased two-thirds of the 60 acres from Reg and the other third from Anne Cridler, who resides in Trumansburg, NY.

The property, owned by the Cridler family, has been in the family since their father (Reg) purchased it in 1960. Upon their father's death, the property was divided.

It was the wishes of the whole family (Reg, Anne, Steve, Judy) that this be preserved as the wildlife area their father had developed.

"Our family has always talked about what we eventually wanted to see done with the property," Reg Cridler said.

"This preserve is a result of a unique four-way partnership between the Wege Foundation, the Lowell Area

Schools, the Land Conservancy, and landowners," explained April Scholtz, executive director of the Land Conservancy. "Lowell School system superintendent Bert Bleke developed the vision of how the property could enrich the lives of students and community members."

The generosity of the Wege Foundation and the landowners has made it possible to purchase the preserve, according to Scholtz. "The Land Conservancy of West Michigan is ensuring the land is protected forever and available for public use and enjoyment."

The partner organizations are working together to develop appropriate educa-

tional and recreational uses for the preserve.

The open house celebration of the new preserve will begin at 3:30 p.m. with tours of the property. There will be a dedication ceremony at 5:30 p.m. that will include representatives from the partner organizations and local officials.

Guests are asked to park at Lowell High School and are encouraged to dress appropriately for weather and hiking on the nature trails.

For more information on the preserve and this event, call Scholtz at the Land Conservancy of West Michigan's Grand Rapids office, 616-451-9476.

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## OBITUARIES

**GAMBONI** - Bradley Manuel Gamboni, aged 36, of Belding, passed away accidentally September 18, 1999. He was preceded in death by his father, Emmanuel. Mr. Gamboni is survived by his wife Joan of Belding; son Johnathan of Minn; stepchildren Erica of Belding and Jamie of Ohio; granddaughter Megan of

Ohio; mother Marilyn; brothers Jim (Maxine), Ken (Judi); sisters Linda (Curt) Welk, Gloria (Joe) DeZelar, Dottie (John) Volpe, Debbie (Dave) Moline, Sandy (Don) Hystead, all of Minn; brother-in-law Rich (Theresa) Smith of Belding; sister-in-law Terri (Art) Seymour of Ohio; many nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be held

Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Roth-Gerst Chapel with Pastor Joe Fremer of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church officiating. Visitation Sat. 1-2 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Brad Gamboni Fund or the Trident Foundation.

**SMIGIEL** - Mr. Joseph S. Smigiel, Sr., aged 85, passed away on Saturday, October 9, 1999. Mr. Smigiel was a disabled and decorated veteran of WWII. He was preceded in death by his son, Michael. He is survived by his loving wife of 52 years, Ann (Chernoby). Also surviving are his children, Bar-

bara and James Williamson of Jenison, Marie and Alan McClary of Grand Rapids, James and Verna Smigiel of Prerson, Steven and Diane Smigiel of Ada, Joanne Johnson of Grand Rapids, Joseph and Linda Smigiel, Jr. of Grandville, Helen and Michael Hoffman of Lowell, Arthur and Jane Smigiel of Grand Rapids; Diane Goad of Grand Rapids; daughter-in-law, Paula Smigiel; 22 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; his sisters, Verna Masiewicz of Grand Rapids, and Anna (Arthur) Lien of Walker; numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. Joseph retired after 33 years

of employment at Applied Arts Corp. where he was an active member of the United Auto Workers. He was a lifetime and devoted member of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Grand Rapids, and a member of the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus. A Mass of

Christian Burial was celebrated Tuesday at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, Interment Holy Cross Cemetery. Memorial contributions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus Church Improvement Fund will be appreciated.

## Fry Daddy's success a predestined family sort of thing

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Paul Stroosnyder has fallen into a family sort of business thing.

Stroosnyder, who opened Fry Daddy's on May 8, helped his brother open up a Fry Daddy's in Kentwood two years ago. "It's been kind of a family thing. I fell into it and got to know the business through my uncle (Mike Larkin)."

If the success he has enjoyed in the initial four months is any type of sign, he's put that knowledge to good use.

The seafood restaurant offers 10 different varieties of fresh fish (catfish, wall-eye, smelt, pollock, orange roughy and perch) along with chicken and shrimp.

"I chose Lowell because this is where I'm from and it doesn't have anything like this in town," Stroosnyder said. "I'm very pleased with the amount of business we've done so far. It's exciting to

see customers keep coming back."

Fry Daddy customers can purchase lunch and/or dinner baskets or they can buy fresh fish and prepare it themselves.

Stroosnyder doesn't see the business changing much. "Things will remain pretty much the same. I'm going to keep things simple."

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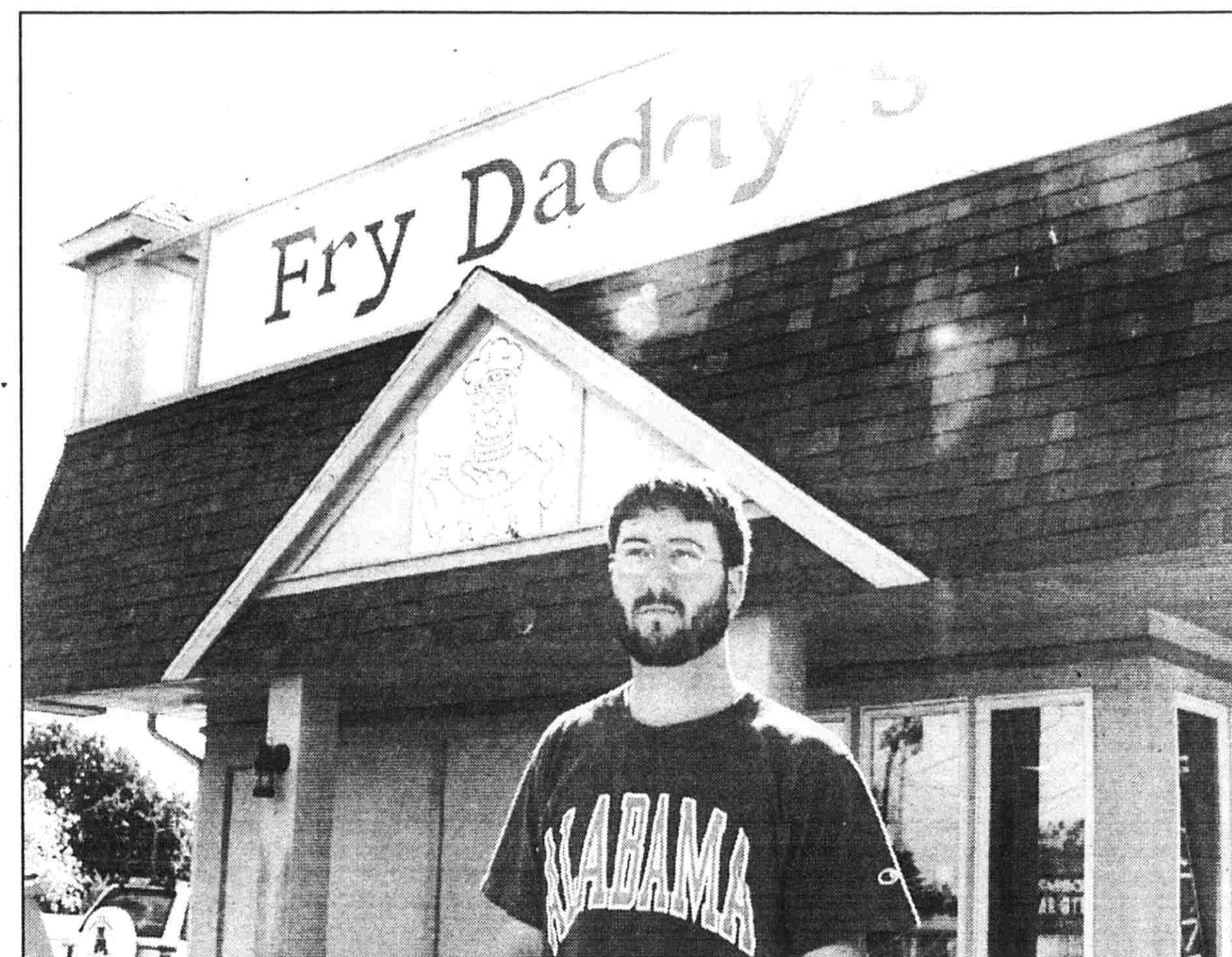
**Paul Stroosnyder  
Fry Daddy's Owner**

Stroosnyder explains.

Fry Daddy's is open Monday through Thursday 11 a.m. until 8 p.m.; Friday 11 a.m. until 9 p.m.; Saturday 1 until 8 p.m.; and Stroosnyder is 'gone fishin'' on Sunday.

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Facts are stubborn things; and whatever may be our wishes, our inclinations, or the dictates of our passions, they cannot alter the state of facts and evidence.

—John Adams



Paul Stroosnyder opened Lowell's Fry Daddy's in May.

"Lowell has been very supportive. I'm grateful. I am also thankful for all my friends, family and my fiancée (Theresa Wasciuk) who pitched in and helped me get the place ready for business," Stroosnyder concluded.

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## Cancer Society recovery program in need of drivers

Looking for an exciting and rewarding way to spend your time? The American Cancer Society's Kent Area Service Center is in need of volunteer drivers for the Road to Recovery program.

As a Road to Recovery volunteer, you would drive local residents to and from their cancer treatments and exams at no cost to the patient. This is a very flexible program. Volunteers give their time when it is convenient. There are no set schedules. They especially need volunteers in the Barry, Kent, Montcalm and Ionia county areas.

Many cancer patients in these counties have a difficult time scheduling their appointments because they do not have transportation, but the Road to Recovery program is working hard to lend these patients a hand.

For more information about volunteering for Road to Recovery program, please call Ruth or Shawn at (616) 364-6121.

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**SYNOPSIS  
REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE VERGENNES  
TOWNSHIP BOARD  
SEPTEMBER 20, 1999 - 7:00 P.M.**  
MOTIONS APPROVED:  
• Minutes of August 16, 26 and September 15, 1999 meetings  
• Treasurer's Report/Invoices, including Williams & Works Comprehensive Plan  
• Motion to Acknowledge Survey Results and Reject Community Pool Proposal  
• Motion to Accept Auditors Report as Presented  
• Motion to Direct Planning Commission to Work on an Ordinance Amendment to Allow for Unclassified Uses  
• Motion to Grant Preliminary Approval to the Extension of Sudan Dr. Subject to Engineer Recommendations  
• Motion to Adopt Mission Statement/Township Road Policy  
• Motion to Grant special Use Permit Application from Lincoln Lake Autos With Conditions  
• Motion to Issue Civil Infraction to Owner of 11855 McPherson if Satisfactory Response is not Received by October 8, 1999  
• Motion to Appoint Judy Baird to Historical Commission for Vacated Term, and to have Tim Wittenbach serve as Board Representative  
• Motion to Not Support the Recreation Authority as it Pertains to the Community Pool Proposal  
• Motion that Vergennes Township Entertain Further Discussion Regarding Other Recreational Facilities  
• Motion to Adjourn at 9:07 P.M.  
Mari C. Stone,  
Vergennes Township Clerk

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# COMMUNITY INVITATION

Wege Foundation Natural Area  
for the Study of Ecology  
On Vergennes across from Lowell High School

**Friday, October 15**

3:30 - 5:00 p.m. - Open hiking on trails  
5:30 p.m. - Brief ceremony

Parking available at Lowell High School • 11700 Vergennes

Cider, donuts and coffee will be served







### Metternick & Vezino make Nov. wedding

Ron and Carrie Metternick, of Lowell, are announcing the engagement of their daughter April Marie to James William Vezino Jr., son of Jay and Saralyn Vezino, of Lowell, and Emil and Deb Gofourth of Cheboygan.

A November 13, 1999 wedding is being planned.

April Marie Metternick & James William Vezino

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**OCT. 13:** Adam Thaler, Joe VanLaan, Patrick Doyle, Gilbert Snieder, Emily J. Zengri.

**OCT. 14:** Jeanne Shores, Ericka Onan, Barb Erickson, Debra Duiven, Court Duiven, Kyle Hildenbrand, Stacey Kinyon, Jim Watrous, Kelsey Callihan.

**OCT. 15:** Jamie Roth, Jason Roth, Elizabeth Raab, Mark Russell, Jan Lippert, Annie Oesch, Kevin Clouser, Frank Grudzinskas, Doug Felling, Dick Watters.

**OCT. 16:** Angelo J. Zengri, Paula Blough.

**OCT. 17:** Collin Kaeb, Kurt Telman.

**OCT. 18:** Mary Ellen Rivers, Brian Willmarth, Brian Scott Kunard, Hayden Andrews/Snyder.

**OCT. 19:** Lydia Brenk, Nancy Brenk, Ruth Smith, Zachary Clouser.



Week of 10/18-10/22

#### ELEMENTARY

\*White & Chocolate milk offered daily.  
\*Lunch: \$1.35

**MON:** Sloppy Joe/bun or crispiito, cheese, roll, pears, peas, pasta salad.

**TUES:** Turkey gravy & biscuit or cheeseburger on bun, mashed potatoes, cookie, grapes.

**WED:** Cheesy pizza or burrito w/breadstick, fresh fruit choice, corn.

**THURS:** Mini corndogs or ham & scalloped potatoes, cinnamon roll, berries & cream, carrot slices.

**FRI:** Soft shell taco or egg, ham, cheese English muffin, applesauce, green beans, nacho pieces.

#### MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOLS

\*White & Chocolate milk offered daily.  
\*Lunch: \$1.50

**MON:** Sloppy Joe on bun or crispiito w/chips & cheese, pears, peas, pasta salad.

**TUES:** 2 hot dogs on buns or turkey & gravy w/biscuit, potatoes, grapes, cookie.

**WED:** Baked potato & toppings, bread, cheese soup, fresh fruit, corn & broccoli.

**THURS:** Mini corndogs or ham & scalloped potatoes, cinnamon roll, berries & cream, carrots.

**FRI:** 2 soft tacos or chicken cordon bleu on bun, applesauce, green beans, nacho pieces.

## School Safety Advisory Tips:

By Laura Evans

The term, "generation gap," was coined in the 1960s and indicated to the world there was a problem in the effective communication of ideas between people of different age groups. In the 1990s, the macabre events that erupted at schools across the country and culminated in the massacre at Columbine High School showed society, among other things, that the ability to communicate feelings, behavior and information from one person to another had gone horribly wrong.

Schools and communities across this nation are explor-

ing and implementing many new options to make our schools and environments safer places to live. Parents are wondering what they can do to help with limited time and resources to reduce the widening gap between them, their children, and society.

Here are some tips and tidbits to facilitate greater communication with your child:

1) Take an interest in your child's friends. Get to know their names; things they like to do; places they like to hang out. If your child is a minor you have a right to know.

2) Talk in the car. It's often difficult for a young per-

son to look at an adult face-to-face when discussing sensitive issues. The car affords a non-threatening environment for them - especially if you play their favorite music in the background.

3) Parents networking with parents. Create a phone list. Get to know parents of their friends - at least on the phone. Compare notes of your child's whereabouts and activities. Find out where the latest party is located and what adults plan to be there. How many kids are expected to be there? Share information with other parents. Safeguard your kids.

## Museum curator to visit Englehardt Library, Oct. 15

Everyone knows a person who has a collection of some kind - dolls, glassware or baseball cards. However, one of the largest collectors in the area is the Public Museum of Grand Rapids. At 10 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 15 at the Englehardt Public Library in Lowell, Christian G. Carron, Museum Curator of Collections, will give a lecture titled "Building and Caring for Collections."

Carron will describe some of the interesting collections the museum has amassed over the past 145 years, which are being placed on permanent display in a series of exhibitions known as "Collecting A-Z." Carron will explain im-

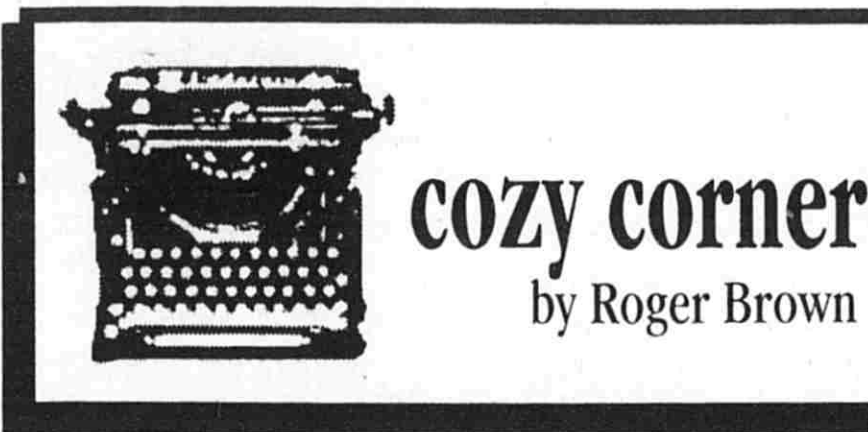
portant recent developments in the care of artifacts and documents, which will be incorporated into the new Community Archives and Research Center currently under construction. Carron will also describe some of the factors the museum considers in the care of its own collections, which can be applied to the preservation of antiques and personal mementos at home.

Carron is curator of collections for the public museum of Grand Rapids, where he has worked for the last 13 years. In this position, he oversees the use and development of collections at all the museum's sites, includ-

ing VanAndel Museum Center, Voigt House Victorian Museum, Blandford Nature Center and the Collections Research Center. He is author of the recently published book, *Grand Rapids Furniture: The Story of America's Furniture City*. Carron holds a BA in Museum Studies, History and Art from Luther College and an MA in Historical Administration from Eastern Illinois University.

For more information about "Building and Caring for Collections," call the Englehardt Library at 897-9596. The library is located at 200 N. Monroe in Lowell.

# Viewpoint . . .



Before I do anything else, I need to set the record straight regarding a couple assumptions I made in last week's column. As you may recall, the piece was about my two and one half year old granddaughter finally rebelling from a tyrannical forced allegiance to the U of M put upon her by her Michigan alumnus father. Little Maddie saw the light just in time, as we all know what happened on the gridiron last Saturday. Go State!

In the column, I noted that Maddie now runs away when she hears the Michigan fight song while freely singing the Michigan State fight song all the way through. Over and over, all day, every day. Drives her dad crazy. I'm not sure this is possible, but I'd be willing to bet Brad hates it even more than the "Barney the purple dinosaur's" song. That's what he gets for trying to corrupt my little granddaughter.

I mentioned in the column that Maddie's mom, my daughter Angie, was going to dress her in her Michigan State cheerleader outfit on game day. She did, and I'm sure that even her dad would have to admit she was mighty cute. One of my corrections and an apology regard last week's mention of this cheerleader outfit.

I incorrectly stated that the cheerleader outfit was given to Maddie as a Christmas gift from one of Angie's friends from high school who had gone on to graduate with honors from Michigan State. Wrong! The gift was actually from another of Angie's friends from high school who never went to M.S.U., but obviously feels the same way I do about Brad's attempts to corrupt Maddie. Sorry for the slight. April. Great gift by the way!

The big mistake that I have to correct is this, "graduated with honors" embellishment I threw in. The person I'm referring to is Renee Nugent. If you have been reading the Ledger

for about 10 years or so, you'll remember a time when you couldn't turn a page without seeing something about Renee Nugent or her brother Tom. Be it sports, any type of extra curricular activity or especially F.F.A. stuff, there always seemed to be one of the Nugents involved. Wrapped up in all this is a healthy sibling rivalry that apparently still exists, and is the reason for this lengthy public apology.

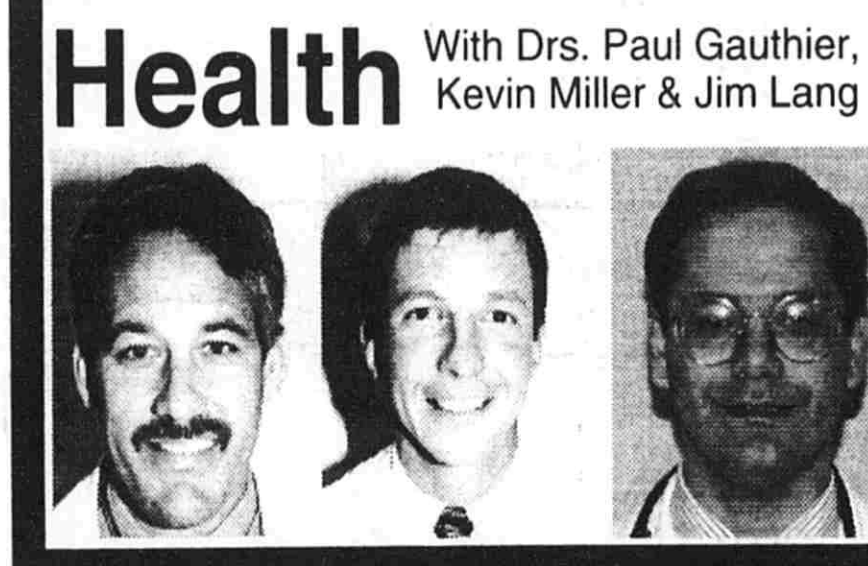
My leap of faith to the "graduated with honors" came from the fact Renee was chosen as one of the speakers at her Michigan State commencement. At the time, Angie told me that it was a big honor for her to be chosen. I made the assumption that such an honor would only be granted to "honor" students. Making assumptions is a fault of mine. One of many. It's something one should never do in print, and that's why you seldom see my byline on news stories. My news report of a traffic accident might go something like this...

"The two-car accident occurred when a late model sedan ran a red light and was struck broadside by a pickup truck coming through the intersection from the north. The driver of the sedan must have been drunk, talking on a cell phone, color blind or just plain stupid to have pulled a bonehead move like driving through a red light."

People like the driver of that car tend to take writers to task, if not court, for making assumptions. Mistaking who bought a cheerleader outfit or giving out bogus honor degrees might get me in a little hot water, but probably won't land me in jail.

I heard about the mistake from Angie. It seems Renee's brother Tom called her. Angie, way out in Arizona, had not received her Ledger, so Tom read her the part about Renee and the "honors degree." With his tongue planted firmly in his cheek, he insisted that Angie inform me his sister did NOT graduate with honors and please set the record straight. If I were a betting man, I'd put a little something on the fact that maybe Tom, also an M.S.U. grad, did graduate with honors. However, that would be speculation and that is the same as making an assumption. Let's just leave it at that.

A couple more lessons about assumptions, then I'll let you go. One, if you are a U of M fan, alumnus or whatever, you should quit going through life assuming your team is going to beat Michigan State every fall on the football field. Two, if you are a regular reader of this column, you should never assume it's going to be witty, funny, factual, well-written or even worth your time.



### Health With Drs. Paul Gauthier, Kevin Miller & Jim Lang

**HYPOTHYROIDISM**

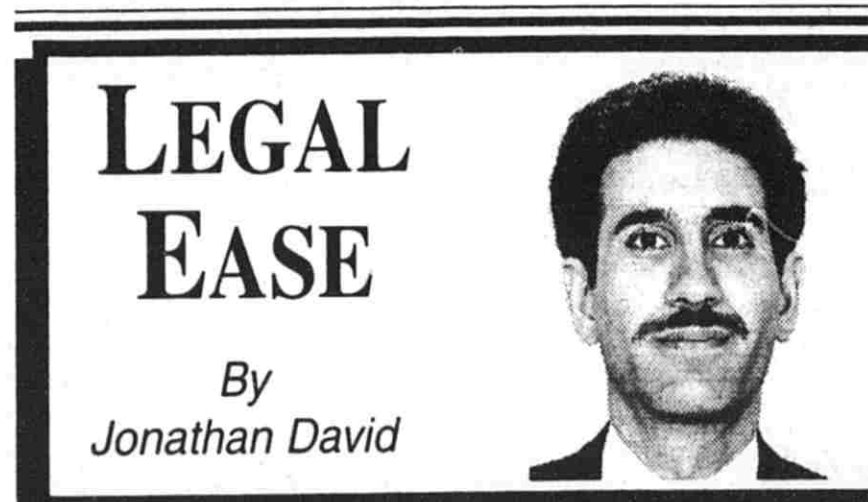
Hypothyroidism (low functioning thyroid gland) affects some 11 million Americans, especially women and elderly people. The most common type of hypothyroidism is Hashimoto's Disease, an illness where the immune system

produces antibodies which destroy the thyroid. Some patients may have an enlarged thyroid, called a goiter.

The most common symptoms of hypothyroidism are fatigue, cold intolerances, dry skin and hair, depression, hoarse voice and increased menstrual flow to women. If these symptoms persist, laboratory and physical evaluation is in order to determine the cause. Hypothyroidism is easily diagnosed with a blood test (TSH). If you have a goiter too, your doctor may want to obtain an ultrasound also.

Treating hypothyroidism requires the patient to take a thyroid supplement orally. Most patients will remain on this medication for life. Your doctor will run blood tests once or twice a year to make sure you are taking the appropriate dose of thyroid.

Fortunately, there are few if any side effects associated with taking thyroid supplements. In the vast majority of cases, there is rather abrupt reversal of the original symptoms (principally fatigue) after being on the medication for several weeks. Hypothyroidism is very common but, fortunately, very treatable.



### LEGAL EASE

By Jonathan David

**DEAR JONATHAN:** I am married with a young family. Our net estate is valued at approximately \$600,000. In addition to that, I have a term life insurance policy on my life, which has a death benefit of \$500,000. Since that term life insurance policy does not have any cash value, I do not consider that to be part of our estate. If I am correct in my thinking, then our estate falls below that level necessary to make it a taxable estate. Consequently, is there any need at this time to engage in any type of federal estate tax planning?

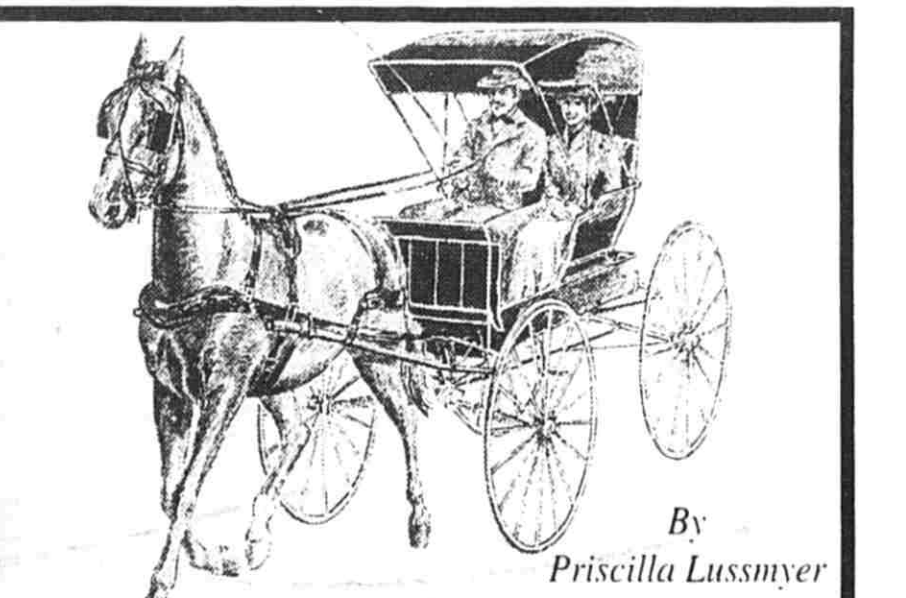
**JONATHAN SAYS:** You are correct that a term life insurance policy has no cash value. However, if you still own that term life insurance policy at the time of your death, then the death benefits from that life insurance policy will be taxed as part of your estate along with the balance of your assets. Therefore, from a federal estate tax standpoint, if you die this

year, then your estate would increase in value from \$600,000 to \$1.1 million dollars. Therefore, unless you are not planning to hold onto that term life insurance policy very much longer, I would recommend that you engage in federal estate tax planning now. Otherwise, if nothing changes there will be federal estate taxes due and owing at the time the second one of you and your spouse dies.

It is also important that you engage in estate planning, regardless of your tax situation, because you indicated that you have a young family. By implementing wills, durable powers of attorney, both financial and health care, and trust documents, not only can you take care of your tax planning needs, but you can make sure that your family is protected both during lifetime and at death.

I recommend that you meet with an estate planning attorney to discuss what type of estate plan can be implemented on you behalf to protect your family and to avoid or at least minimize to the greatest ability, the federal estate taxes which will be incurred at the death of the last one of you (you or your wife) to die. Good luck.

The information contained in this column is not to be construed as legal advice or legal representation and should not be relied upon as such. If legal advice or legal representation is desired, please consult with an attorney.



## Ledger Entries of 125, 100, 75, 50 & 25 Years Ago

### 125 YEARS THE WEEKLY JOURNAL OCT. 14, 1874

Common Council has extended the deadline for paying village taxes by 30 days.

Hall & Ramsdell are moving their Lowell Cigar factory to St. Louis (Michigan).

The editor reminds the Marshal that many holes in many sidewalks need repairing.

William Warner of Bowne wins a \$5 bet by husking 105 bushels of corn between daybreak and an hour before sundown.

Mrs. Hamilton, a spiritual medium who deals in Psychomancy and tells persons' past and present, is in town amazing the citizens (and the editor).

### 100 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER OCT. 12, 1899

The first month of school closed without even one case of corporal punishment in any department.

Due to leakage of a "water spout" (eaves trough?) onto the second floor, Marks Ruben has a "soak sale."

A wedding suit lost somewhere in shipment from Chicago turns up at the eleventh hour, after numerous tracings, in the local express office, with a wrong name on the label.

Village teachers have organized a reading circle. This issue is tattered and torn, but there seems to be a lot of detail about Admiral Dewey's return to the states.

### 75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER AND THE ALTO SOLO OCT. 9, 1924

Marshal Charles Lawyer's village truck overturns in a dangerous sandy cut in Keene Township. Trapped, he digs through the sand with his hands and crawls to safety.

Seniors arrange a five-part Lyceum for the benefit of the high school, to be held at City Hall, including lectures, music and art.

Former Pres. Teddy Roosevelt's son Theodore, now assistant secretary of the Navy (father was too), has been nominated for governor of New York, also like dad.

The American Army around-the-world flyers arrive at Seattle five months and 22 days after starting off. Two planes were wrecked along the way.

"Ma" Ferguson wins the right to run for governor of Texas, in spite of the 1875 constitution disallowing women that right.

### 50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER OCT. 12, 1949

VA announces that the special National Service Life Insurance dividend will be mailed out to eligible veterans who have applied, starting next January.

The editor declares against compulsory retirement age. About 250,000 children are enrolled in Michigan public and parochial schools, and the biggest building program in history is attempting to keep up.

Michigan State College reaches a new high of 16,051 students, with a slightly lower proportion of veterans: 43 percent against last year's 50 percent.

The new look in carrot marketing is tops off, in cellophane bags.

### 25 YEARS LOWELL LEDGER AND SUBURBAN LIFE OCT. 10, 1974

City Council orders a delay in preparations to build a new water treatment plant until citizens decide if there will be a vote on the subject. The delay can mean higher costs in construction.

A full-page ad describes the new catalytic converter for 1975 cars.

There are 61 Lowell students attending the Kent Skill Centers.

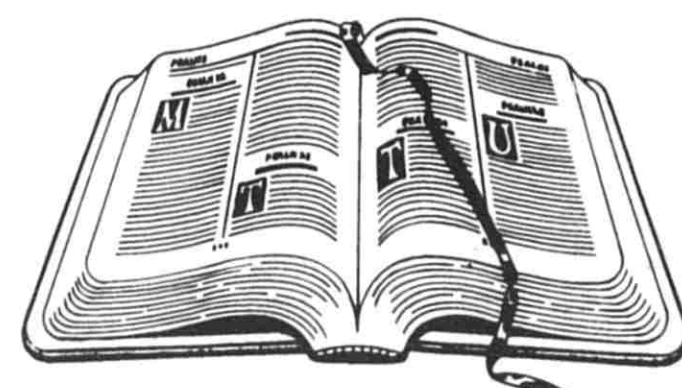
Fallsburg Fall Festival will be held this weekend, sponsored by the West Central Michigan Historical Society, with at least 25 artists and craftsmen, plus beautiful fall colors.

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# Lowell School Board ratifies contract agreements

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Three weeks ago the Lowell Area School District and the five district associations announced they had reached tentative one-year agreements.

The numbers to those agreements were released Monday night following the Lowell Board of Education's monthly meeting.

The contract with the Lowell Education Association calls for a 4.3 percent increase in the cost of teacher salaries. This represents a net cost increase in salary of 2.6 percent plus a 1.7

percent increase in step scale.

Individual salary increases for central office support staff will represent a 4.8 percent total dollar increase.

Mechanics agreed to a one-year deal calling for a wage increase of 2.5 percent.

The net cost of salary increase for custodians with step is 3.12 percent; for secretaries with step is 5.86 percent; and for paraprofessionals with step is 4.65 percent.

Wage increase for paraprofessionals and custodians was 2.6 percent. It was 3.6 percent for secretaries.

Connie Gillette, assistant superintendent for finance and

personnel, said the secretaries wage increase was higher than the other areas. "In comparing them with the rest of the county, Lowell's were out of line," she explained.

Lowell bus drivers agreed to a two-year contract with re-opens on salary and four language issues. The base driving wage will incur a 2.5 percent increase.

Lowell Board of Education president Pete Gustafson said the increases were consistent with those across the Kent Intermediate School District. "I also believe they are sensitive to the district's budgeting constraints," he concluded.

## School accepts gifts into district

Lowell Area Schools accepted gifts into the district totaling over \$4,000.

Smith Industries donated 10 Gateway 2000 computers with network cards to Lowell Schools valued at \$1,000.

Electronic Data Systems donated five computers, monitors, keyboards and mice valued at \$2,514.14 to be used by Cherry Creek Parents Involved with Teachers and Students resource center.

The Lowell Community Fund donated \$300 to be used by the Lowell Athletic Boosters.

Dr. John Lee, Ph.D. donated various instructional software valued at \$250 to be used by Lowell students.

## Swartzentruber speaks to Vergennes Club

The Vergennes Club met on Oct. 7 at Schneider Manor with guest speakers Lon Swartzentruber from the Grand Rapids Foundation and Jim Bossard, who serves as a local adviser to the Lowell Community Englehardt Fund.

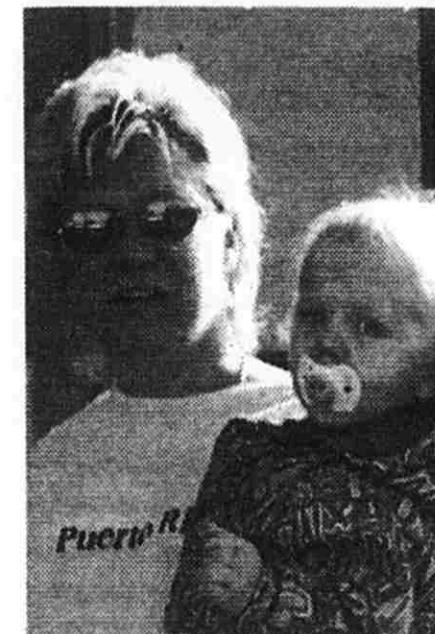
The Lowell Community Fund is open to further contributions (a minimum of \$200). This qualifies as both a charitable contribution and as a 50 percent direct deduction from your Michigan tax.

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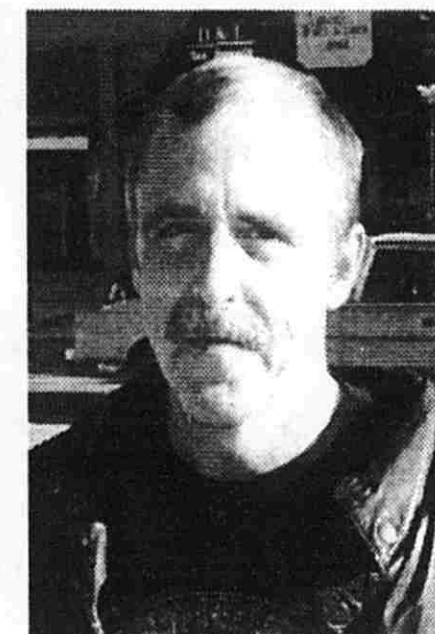
# TOWN TALK —

## Should downtown (central district) merchants be allowed to display merchandise on the sidewalks?



Diane Heikila

*The city has fixed the sidewalks and downtown and it looks nice. Why allow displays to distract from what has been done?*



Clifford Fenlong

*Yes. It is a way of getting more business. I would oppose pornographic material being set out.*



Colleen Bazvin

*I think it creates more of a hassle than it is worth. Patrons have to walk around displays, and vendors have to watch so that no one walks off with something.*



Don Reedy

*I don't see any harm in it. I haven't seen any safety hazards out on the sidewalks. It's hard for businesses to compete in the downtown area and stay in business. If it's too tacky, customers won't shop there. The public is smart enough to figure it out. They don't need people to tell them.*

**Linda Hamp**

*I think it is important that merchants be allowed to. Displays shouldn't block the sidewalk, and guidelines should be set up so displays are done tastefully. It's a good sales tool for downtown businesses.*

**Terry Sturman**

*As long as it doesn't get in the way of pedestrians or isn't a threat to fall on someone.*

**Joanne Poulias**

*If it's done with taste. The real issue is who decides what is tasteful.*

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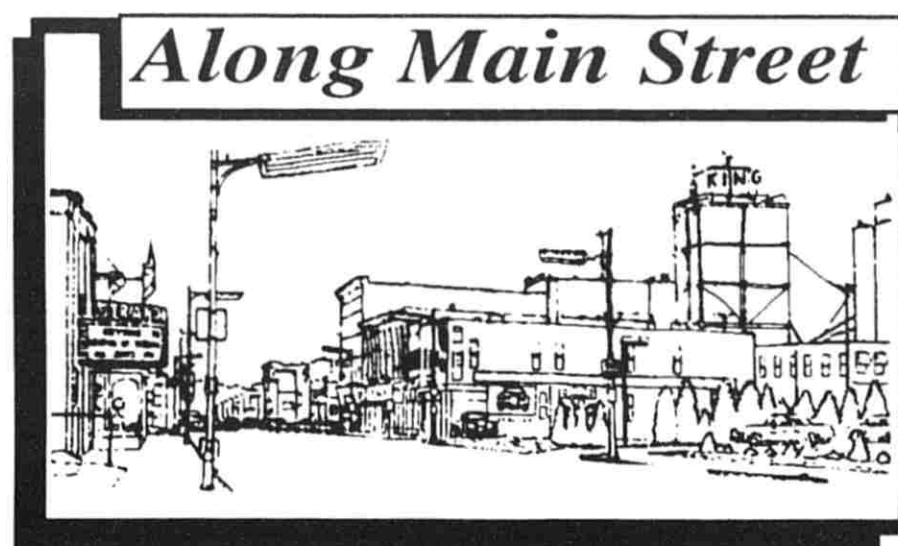
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**LMS PRESENTS HERCULES**  
The Lowell Middle School eighth-grade drama class will present a humorously modernized version of the great Greek tale *Hercules* on Tuesday, Oct. 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the middle school cafeteria at 750 Foreman.  
The public is invited and admission is free.

**PARENTS' INFORMATION MEETING**  
Parents' information meeting, "Preparing for Your Child's L.E.P.C." Do you wonder what takes place at the planning meeting for your child? How can you be more prepared for these meetings? Come Monday, Oct. 18 from 7-8:30 p.m. at Lowell Area Schools' administration building, located at 300 High St. RSVP to 897-1214 or 897-1216 by Oct. 13.

## VERGENNES TOWNSHIP NOTICE

A Public Hearing will be held at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Vergennes Township Planning Commission on Monday, November 1, 1999 at 7:00 P.M. at the township offices located at 10381 Bailey Dr., Lowell for the following subjects:

The Planning Commission will be accepting public comment for proposed amendments to update and revise the current Private Road Ordinance Section 202.000.

The Planning Commission will be accepting public comment for proposed amendments to Section 201.401 General and Special Regulations to add Unclassified Special Exception Uses for all districts. Unclassified special exception uses language will allow the Planning Commission to consider applications for special uses in any district where a use is not specifically listed but may be desirable and appropriate compared to the uses already permitted. A coordinating amendment will be added to Section 201.502 (A) Special Exception Uses section.

The Planning Commission will be accepting public comment for the following application: Pete Faber of 550 Steketee, Ada, MI 49301, has requested a site plan review for a proposed Planned Unit Development and private roads (clustering of single family homes surrounded by large common areas to remain in their natural state) to be built in the R-A district in the SE 1/4 of Section 4 on 124.5 acres of property currently owned by Charles and Becky Carlson parcel #41-16-04-400-004 at the intersection of Alden Nash and Lally.

Copies of the above application and site plan and the proposed ordinance amendments are available for public inspection at the township offices on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Written comments will be considered if received by the township clerk before 7:00 P.M. on November 1, 1999.

Planning Commission of Vergennes Township

### FLU SHOT CLINIC

The LACC is sponsoring a flu shot clinic at the Laurels of Kent, Friday, Oct. 22, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Call Liz at 897-9161 to schedule an appointment. Shots are \$10.

### SPORTSMAN'S CLUB ANNUAL SIGHT-IN

The Qua-Ke-Zik Sportsman's Club sight-in for rifle.

## Timpson, cont'd.... From Page 1

said. "He wakes up early every morning and calls the orchard to make sure the trucks are going and things are getting done. It's like he never left, except John's running it from long distance."

Timpson came home Saturday. He will be unable to put any weight on his legs for another three months. It is expected

shotgun and pistol, will be held Saturday, Oct. 30; Sunday, Oct. 31; Saturday, Nov. 6; Sunday, Nov. 7 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine.

This will be held at the club, 11400 Foreman Rd. and the cost is \$4 per gun. Call 897-7635 for more information.

to take him three-five months after that before he will be able to get up on his feet and walk with any type of assistance.

"We are touched and so grateful to all who have sent flowers, cards and made phone calls to the hospital," Colleen Timpson concluded.

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## RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH IMPROVEMENTS TO BIG CROOKED LAKE

At a special meeting of the Big Crooked Lake Improvement Board held in the Grattan Township Hall on the 22nd day of September, 1999, at 7:00 p.m., local time.

**PRESENT:** DeVries, Laninga, Malone, Palazzolo  
**ABSENT:** Klemans

The following resolution was offered by member Laninga and seconded by member Malone. WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on the aquatic plant control program for Big Crooked Lake; and WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Big Crooked Lake Improvement Board to proceed with implementation of improvements to the lake as described in the attached Exhibit A.

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Lake Board hereby determines that the proposed improvements are practical, that the petition submitted for the lake improvement is sufficient, and it confirms its intent to proceed with the improvements.
2. The Lake Board hereby approves the lake improvement plan and the estimate of costs for the improvements as shown on the attached Exhibit A.
3. This resolution shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Grattan Township. The petition shall not, thereafter, be subject to attack except in an action brought in a court of competent jurisdiction within 30 days after publication.

**ADOPTED:** AYES: All  
NAYS: None

### RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

I, Chuck Palazzolo, secretary of said Big Crooked Lake Improvement Board, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the lake board at a meeting held on the 22nd day of September, 1999. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan 1976, as amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, this 22nd day of September, 1999.

Chuck Palazzolo, Secretary  
**Big Crooked Lake Improvement Board**

### EXHIBIT A BIG CROOKED LAKE PLANT CONTROL PROJECT - ANNUAL COST BREAKDOWN 2000 TO 2003

Herbicide Treatments	50 acres @ \$310/acre	\$15,500/year
Mechanical Harvesting	40 acres @ \$200/acre	\$8,000/year
Administration/Inspections		\$4,000/year
Contingency		\$2,500/year
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$30,000/year</b>

\*Note that the amount of herbicide treatments and harvesting in any given year will be dependent on the type and location of aquatic plants and Department of Environmental Quality permit requirements.

The Special Assessment District for the Big Crooked Lake Project is proposed to include all lakefront parcels and back lots with deeded or dedicated lake access. Contiguous lots in common ownership are proposed to be assessed as a single parcel provided only one house exists on the parcel. The \$30,000 annual cost of the project is proposed to be assessed equally against all parcels within the proposed Special Assessment District. Under this plan, the assessment per parcel would be approximately \$250 per year for four years.

## Purge wells hooked up with electricity

Associated Electric employees and 1995 Lowell graduates Mike Van Timmeren and Ken VanSpronsen completed the work.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The electric hookup to the purge wells installed at the east end of Hudson Street where the Flat River enters into the Grand River was completed last week by Associated Electric, Ada.

Lowell High School '95 graduates Mike Van Timmeren and Ken VanSpronsen both earned their journeyman's card back in August and completed the work for the Ada company.

In June, it was recommended to the city that a ground water diffuser system be installed due to brine buildup in the Grand River.



Mike VanTimmeren, left, and Ken VanSpronsen, of Associated Electric, completed the electrical hookup on Wednesday.

Earth Tech's Jim Tolbert said the work needed to be done because eventually the buildup could cause damage to the municipal well system, which supplies the city's drinking water.

A trucking company (OXY-USA) east of the Grand River created the problem, according to Tolbert. It will pay for all the fees involved in the matter, said Lowell mayor Bill Thompson.

Miller Springs Remediation Management, Inc. undertook the work and will defend and hold the city harmless from all liability.

In responding to the cause of the buildup, Tolbert said the bottom of the river consists of clay, which has created a ridge. The salt water makes it to the ridge causing more density.

Tolbert said he believes the chloride levels will subside as the brine is pumped out.

Both well sites will be fenced in and landscaped.

## Lowell City Council Proceedings:

**Editor's Note:** In the Oct. 6 edition of the Lowell Ledger, the city manager's report and appointments were left out of the council minutes.

**ITEM #9. MANAGER'S REPORT.** City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:

1. The August 18, 1999 Downtown Historic District Commission meeting minutes were included.
2. The fifth annual fly in is scheduled on Sunday, September 26 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Lowell City Airport. Pasquale stated this has worked very well over the past few years and the Airport has been able to raise funds for improvements to the Airport.
3. At its September 11, 1999 meeting, the Parks and Recreation Commission approved the Master Plan drawing for Recreation Park. The Commission is having a design development drawing of a reoriented ballfield undertaken by Design Plus for a cost of \$480 allocated from the project proceeds.

Green stated the football field would be left in the same location. A playground would be added. There would be paving of some parking areas. He stated the Fairboard is very excited about the project. A new boat launch may be improved or at least the existing facility would be repaired.

Also, the Planning Commission is reviewing different locations for a Farmers Market. The Parks Commission was willing to offer the corner of Bowes Road and Hudson as a location for a Farmers Market. The Parks Commission is also reviewing the possibility of having a boardwalk along the Flat River with picnic shelters.

Thompson stated it is great to see the area improved. He noted the King Memorial Youth Center has been remodeled. There is also the youth football, and sprinklers have been installed on the Burch Field. Leonard Jackson questioned the status of the house near the fairgrounds. Green responded there have been no discussions with the property owners.

4. An amended motion involving the City's cooperative agreement with Kent County for the Community Development Block Grant program was requested to be approved.

IT WAS MOVED BY BLOUGH and seconded by GREEN that the City of Lowell shall remain in the Kent County Urban County program for an indefinite period of time until such time it is in the best interest of the City of Lowell to terminate the cooperative agreement with Kent County.  
YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Pasquale noted he would be taking a few days off with his wife Anne and asked for an excuse from the next meeting of October 4, 1999.  
By consensus, the Council excused City Manager Pasquale from the October 4, 1999 meeting.

**ITEM #10. APPOINTMENTS.** Thompson stated there were three great candidates for the available position on the Downtown Development Authority Board. He recommended Michael Larkin of Larkins Restaurant (301 W. Main St.) be appointed. Myers questioned who the other candidates were. Thompson responded Jennifer Village and Dan Pipe. He stated all three were very good candidates. He noted Pipe was on two other City Boards and Village has been very involved with the community. Thompson noted Larkin owns two buildings within the City.

Pasquale stated there is a possibility of another opening in the future.

IT WAS MOVED BY THOMPSON and seconded by GREEN to appoint Michael Larkin of Larkin's Restaurant to the Downtown Development Authority Board to a term expiring January 1, 2003.  
YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 9:05 p.m.

Date approved: Monday, Oct. 4, 1999

William F. Thompson, Mayor

VOTE TUESDAY • NOVEMBER 2, 1999

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This is a leaf composting program. Leaves, yard waste and twigs up to 2" in diameter may be placed in the leaf bags. The composting operation cannot accept leaves in plastic bags.

If your trash pickup is Monday or Tuesday, your leaf pickup day is Tuesday and if your pickup for trash is Wednesday or Thursday, your leaf pickup is Wednesday.

If there are any questions, please contact City Hall at 897-8457.

### 1999 FALL LEAF PICKUP SCHEDULE

#### Mon - Tues. Trash Pickup

October 12  
October 19  
October 26  
November 2  
November 9  
November 16

#### Wed. - Thurs. Trash Pickup

October 13  
October 20  
October 27  
November 3  
November 10  
November 17



# Committee formed to help alleviate ambiguity in outside retail display issue

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

A conflict within two sections of the general business text has the city scrambling to come up with an amendment to clarify the language.

Section 12.02 D of the general business district states retail stores will provide goods within a closed building as permitted by right.

Section 12.04 A of the general business district prohibits outdoor storage or display within the required front yard (35 feet).

"For 17 years I have followed the general business district zoning ordinance of keeping goods within a closed building," said Blue Ribbon Feed owner Barb Carpenter. "Now with new businesses in town, that ordinance seems to have been shoved aside."

The language in Section 12.04 A is ambiguous as to whether it means outside displays are allowed beyond the required front yard.

The uncertainty left by

the two sections moved Lowell city attorney Richard Wendt to suggest that an amendment be required.

Questions don't stop there.

Some businesses in the central business district have problems with Section 11.02 D which states retail stores in the Central Business District must provide goods within a completely enclosed building.

Many merchants believe they should be allowed to put displays on the sidewalks.

Springrove Variety owner Mike Sprenger said there are a couple of reasons why he believes this should be allowed.

"To show that they are open, to invite customers into the store and as a cry for help," Sprenger said.

Considering the parking difficulty in the downtown area, planning commissioner Gordie Barry said he favors allowing sidewalk displays in the central district.

Lowell city councilman

Chuck Myers also sympathizes with central district merchants. "There are some businesses open on Sunday. A flag or something to note they are open would be nice," Myers said.

The problem with retail displays is safety and determining what is tasteful and what is tacky.

"There is a difference between rakes and flags and refrigerators and stoves," notes Myers.

Planning commissioner B.J. Thompson said the city has worked hard for beautiful lights and new sidewalk. "I think displays on sidewalks look tacky," Thompson said. "If displays are allowed, how do we determine what's tacky and what's tasteful."

The major hurdle facing central business district merchants in their fight to put displays on Main Street sidewalk is public safety. Patrons must have a safe walkway to pass.

Another hurdle may be

the general business district. "I resent that the city allows the central business district to put displays out in front of their stores but not the general business district," Carpenter said. "Making things so they are fair to everybody

may be nearly impossible." The Lowell Planning Commission decided to form a committee composed of commissioners Clark Jahne, B.J. Thompson, Dan Pipe and Gordie Barry, and merchants on Wednesday (Oct. 13) to

seek a resolution. Councilman Mike Blough said the process will clean up the ambiguity, attain community feedback and see to it that every business gets rules administrated the same way.

## No injuries in train accident

No injuries were incurred early Wednesday (Oct. 6) morning when a train collided with a Key Asphalt truck.

According to Kent County Sheriff Department deputy Don Hamilton, however, the train's engine in-

jured substantial damage. The eastbound train hit the back of the truck (dump bed).

The truck was parked along side the track in the

railroad right-of-way while crew members were working on the crossing.

The accident occurred south of 60th St. on Pratt Lake Road at 8:43 a.m.

## Public hearing set for Nature's Place Development

By Jeffrey Redmond  
Contributing Writer

A public hearing is scheduled at the Lowell Charter Township office for the Nature's Place development project.

Kevin Rude of Sundry Corporation in Ada is seek-

ing final site plan approval by the township planning commission to build condominiums on the PUD rezoned Boyd property off of 28th Street. Commission chairman Richard Bryan has scheduled participation from the public to attend.

Anyone wishing to voice concerns, ask questions and make comments is welcome. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 8 at 7 p.m. The Township Hall is located at 2910 Alden Nash Ave. Call 897-7600 for more information.

### LEGAL NOTICES

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Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, JIM L. VINCENT, 1674 LEFFINGWELL NE, GRAND RAPIDS, MI

49525, or to both the independent personal representative and the KENT COUNTY PROBATE COURT, 320 Ottawa NW, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice.

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Big Crooked Lake Improvement Board

### NOTICE OF REVIEW OF BIG CROOKED LAKE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a special assessment roll has been prepared and is on file at the Grattan Township Hall located at 12050 Old Belding Road N.E., Belding, Michigan, for public examination during normal business hours. Said special assessment roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the cost of the following described improvements to the property benefited therefrom:

Information regarding the cost of the proposed project is provided below:

#### BIG CROOKED LAKE PLANT CONTROL PROJECT - ANNUAL COST BREAKDOWN' 2000 TO 2003

Herbicide Treatments	50 acres @ \$310/acre	\$15,500/year
Mechanical Harvesting	40 acres @ \$200/acre	\$8,000/year
Administration/Inspections		\$4,000/year
Contingency		\$2,500/year
TOTAL		\$30,000/year

\* Note that the amount of herbicide treatments and harvesting in any given year will be dependent on the type and location of aquatic plants and Department of Environmental Quality permit requirements.

The Special Assessment District for the Big Crooked Lake Project includes all lakefront parcels and backlots with deeded or dedicated lake access. Contiguous lots in common ownership are being assessed as a single parcel provided only one house exists on the parcel. The \$30,000 annual cost of the project is being assessed equally against all parcels within the Special Assessment District.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Big Crooked Lake Improvement Board will meet at the Grattan Township Hall located at 12050 Old Belding Road N.E., Belding, Michigan at 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, October 26, 1999 for the purpose of reviewing said special assessment roll and for hearing any objections thereto. An owner of or party in interest in real property to be assessed or his/her agent may appear in person to object to the special assessment or may protest such special assessment by letter filed with the Lake Board at or prior to the time of the hearing. Written objections may be filed with or mailed to the Big Crooked Lake Improvement Board c/o Grattan Township, 12050 Old Belding Road N.E., Belding, Michigan 48809-9367. Notice is also given that the owner of or party in interest in any real property within the Big Crooked Lake Special Assessment District who, having made an objection to said special assessment either in person or in writing, may, within thirty (30) days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll, appeal such special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal or other court of competent jurisdiction.

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## FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 15 THRU OCTOBER 21

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SPORT HIGHLIGHTS

SOCCER: FOXDT Sun. 5 p.m. English Premier League Soccer Teams to Be Announced. (Taped)
TENNIS: FOXDT Sun. 3 p.m. Tennis WTA Swisscom Challenge. From Zurich, Switzerland. (Same-day Tape)
TRACK AND FIELD: ESPN Thu. 1 p.m. Road Race (Taped)
VOLLEYBALL: FOXDT Fri. 1 p.m. Women's College Volleyball Colorado at Texas. (Taped)
WRESTLING: TNT Mon. 8 p.m. Wrestling WCW Monday Nitro. (Live)

GYMNASICS: ESPN Mon. 9 p.m. Gymnastics World Championship. From Tianjin, China. (Taped)
HOCKEY: FOXDT Sat. 7:30 p.m. NHL Hockey Philadelphia Flyers at Detroit Red Wings. From the Joe Louis Sports Arena in Detroit. (Live)
FOXTD Wed. 7:30 p.m. NHL Hockey San Jose Sharks at Detroit Red Wings. From the Joe Louis Sports Arena in Detroit. (Live)
EQUESTRIAN: ESPN Sat. 4 p.m. Horse Racing Spinster Stakes. From Keeneland in Lexington, Ky. (Live)
ESPNT Sat. 5 p.m. Horse Racing West Virginia Breeders' Classic. From Charles Town, W.Va.

BASKETBALL: TNT Fri. 8 p.m. Basketball McDonald's Open Championship Semifinal -- San Antonio Spurs vs. Team to Be Announced. From Milan, Italy. (Live)
TNT Fri. 10:30 p.m. Basketball McDonald's Open Championship Semifinal -- Zalgiris Kaunas vs. Team to Be Announced. From Milan, Italy. (Live)
WOOD Sat. 12 p.m.; WILX Sat. 12 p.m. Basketball McDonald's Open Championship Final -- Team to Be Announced vs. San Antonio Spurs. From Milan, Italy. (Live)
WVMT Sat. 7:30 p.m. NBA Preseason Basketball Detroit Pistons at Orlando Magic. From Memphis, Tenn. (Live)
FOXTD Sun. 7 p.m. NBA Preseason Basketball Dallas Mavericks at Detroit Pistons. (Live)
BILLIARDS: ESPN Tue. 10 p.m. Billiards Ultimate Nine-Ball Challenge. From Orlando, Fla. (Taped)
ESPNT Wed. 8:30 p.m. Billiards Ultimate Nine-Ball Challenge Final. From Orlando, Fla. (Taped)

RODEO: TNN Sun. 9 p.m. Championship Bull Riding Ohio. From Columbus, Ohio. (Taped)
RUGBY: FOXDT Wed. 1 p.m. Rugby Fiji vs. France. (Taped)
SKATING: TNN Fri. 9 p.m. RollerJam Wild West Shootout -- Teams to Be Announced. (Taped)
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CABLE CHANNELS. Table listing cable channels and their respective programming, including FX, FAM, MTV, VH1, USA, DISC, WGN, ESPN, CNN, CN2, NICK, A&E, FOX, TNT, TBS, DISN, TRN, TRAV, TLC, SCI-FI, COM, TWC, HIST, AMC, H&G, LIFE, TOON D, MSNBC, CSPAN, EWTN.

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MONDAY EVENING OCTOBER 18, 1999. BROADCAST CHANNELS. Table with columns for time slots (7:00-11:30) and rows for channels (WVMT, WOTV, WGVU, etc.) listing programs like 'Wheel of Fortune', 'Jeopardy!', 'King of Queens'.

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Pioneers champion 28-27 win against Red Arrows

The length of a football - telltale in battle of two OK White rivals.

It was a great high school football game

George Barcheski EGR Football Coach



Tom Dawson races through an opening in the line during first-half action against East Grand Rapids.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor
It was a great high school football game that had a little bit of everything. That's also the problem with great high school football games - "everything" includes one team losing. Lowell, gut-wrenchingly so, was that club Friday night. The Red Arrows lost a 28-27 thriller to OK White rival East Grand Rapids.

East Grand Rapids' punt with 2:16 left in the game, setting Lowell up on the Pioneer 35 yard line. Then, with less than 30 seconds on the clock, a Lowell 39-yard field goal attempt by Brady Foster fell just to the right of the upright. The opening 90 seconds of the game authored three touchdowns. The game ended in as dramatic a fashion as it opened. Trailing 28-27, Lowell's Neil Reimbold blocked an

Lowell's Josh Brown scored on the opening play of the game as he raced 80 yards around the right side for a touchdown. East answered one minute later on a 20-yard touchdown pass from Brandon Marshall to Jeff Eldersveld. The score was set up by an Eldersveld 60-yard kickoff return. With the score tied 7-7,

Brown took the Pioneer kickoff at the Lowell nine, ran up a couple of yards, faked a lateral pass back toward the Lowell sideline and then pitched the ball to Mark Catlin who raced 86 yards up the East sideline for a touchdown, giving the Red Arrows a 14-7 lead. "With all the hype in the opening minutes of the game

and Lowell's big plays, most teams may have folded up their tents, but this team came back." Pioneer coach George Barcheski exclaimed. "It's a great win. Our kids played well. It was a great high school football game." If East played well, then Eldersveld was simply splendid. The senior wide-out caught just three passes for

85 yards, but two were for touchdowns.

His last reception went for 47 yards and a go-ahead touchdown with 9:39 to play. "There is no one better than Eldersveld," Barcheski said.

While his receptions were big, the Pioneer's venerable coach was overly pleased with his club's running game. "I think a key was we ran the ball successfully in between the tackles," Barcheski said. "McDonald (Beau) ran his heart out for us tonight."

The senior halfback ran for 139 yards, including an eight-yard first-quarter touchdown run.

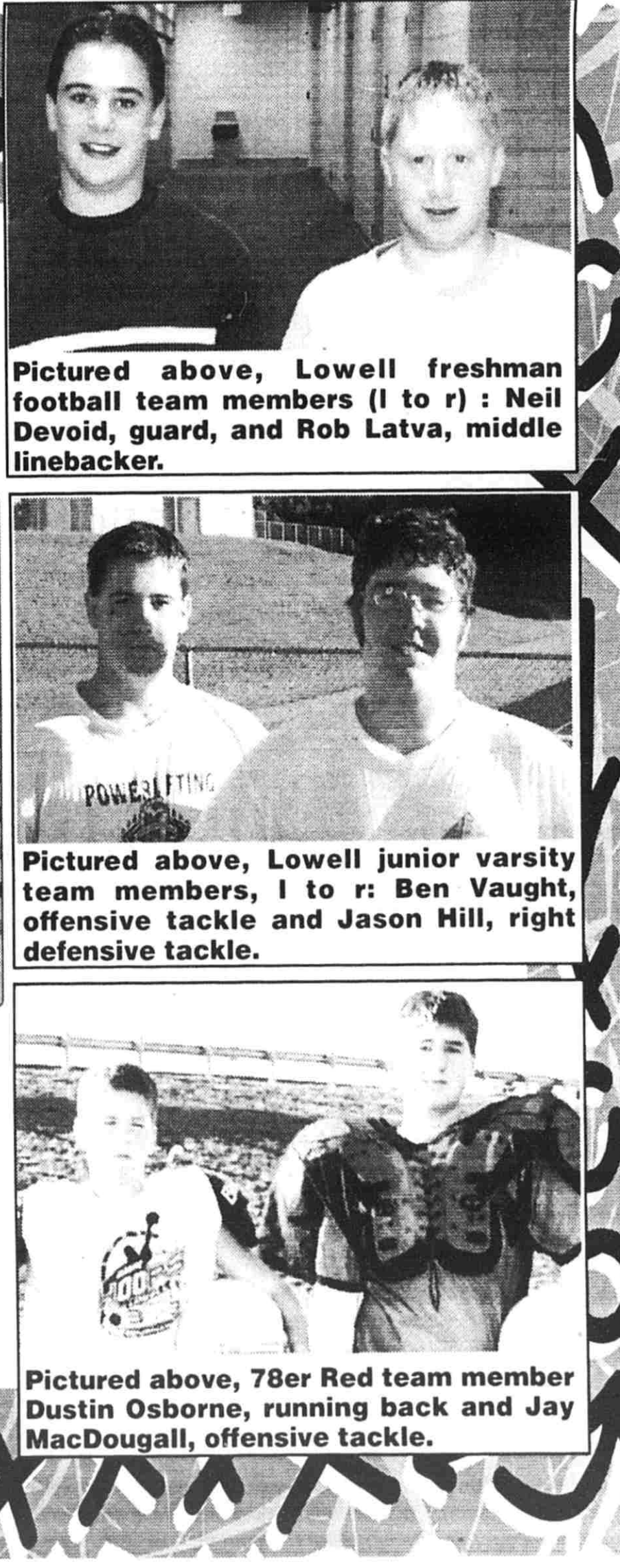
Leading 14-13, Lowell marched the ball 94 yards in nine plays with Brown scoring from three yards out. The big play in the drive was a 67-yard completion from Brown to Catlin.

East tied the game at 21-21 before the half on a five play, 72-yard scoring drive. It was highlighted by a 46-yard pass completion from Marshall to McDonald and a 20-yard touchdown pass from Marshall to Eldersveld. The Red Arrows took their opening possession of the second half and marched 67 yards. All but one of the 13 plays were runs. The one pass came on a 19-yard completion on a fourth down and eight. Lowell missed the

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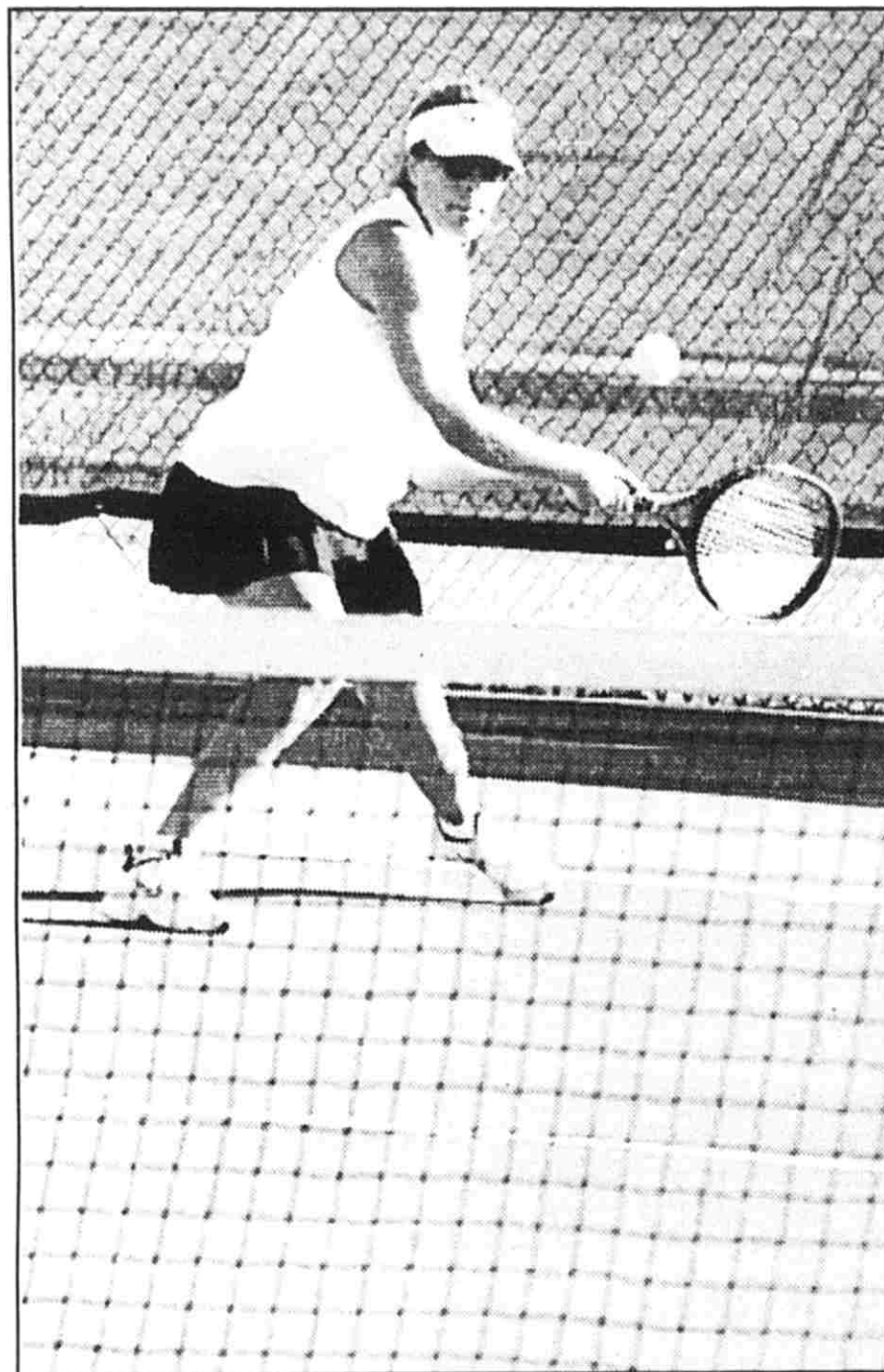
Pictured above, Lowell freshman football team members (l to r): Neil Devoid, guard, and Rob Latva, middle linebacker.

Pictured above, Lowell junior varsity team members, l to r: Ben Vaught, offensive tackle and Jason Hill, right defensive tackle.

Pictured above, 78er Red team member Dustin Osborne, running back and Jay MacDougall, offensive tackle.

Pictured above, 78er Black team member Alan Nugent, wide receiver/outside linebacker. Missing from picture is B.J. VanHaver, defensive end.





Laura Douglass

## Red Arrow netters sparkle in season-ending triumph over Cedar Springs

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Saving its best performance of the year for last, Lowell girls tennis team parlayed solid individual performances into a 7-1 team victory over Cedar Springs.

"It's the best tennis we've played all season," said an elated Lowell tennis coach Bonnie Wall. "The girls have shown tremendous improvement since the season started."

The Red Arrows finished the season with two wins, six losses and a tie.

Lowell placed ahead of Wyoming Park and Zeeland in the OK White conference meet, finishing sixth overall in the league. "That is the best Lowell has ever done in the league meet," Wall said.

In the regional meet over the weekend, the Red Arrow netters were eighth in a field of 11 teams with five points.

Lowell's first doubles team of Marianna Vieira and Virginia Bultema and third doubles team of Amanda Stouten and Erin Barnes both advanced to the semifinals before bowing out.

Katie Gunberg, second singles, advanced to the quarterfinals before losing.

In its nonconference match against Cedar Springs, Lowell swept the four singles matches.

Kim Meiste won in straight sets 6-0 and 7-6 (7-5 in the tie-breaker) against Kristi Baker.

Katie Gunberg trailed 3-0 in her opening set against Janet Hutchens, before battling back to win 7-5. The Red Arrow then stormed through the second set 6-0.

Jenny Gunberg, third singles, had an easier time of it against Julie Mueller, winning 6-1, 6-2.

Laura Douglass battled to a 7-6 (7-3 in the tie-breaker) first set win before blanking Cedar Springs' Jennie Benjamin 6-0 in the second set.

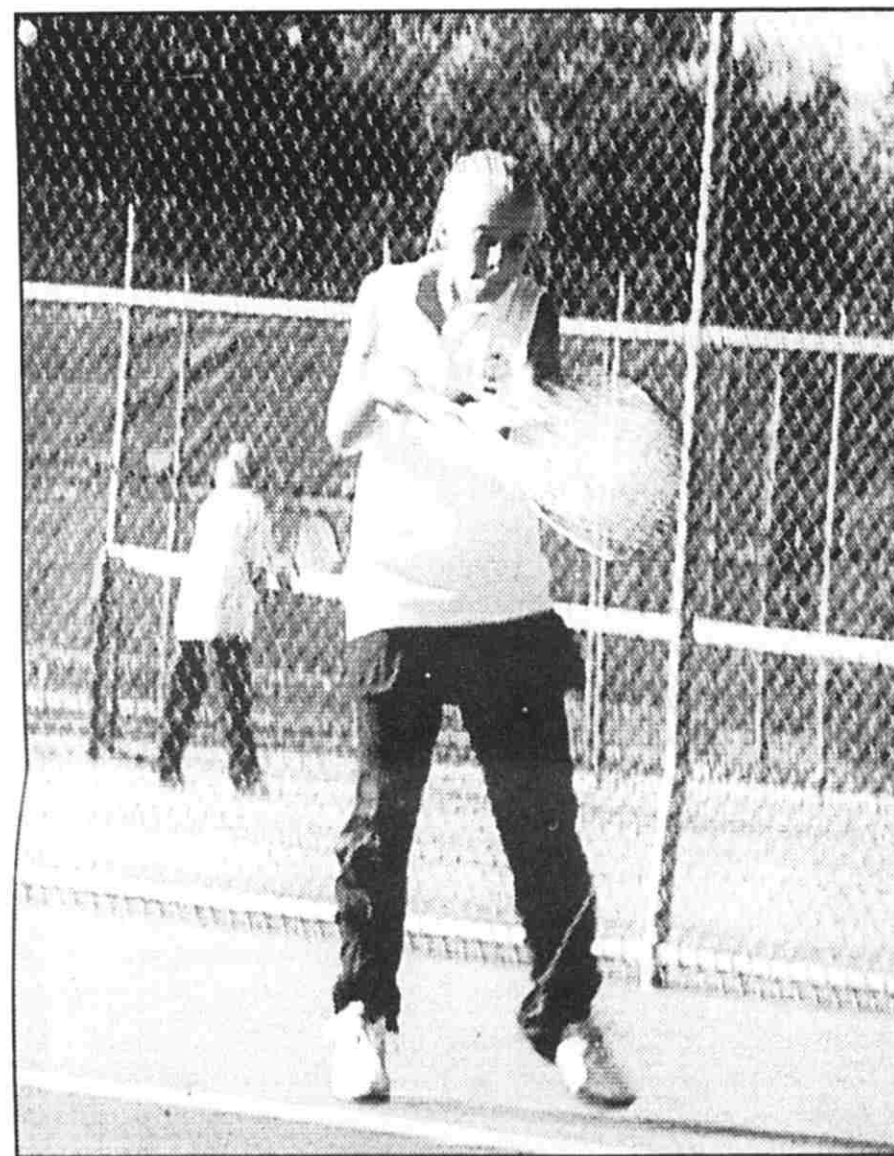
In first doubles play, Bultema and Vieira upended Stephanie Fisk and Tara Steers 6-0, 6-1.

Lowell's Lindsey Sage, playing with freshman Kristie Noal, defeated Kari Robinson and Betsy Fahlen 6-1, 6-1. It was Noal's first varsity match. "Kristie played extremely well," Wall said. "She and Sage worked well together."

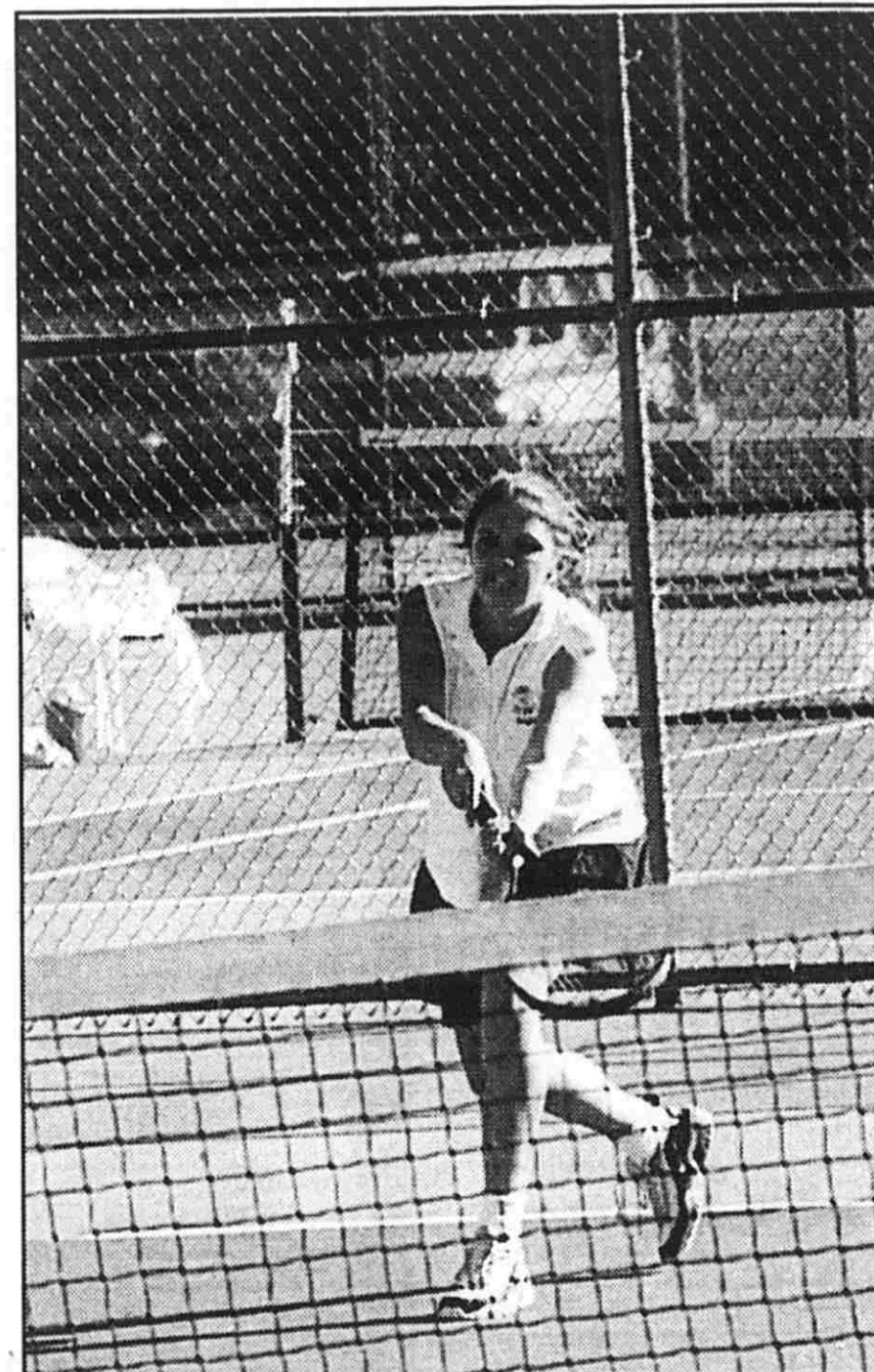
Stouten and Erin, third doubles, needed three sets before taming Audra VanderMolen and Joelle Jano 6-2, 2-6, 6-2.

Red Hawks' Mary Teesdale and Mica Lopez squeezed past Lowell's Amanda Lonick and Kelly Riddle in three sets 7-6 (9-7), 4-6, 6-2.

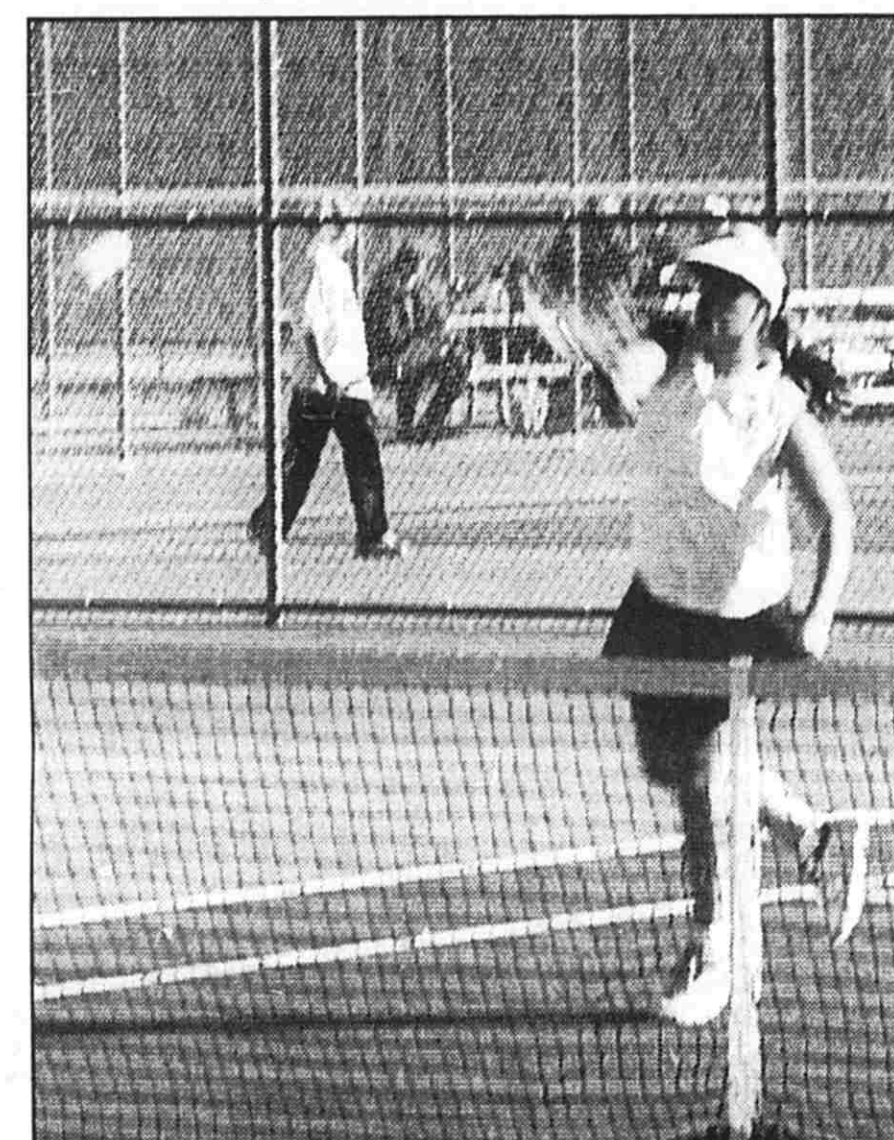
"We're getting better and have shown improvement. Now the girls need to work hard in the winter and spring," Wall said.



Jenny Gunberg



Virginia Bultema



Marianna Vieira

## Plattner leads Lowell harriers past EGR

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The Red Arrow girls cross country team improved its OK White conference record to 5-1 with its 17-39 win over East Grand Rapids.

Lowell took four of the top five spots.

"The girls' times keep improving. We're still working to get the times of our four, five and six runners down into the 21s," Lowell cross country coach Clay VanderWarf said.

Red Arrow Holly Plattner led all runners on the Hastings' course, stopping the clock in 20:35. "Holly ran a good race. I was happy to see her time in the 20s on a hilly course which had long upgrades," VanderWarf explained.

Lisa Wojciakowski, despite stumbling a couple of times, placed second in a time of 21:03. Katie Clements was third, just two seconds in back of Wojciakowski with a time of 21:05.

Molly Kirsch's time continued to drop as she came home in fifth with a time of 22:04. Katie Anderson was sixth in 22:16.

The Pioneers were led by Betsy Fraiser's time of 21:38. She was followed by teammates Katie Smith, seventh, 22:20; Kim Humphries, eighth, 22:37; Kaitlin VanPatten, ninth, 22:55; and Shelby Wittenbach, 11th, 23:07.

## Lowell boy harriers pickup second league win

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell boys cross country team claimed its second league win of the year as it defeated East Grand Rapids 22-33.

"East hung with us throughout much of the race," Lowell boys cross country coach Clay VanderWarf said. "We, however, had a stronger finish."

Lowell's Dan Rottier led all runners. He stopped the clock in 18:12. Red Arrow Mike Armstrong was second, finishing in 18:29.

Red Arrow Caleb O'Boyle, fourth, came off the course in 18:58.

Teammates Mike Wierenga (19:28) and Derek Harmon (19:47) were sixth and ninth respectively.

"The boys did a great job in a tough race. They ran a strong last quarter mile," VanderWarf explained.

Nick Fisher, third, led all Pioneers with a time of 18:34. He was followed by James Hice, fifth, 19:00; Don Chafee, seventh, 19:30; Nick Hindley, eighth, 19:32; Ted Lascari, 10th, 19:56.

## Red Arrow soccer team bounces back with wins against Northview and Wyoming Park

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The soccer teams at Lowell and Wyoming Park know what it means to go the distance.

Troy Gillan's goal in the second overtime lifted Lowell's soccer team to a 1-0 win over Wyoming Park.

It was the second time this year the Red Arrows and the Vikings have gone the distance before the outcome was decided.

Earlier this season, the two teams played to a double overtime, 1-1 tie.

"I'm proud of the way our kids held together and

Lowell 5  
Northview 1

guttled it out," said Lowell soccer coach Chris Barlow. "Because of injuries we had a number of kids playing new positions."

Lowell has lost Ryan Phillips (broken collarbone), John TenWalde (separated shoulder) and John Webb (broken arm) for the season.

The Red Arrow defense gave the Vikings very few scoring opportunities. "I was very happy with our overall play and especially our defensive effort," Barlow said.

"Jake Billingsley continued to give us great play in the net. He has had an excellent year."

assist on goals." Lowell got two goals from Mark Maatman and single goals from Chris Cress, Richie Ford and Troy Gillan.

Tallying assists were Joe Giuliano, Ryan Phillips (2), T.J. Forward and Jim Jastifer.

Lowell outshot Northview 21-10.

Jake Billingsley recorded seven saves.

"We came out in the second half and shelled them," Barlow said.

Lowell finished the week at 4-5-1 in the OK White and 6-5-2 overall.

## Linksters finish league season

Lowell boys varsity golf team shot a 388 at the par 72 L.E. Kaufman course, placing last in the OK White Conference meet.

Central won it with a team total 316. They were followed by East Grand Rapids 326, Zeeland 330, Hudsonville 335, Wyoming Park 342, Hastings 347, Northview 353 and Lowell.

The conference medalist was Zeeland's Joe Stefan (75). Lowell had a team-leading 93 from Kyle Hines. Teammate Dave Rozema fired a 97 followed by Joe Patterson's 98. Wade Gilchrist carded a 100.

## Red Arrow frosh bounce East

A Beau Wilder 10-yard touchdown run broke up a 14-14 tie and propelled Lowell's freshman football team to a 34-22 win over East Grand Rapids.

Lowell trailed EGR 6-0 in the first quarter until Steve Shepard raced 39 yards around the right end to give Lowell a 7-6 lead.

Minutes later, Shepard took a Pioneer punt and returned it 65 yards along the left sideline for a go-ahead touchdown.

Right before halftime, East threatened to tie the game, but Lowell's defense rose up and stopped the Pioneers down around the five-yard line.

"Wilder really picked the team up in the second half with his running and determination," said Lowell coach Bob Jackson.

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## Card of Thanks

Thank you to all of the Lowell High School students, past and present, friends of Scott Pullen; your visits while he was in the hospital and also recovering at home have been phenomenal.

Mr. Vashaw, coach Bush, the high school faculty, the office staff, the bus driver and the student service center have also provided our family with tremendous support and constant reassurance during Scott's recovery. Your visits, cards, letters, calls and gifts have been uplifting.

To the parents of Scott's friends, team members, cheerleaders, football players and girls basketball players; your cards and letters, gifts and goodies, flowers and balloons, meals and food items and calls and visits have been inspirational.

Thanks to coach Dean and the football team for giving Scott the game ball. Your thoughtfulness shows tremendous character.

Thanks to the people who have given Sean rides home and including him in activities that Scott would have normally covered.

Thanks to the Lowell parents and students at the scene of the accident who offered Scott comfort and aid.

Thanks to Mr. Vashaw and family who called the parents from the accident scene and then stayed with us in the emergency room. We are fortunate to have a principal so compassionate and dedicated. Special thanks to the Valentine, Foster and Mix families. They spent many hours waiting with us that night too. Thanks to those who kept us in their thoughts and prayers that night as well.

Thanks to Mr. Bleke for calling Scott at home to check on his progress.

Thanks to Patty Sellner for working with Scott and spending personal time developing a physical therapy program for Scott.

Thanks to all the students who are now making sure that Scott gets around school safely and easily.

Thanks to the Ledger staff for their two articles and for checking on Scott's recovery.

We appreciate everyone's thoughts and prayers. It is a true testament to the special people in the community of Lowell.

Sincerely,  
Pat, Charlotte, Scott & Sean Pullen  
Jeff & Kim (Pullen) Lugen  
Ryan & Amy (Pullen) Peterson

## Minus starting point guard, Red Arrow defense picks up the slack in 40-35 win over Saxons

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell girls basketball team has suffered five defeats so far this season.

Bethany Fredline's sprained knee may be a bigger loss than any of those. How long she will be out is still unknown.

Fredline, who is Lowell's leading scorer (15 per game), point guard and leader, is likely to be out for the year.

"I feel sorry for Bethany. She is one of the best point guards in the league. Many teams didn't pressure us because of Bethany," Lowell coach Ken Akers said.

"We have to find someone to step up and take the role of point guard."

When Fredline went down in the first half, Lowell led by three. By halftime, Zeeland led Lowell by 10.

"To our girls' credit, they came out in the third quarter and cut Zeeland's lead to six (37-31) by the start of the fourth quarter," Akers said.

Missing its leader and answer to the press, Lowell struggled in over the final eight minutes against Zeeland's pressure. The Chix outscored Lowell 16-0 in the final stanza.

Amanda Stoutjesdyk led all Lowell scorers with 13 points. Vashaw netted seven points, and Jodi Seif and Elissa Kinney both tallied six points apiece.

center also grabbed 15 rebounds.

Kelly Chapman and Blair Meyer both tallied six points apiece.

Laura Geurink scored a game-high 14 points for Zeeland.

Lowell 40  
Hastings 35

A strong team defensive effort keyed Lowell's five-point win over the Saxons.

"Our defensive effort was very good," Lowell girls basketball coach Ken Akers said. "All the girls stepped up and contributed."

The Red Arrows held Hastings' Virginia Jennings to 12 points.

Lowell trailed 10-8 after one quarter of play. It rallied to take a one point (15-14) halftime lead. The Red Arrows outscored the Saxons 25-21 in the second half.

"We had led by seven and Hastings cut the lead to three when Lauren Vashaw hit a key three-point bucket for us in the second half," Akers said.

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## JV football team defeats Pioneers

Behind two first-half touchdowns by Travis Devoid and one by Bill Harrison, Lowell built a 21-0 lead and then went on to defeat East Grand Rapids 44-25.

The Red Arrow junior varsity team led 21-6 at halftime.

EGR scored early in the

third quarter to cut the deficit to 21-13.

Touchdowns by Matt Barry and Harrison squelched any hopes of an East comeback.

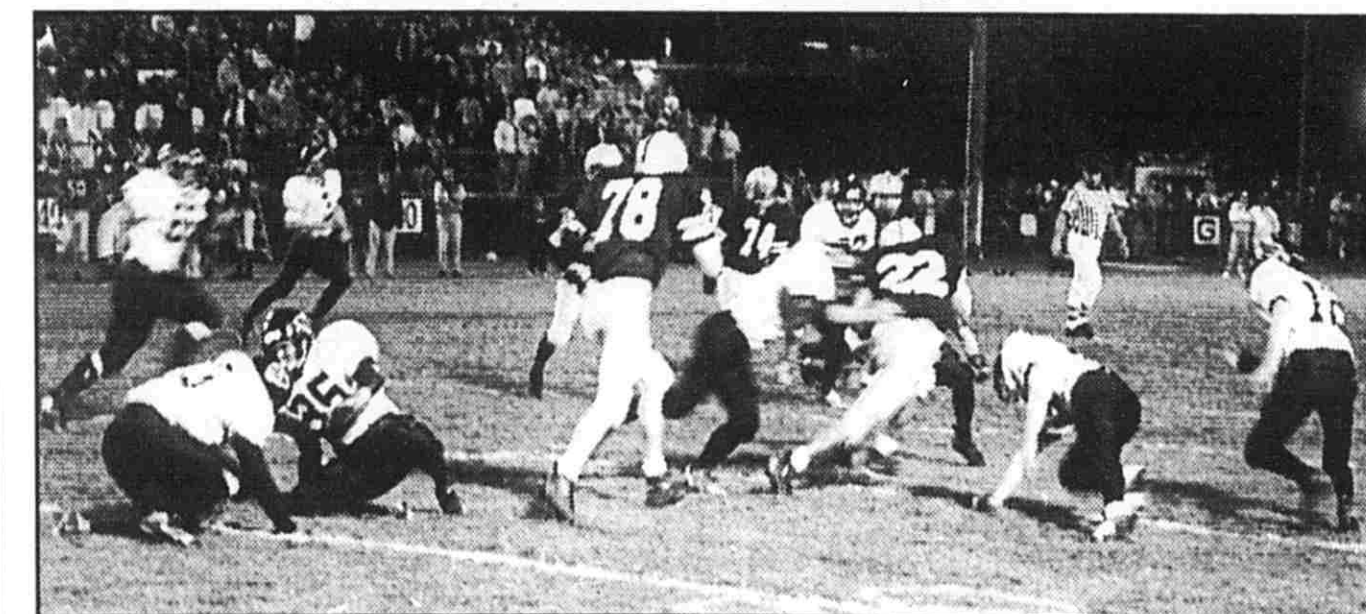
"We have two big games left and we need to work

harder than we have all season," said Lowell junior varsity football coach Jeff McDonald. "We have to play error-free games if we are to win and end the season on an upswing."

"The boys did a great job in a tough race. They ran a strong last quarter mile," VanderWarf explained.

Nick Fisher, third, led all Pioneers with a time of 18:34. He was followed by James Hice, fifth, 19:00; Don Chafee, seventh, 19:30; Nick Hindley, eighth, 19:32; Ted Lascari, 10th, 19:56.

## Football, cont'd... From Page 23



Lowell defenders close in on Pioneer Beau McDonald (#22).

extra point and led 27-21.

"We got some big plays, but never really were able to get into a rhythm offensively," Lowell football coach Noel Dean said. "East has some talented athletes on the outside."

Lowell rushed the ball for 189 yards. "Their speed is lethal," Barcheski said. "I thought our defense coaches prepared our kids well. We did a good job of shutting down their fullback dive and quarterback."

The loss drops Lowell to 3-2 in the OK White and 5-2 overall. East is now 4-1 overall and is tied for first with Hastings and Hudsonville. The Eagles defeated the Saxons 24-14 Friday night.

Lowell hosts its final home game of the '99 campaign Friday night against the Chix from Zeeland.

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# COMING EVENTS

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**EVERY MONTH:** The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse at 11841 Potters Rd. Just east of Montcalm Ave. To check meeting dates and times please call, 897-5015 for a recorded message. Guests are welcome.

**FIRST MONDAY:** Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) meets at the High School during lunch periods in the cafeteria for updates on coming events and information.

**EVERY SECOND MONDAY:** Attention mothers of preschoolers. MOPS meetings are held at Saranac Community Church, 125 S. Bridge St. Cost is \$3 and meetings are from 9:45 a.m. - noon. Everyone is welcome. Come enjoy crafts, food, free child care and new friends. For information call Meghan at 616-642-6748 or Trisha at 616-527-1333.

**SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH:** The Lowell Area Schools Board of Education meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Administration Building located in the former Runciman Elementary, 300 High Street.

**SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH:** The Bowne Township Historical Society will hold its regular meetings at the Historical Museum at 84th and Alden Nash. The meeting is at 7:30 p.m.

**FOURTH MONDAY OF EACH MONTH:** American Legion Clark-Ellis Post 152 at Lowell V.F.W. Hall, 307 E. Main St. at 8 p.m.

**EVERY 1ST MONDAY:** V.F.W. Post 8303 meets at the V.F.W. Clubroom, 307 E. Main St. Lowell at 7:30 p.m.

**EVERY MON.:** Boy Scout Troop 102, for boys 11 & up or completing the 5th-grade, will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. during the school year in the Scout Cabin at the end of N. Washington Street. Enjoy activities like hiking and camping and learn skills that can last a lifetime. For more information call Terry Cavanaugh, 868-6481.

**TUESDAYS:** Take Off

Pounds Sensibly Tops M#372 meets every Tuesday evening at Key Heights Mobile Home Park Community Building. Weigh-ins at 5:45 p.m.

**TUESDAYS:** Flat River Woodcarvers are meeting at LAAC from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. New members welcome.

**EVERY SECOND & FOURTH TUES.:** Qua-Ke-Zik Sportsmen's Club meets, 8 p.m. at the Club building, 1400 Foreman Road, Lowell.

**EVERY FOURTH TUES.:** Showboat Board meeting, 7 p.m. at the Lowell Township office.

**EVERY SECOND TUES.:** Lowell Masonic Lodge regular meeting, 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Center, 119 Lincoln Lake, Lowell. All Masons are welcome.

**EVERY TUES.:** Ladies Coffee Break Bible study. Free nursery and preschool story hour/crafts time. Calvary Christian Reformed Church across from Burger King, 10 to 11:15 a.m. For information call 897-6462 or 897-7555.

**EVERY 1ST & 3RD TUESDAY:** Lowell Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Look Memorial Fire Station, South Hudson, Lowell.

**EVERY 3RD TUES.:** Parents of children with AD/HD Issues Group meeting at St. Lukes Lutheran Church, 32156 4 Mile NE (at 4 Mile and East Beltline) at 7 p.m. For info., call Linda at 874-5662. For teen group info, call Sarah 281-6588.

**EVERY 1ST TUES.:** Adults with AD/HD Issues Group meeting at Calvin College Rm. 206 of the Commons bldg. For information call Connie 942-6887.

**EVERY OTHER WED.:** 6:45 - 8:45 p.m. G.E.M.S. Girls Club at Calvary Christian Reformed Church. All Girls ages 8 to 13 are welcome. Call 897-8694 for information.

**WEDNESDAY:** Rollaway Ltd. Senior Bowling, 1 p.m., 55 and over.

**WEDNESDAYS:** 8 p.m. ALANON meets at Lowell Congregational Church.

**FIRST WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH:** Alzheimers Support Group meets at 6:30 p.m. at Cumberland Retirement Village. Phone 897-9310 for information.

**EVERY SECOND WEDNESDAY:** G.F.W.C. Lowell Women's Club meets at noon in the community room at Schneider Manor, 725 Bowes Rd.

**SECOND WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH:** 2 to 3:30 p.m., Family Council for the Laurels of Kent Nursing Home. This is a volunteer group formed to enhance the quality of life for all the residents. Interested persons are welcome to meet in the Activity Room, Wing "C."

**EVERY FOURTH WEDNESDAY:** Elderly volunteers needed to participate in the Intergenerational Program with school age children from Lowell in many different seasonal activities. Two times available: 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. or 12:45 to 1:45 p.m. Call Sister Colleen Ann Nagle, F.S.E. at the Franciscan Child Development Center, 897-7842.

**EVERY WEDNESDAY:** DivorceCare meets at 7 p.m. at the Helping Hands Child Care Center, 1188 Lincoln Lake Rd. This support and recovery program is for all adults experiencing divorce or separation. For more information, call (616) 897-6890.

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**THURSDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops MI, No. 333.** Saranac, meets every Thursday evening at the Saranac Public Library. Weigh-ins at 6:45 p.m.

**THURSDAYS:** Weight Watchers meets in Lowell at the Nazarene Church, 201 N. Washington, at 7 p.m. Registration is a half hour before meetings. New members are invited to join at any time. Questions? Call 1-800-651-6000.

**EVERY THURS. - St. Mary's Pregnancy Crisis Center, 402 Amity St., non-denominational-help for pregnant women and adolescents at the school. From 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. and on Mondays from 5:30 - 8 p.m. Phone 897-9393.**

**FIRST THURSDAY:** 4H drama club meeting. The club examines theater related topics, creative and personal development skills. Meetings held once a month at Lowell Middle

School choir room. For more information call 897-1502 evenings after 5 p.m.

**FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY:** The Alto Lions Club meets at Bowne Center Fellowship Hall, corner of 84th & M-50 (Alden Nash) at 7 p.m.

**EVERY 2ND THURS.:** N.A.R.F.E. meets 1:30 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 2700 E. Fulton.

**EVERY SECOND THURSDAY:** Lowell V.F.W. Auxiliary No. 8303 meets at 3:30 p.m. at the V.F.W. Post, 307 W. Main Street, Lowell.

**EVERY THIRD THURSDAY:** Royal Arch Masons regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Lowell Masonic Center, 119 Lincoln Lake, Lowell. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

**EVERY THIRD THURSDAY:** LaLeche League of Ada, Cascade & Lowell meets at 6:30 p.m. for socializing with meeting at 7 p.m. Mother to mother support for pregnant & breastfeeding women. Nursing children are welcome to attend. Our current location is a church in Ada. Call Janet 897-6845 or Rebecca, 897-6734 for more information.

**SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH:** The Ada Historical Society meets at the Averill Historical Museum of Ada, 7144 Headley at 7 p.m.

**SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH:** Fellowship of Christian athletes (FCA) meets in individual homes for huddle meetings for fellowship and devotions.

**THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH:** Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) meets in the high school cafeteria during seminar time for planning sessions for activities.

**THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH:** West Michigan Parents of Murdered Children & Other Survivors of Homicide (POMC) meets at Trinity United Methodist Church, 1100 Lake Dr. SE, 7 p.m., Discovery Room. Contact person, Danni Smith, Chapter leader 897-2544; Oct. 21: Guest speaker John Stroo, Stroo Funeral Home. Informal sharing; Questions & Answers; refreshments.

**FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH:** Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) meets at 7 a.m. in high school teachers dining

room for a light breakfast. For information concerning FCA call Kris Gallagher at 676-1355 or Linda Johnson at 897-4922.

**EVERY SAT.** Lowell Amateur Radio Club sponsors the 145.270 - repeater which operates on a 24-hour basis. Also there is a Simplex Frequency 147.420 PL 186.2.

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**WED., OCT. 13:** Snow United Methodist Church will serve a family-style beef & pork dinner at 5:30 p.m. Adults, \$7; 5-12, \$2.

**SAT., OCT. 16:** Bowne Center United Methodist

Church (corner of Alden Nash (M-50) & 84th St., Alto) will sponsor a Swiss steak dinner from 5-7 p.m. Adults \$6; children 6-12, \$3; under 6 free.

**TUES., OCT. 26:** The Lowell Middle School eighth-grade drama class will present a humorously modernized version of the great Greek tale *Hercules* at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria at 750 Foreman. The public is invited and admission is free.

**WEEKENDS OCT. 30 - NOV. 7:** Qua-Ke-Zik Sportsman's Club Annual Sight-In, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., rain or shine, 11400 Foreman Rd. \$4 per gun, targets, rests & spotting scopes provided. Call 897-7635 (Sun. a.m. or Tues. eves.) for information.

**SUNDAYS. THRU OCT. 24:** The Historic Saranac Depot-Museum, Bridge St., will be open from 1-4 p.m.

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**TUES.:** 8:30 a.m. Walking, Woodland Mall; 10:40 a.m., armchair exercise.

#### Special Events

**WED., OCT. 13:** Noon, Movie "I was a Male War Bride"

**MON., OCT. 18:** 12:40 p.m., Shop Walmart.

**WED., OCT. 20:** 9:30 a.m., Advisory Council.

**THURS., OCT. 21:** Noon, Dance, Westside Complex.

(Dinner reservations should be made 3 working days in advance)

**WED.:** 12:40 p.m. Shopping assistance at Family Fare.

**THURS:** 9:00 a.m. Walk at the malls; 9:30 a.m., Crafts; 1:00 p.m., Euchre.

**FRI.:** 8:30 a.m. Walking-Woodland Mall.

**FRI., OCT. 22:** 11:15, Lunch Greenville Senior Center & tour of Greenville Historical Museum & Klackles Orchard.

**WED., OCT. 27:** 8 a.m., Women's breakfast.

**FRI., OCT. 29:** Halloween pot luck lunch.

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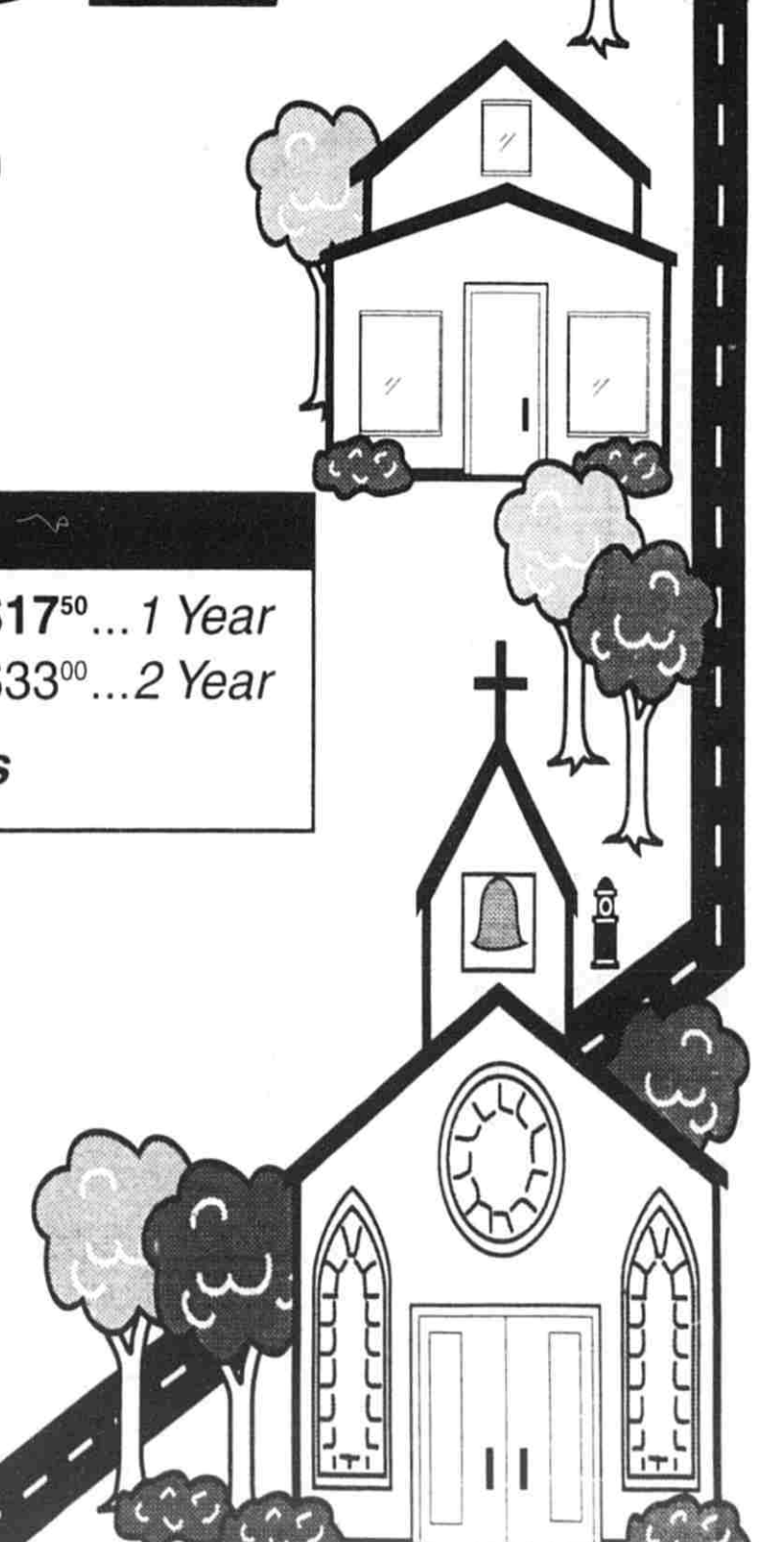
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### Lowell woman injured in Monday accident



A Lowell woman was transported to St. Mary's Hospital following a two-car crash at the intersection of Vergennes and Lincoln Lake Avenue.

Jackie Bennett, Lowell, was injured when the car she was riding in failed to safely cross the intersection.

Timothy Nowak, Lowell, was eastbound on Vergennes when he stopped at the intersection and then proceeded to cross Vergennes into the path of a northbound vehicle on Lincoln Lake Avenue, according to the Kent County Sheriff Department.

A northbound car driven by Richard Cairns, of Gowen, clipped Nowak in the passenger side where Bennett was sitting.

### Motorcycle skids off Vergennes

A driver of a motorcycle was transported to St. Mary's Hospital following an accident late Monday night on Vergennes Road west of Boynton.

According to the Kent County Sheriff Department's report, the driver was shifting gears when the bike skidded out of control.

The driver was charged with operating the vehicle while under the influence, driving with a suspended license and for possession of marijuana.

Names were not released.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Independent Probate

ESTATE OF WINIFRED HARDING deceased  
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TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:

The decedent, whose last known address was 2135 COLLINGWOOD SW, WYOMING, MI 49509 died March 11, 1999. An instrument dated June 6, 1967 has been admitted as the will of the deceased.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, DALE HARDING, 1961 E. 88th STREET, NEWAYGO, MI 49337, or to both the independent personal representative and the KENT COUNTY PROBATE COURT, 320 Ottawa NW, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice.

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# LMS 8th grade drama class to present "Hercules"

The Lowell Middle School eighth grade drama class, under the direction of Cheryl Blodgett, will present the adventure, *Hercules* on Tuesday, Oct. 26.

In this humorously modernized version of the Greek tale, Zeus, the head of the gods, decides his son Hercules ought to have a constellation named after him to help raise his self-confidence.

However, "Hercy's" jealous step-mom, Hera, wants her own constellation.

Hercules happens to be in love with the lovely Megara so Hera rigs a plan with the very weird Medusa, to mess things up for our hero, by poisoning Hercy's girlfriend with an anti-love potion. The only way Hercules can win back Megara's love is to complete nine outrageously impossible labors. The problem is... Hercules is just a mere mortal!

Come and enjoy a very fun and free evening of entertainment, and learn how our hero overcomes adversity through the strength of love. *Hercules* will be presented in the LMS cafeteria at 7:30 p.m.

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Pictured are cast members of *Hercules*: Front row, left to right: Josh Pullen, Jayne DeLiefde and Clayton Marvel; middle row: Heather Becker, Ashlee Jones, Helen Crimmins and Jamie Clark; back row: Dan Miller, Stefany Bieber and Mike Jansma.



Pictured are cast members of *Hercules*: Front row, left to right: Andrea Kropf, John Truskowski, Jacqueline Vos and Chane Butler; middle row: Eric Sytsma (Zeus), Zach Horan (Hercules) and Leslie Koehn (Hera); back row: Brittney Taylor, Lynda Horsley (Medusa), Jamie Fink and Josh Anderson.

Not pictured: Amanda Bouwkamp and Amanda Yakes.

## LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION POSTING AND NOTICE OF ACTION

CASE NO. 99-09174-DM HALL OF JUSTICE 333 MONROE AVE. N.W. GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49503

CRUZ MARIA PEREZ PLAINTIFF SS# 138-62-8681 1214 Whiting, S.W. Wyoming, MI 49509

vs.

JUAN PEREZ DEFENDANT SS# 150-34-0046 Whereabouts Unknown

TO JUAN PEREZ, DEFENDANT:

IT IS ORDERED: You are being sued by plaintiff in this court for a DIVORCE. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before

DECEMBER 1, 1999.

If you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

A copy of this order shall be published once each week in The Lowell Ledger three consecutive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court.

A copy of this order shall be sent to JUAN PEREZ at the last known address of 632 Griggs, NE, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504 by registered mail, return receipt requested, before the date of the last publication and the affidavit of mailing shall be filed with this court.

September 20, 1999 Judge Dennis B. Leiber

LEGAL AID OF WESTERN MICHIGAN BY: Leslie C. Curry (P31222) Attorney for Plaintiff 89 Ionia NW Suite 400 Grand Rapids, MI 49503 (616) 774-0672, ext. 116

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## LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Independent Probate

ESTATE OF HUBERT LOWRY deceased SS# 375-28-2560 FILE NO. 99-168,158-IE

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:

The decedent, whose last known address was 12332 CASCADE ROAD, LOWELL, MI 49331 died September 14, 1999. An instrument dated November 29, 1994 has been admitted as the will of the deceased.

Creditors of the deceased

are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, CECILIA M. LOWRY, 12332 CASCADE ROAD, LOWELL, MI 49331 or to both the independent personal representative and the KENT COUNTY PROBATE COURT, 320 Ottawa NW, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice.

Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

MICHAEL J. TUMMINO, JR. (P21618) 311 East Main Street Lowell, MI 49331 (616) 897-5931



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HELP WANTED - Part-time, Small Admiral, 2222 W. Main.

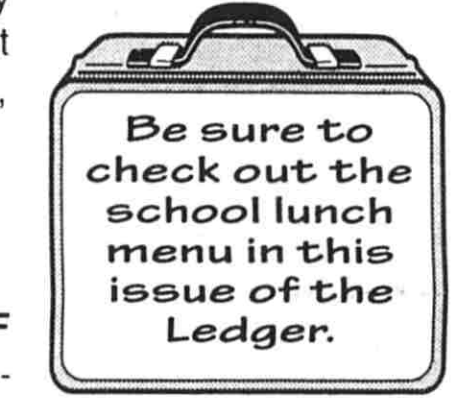
LOVE YOUR JOB? - Can't wait to get to work each morning? Impossible? Maybe not! Supervise staff & residents in a specialized adult foster care home in Lowell. We are looking for someone who can direct a motivated group of staff to provide the best possible supports for adults with developmental disabilities. One-year experience with developmental disabilities & high school diploma or GED required. Starting wage \$22,060. More for experience & training. Benefits! Call Jeff at (616) 248-0106 or 897-8261 for more information. EEO/AA/H.

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HELP WANTED - kitchen help, line cooks & utility. Thornapple Bistro, call Tim or Mark at 676-1233.



FOR SALE

FOR SALE - 1992 GMC Safari mini van, V6 engine, 67,000 miles, very clean, runs great, 1 owner, non-smoker, towing pkg. \$5,500 obo. Call 868-6173 days; 868-6313 after 5:30 p.m.

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FOR SALE - '93 Ford Taurus wagon, 93,000 road miles, excellent condition, runs great. \$4,800. Call 897-0128.

FOR SALE - King size waterbed, cherry Victorian 4 poster. Drawers, newer anti-wave mattress. Pretty good shape. Needs new liner. \$150. Call Roger days 897-9261 or 897-5381 eves.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE - 1994 black Olds Cutlass, air conditioning, cruise, power locks & windows. Pioneer sound system w/remote-CD player. Great shape. 897-8893.

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FOR RENT - nice 2 bedroom house in country. Lowell/Saranac area. Will be accepting applications. Call 897-5359 eves.

SALES

3-FAMILY GARAGE SALE - One day only! Sat., Oct. 16, 9-5 p.m. Lots of nice clothing, including winter coats, nice bedding & household goods. 11770 Lally. From Lincoln Lake go west on 4 Mile Rd. to Alden Nash to Lally.

SALES

STORE FIXTURE/EQUIP. LIQUIDATION - 100's of items! Display shelving; cash safes; frame shops & craft equipment; phone systems; floor buffers; compressors; office furn.; more! Everything goes cheap. Make offers at this "Old America" store only: Lansing, 5625 W. Saginaw Hwy. (517) 886-0414. Business as usual at ALL other stores! (800) 613-6865, www.nrel.com, 10% Buyers Premium.

GARAGE SALE - 11-4 p.m. Fri. & Sat. Arc welder, Cherry bookcase, queen bookcase headboard, leather bomber jacket, copper boiler, misc. 745 Flat River. Cancel if rain.

ESTATE SALE - Thurs., Oct. 14, 9:30-3:30, 2 complete twin beds, 1 extra long, dressers, battery operated wheel chair, hide-a-bed, kitchen table w/4 chairs, etc. 725 Bowes Rd. F-2 (Schneider Manor).

SERVICES

CHILD CARE & PRESCHOOL OPENINGS - for 3-6 year-olds at Big Steps Little Feet Christian Child Care in Ada. 682-8300.

TWO GIRLS & A DAYCARE - has 2 full-time openings. 84th Street & Alden Nash. 868-7094.

IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN A GOOD THOROUGH HOUSECLEANING - Call Peggy at 897-9440. References available.

CHIMNEY REPAIR - Brick, block & stone masonry work. Call 897-0698.

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UNCLE PAT'S PUMPKIN PATCH NOW OPEN - Crafts, hayrides, pumpkins. Sat. & Sun. 10-5 p.m. M-21 4 miles W. of Lowell.

EAVES TROUGH CLEANING - I'll clean your eaves when the trees lose their leaves. Maximum \$35, less for smaller homes. Call 616-522-0897.

IN MEMORIAM

IN MEMORIAM In loving memory of our husband, dad, grandpa and son who passed away 9 years ago October 8, 1990

You gave so much of yourself to all That tender heart that was never small. We loved; we laughed everyday we had. What a wonderful man, husband, grandpa and dad.

Though our lives have changed, you're always here. Our hearts and minds still hold you near. Your work on this earth was finally complete. So God took you home for Him to meet.

As your light shines bright in the Heaven above, All of us here miss your kindness and love. As time marches in we'll miss you each day.

Until we reach Heaven where together we'll stay. Happy Birthday, October 12

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# Three LHS students exceed state standards on all four High School Proficiency Tests

•••• There were 33 Lowell High School students who opted not to take the test.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

## 1999 HIGH SCHOOL MEAP TEST MATHEMATICS

East Grand Rapids	89
Forest Hills	87
Caledonia	80
Lowell	79
Rockford	79
Wyoming	77
Northview	75
Kentwood	73
Sparta	73
Byron Center	69
Grandville	69
Comstock Park	68
Kenowa Hills	67
Thornapple Kellogg	64
Kent City	61
Godwin Heights	60
Godfrey Lee	59
Cedar Springs	57
Grand Rapids Public	53
Kelloggsville	53

## 1999 HIGH SCHOOL MEAP TEST SCIENCE

Forest Hills	77
Wyoming	76
East Grand Rapids	73
Byron Center	72
Northview	71
Rockford	70
Lowell	68
Kentwood	62
Sparta	62
Godfrey Lee	58
Kenowa Hills	57
Comstock Park	55
Caledonia	54
Grandville	53
Thornapple Kellogg	53
Cedar Springs	52
Kelloggsville	47
Godwin Heights	45
Kent City	39
Grand Rapids Public	36

## 1999 HIGH SCHOOL MEAP TEST WRITING

Northview	75
Wyoming	74
East Grand Rapids	72
Rockford	72
Forest Hills	71
Comstock Park	66
Lowell	65
Byron Center	64
Caledonia	57
Godfrey Lee	56
Kenowa Hills	56
Kentwood	54
Sparta	54
Grandville	52
Grand Rapids Public	51
Thornapple Kellogg	51
Cedar Springs	48
Godwin Heights	47
Kelloggsville	47
Kent City	35

## 1999 HIGH SCHOOL MEAP TEST READING

Forest Hills	90
Byron Center	88
East Grand Rapids	87
Northview	85
Wyoming	83
Lowell	78
Rockford	77
Kentwood	76
Caledonia	75
Comstock Park	74
Kenowa Hills	73
Godfrey Lee	71
Grandville	71
Sparta	71
Kent City	68
Thornapple Kellogg	68
Cedar Springs	63
Kelloggsville	63
Godwin Heights	61
Grand Rapids Public	53

\* Above, are the percentage of students who met or exceeded state standards in math, science, reading and writing.

\* Below, are the percentage of students who scored at the lowest functioning level on the four tests.

### Lowell Area Schools 1999 HIGH SCHOOL MEAP TEST MATHEMATICS - Level 4 (Not Endorsed)

Grand Rapids Public	29
Kelloggsville	24
Godfrey Lee	23
Cedar Springs	20
Godwin Heights	20
Thornapple Kellogg	18
Grandville	17
Kent City	17
Comstock Park	15
Kentwood	15
Kenowa Hills	14
Byron Center	12
Northview	12
Rockford	11
Sparta	11
Lowell	9
Caledonia	8
Wyoming	8
East Grand Rapids	6
Forest Hills	4

### Lowell Area Schools 1999 HIGH SCHOOL MEAP TEST SCIENCE - Level 4 (Not Endorsed)

Grand Rapids Public	33
Kent City	27
Kelloggsville	25
Godfrey Lee	23
Godwin Heights	21
Cedar Springs	18
Comstock Park	18
Grandville	18
Kenowa Hills	15
Kentwood	14
Thornapple Kellogg	12
Byron Center	11
Rockford	11
Caledonia	10
Northview	10
Sparta	9
Wyoming	8
East Grand Rapids	7
Lowell	7
Forest Hills	6

### Lowell Area Schools 1999 HIGH SCHOOL MEAP TEST WRITING - Level 4 (Not Endorsed)

Kent City	29
Godfrey Lee	22
Godwin Heights	22
Grand Rapids Public	21
Grandville	18
Kenowa Hills	14
Thornapple Kellogg	14
Caledonia	13
Cedar Springs	13
Kelloggsville	13
Lowell	13
Byron Center	12
Kentwood	10
East Grand Rapids	9
Rockford	9
Sparta	8
Comstock Park	5
Wyoming	5
Northview	4
Forest Hills	3

### Lowell Area Schools 1999 HIGH SCHOOL MEAP TEST READING - Level 4 (Not Endorsed)

Grand Rapids Public	26
Kelloggsville	22
Godwin Heights	20
Thornapple Kellogg	20
Kent City	19
Cedar Springs	18
Grandville	17
Sparta	16
Godfrey Lee	14
Kenowa Hills	14
Kentwood	13
Comstock Park	12
Lowell	12
Caledonia	11
Rockford	10
Northview	7
Wyoming	7
East Grand Rapids	5
Byron Center	4
Forest Hills	4

Hoping to decrease the number of high school students who opted to forgo the High School Proficiency Test (HSPT) in 1998, the state offered a \$2,500 college scholarship to any student who scored in the top two levels on the math, reading, writing and science tests.

There were 93 Lowell students (38 percent) who achieved this mark.

Three Lowell High School students not only met the state's challenge but exceeded state standards in all four tests. They were Keith Valentine, Mark Maatman and Lara Robertson.

In 1997, not one Lowell junior opted to waive the HSPT. In 1998, 33 students (one-eighth of the students) opted out of taking the test. Lowell High School principal Scott Vashaw noted that number included five exchange students and some special needs students.

To receive state endorsement in each area, students had to either exceed or meet Michigan standards.

The percentage of Lowell students who achieved this in reading and mathematics increased.

In reading, that percentage increased from 63.3 percent in 1998 to 78 percent in

1999. Of those 78 percent, 25 percent of the students exceeded Michigan standards.

In math, it increased from 76.8 (1998) to 79 percent; 33 percent of those students exceeded Michigan standards.

At the other end of that scale, 12 percent of Lowell students taking the reading test placed in level four (did not perform at the basic proficiency level). "It's important that we work to get these students to the basic level," Vashaw said.

*One of our goals is to get all the students scoring at the lowest functioning level at or beyond basic proficiency. We also want to continue to raise the overall composite score of the entire building.*

### Scott Vashaw LHS Principal

In math, nine percent of Lowell students did not show they had a workable knowledge in math.

Lowell students exceed-

ing or meeting Michigan standards in writing and science dropped.

While it dropped roughly six percentage points in writing (from 70.7 to 65), the number of students who exceeded Michigan standards in writing nearly doubled (from 8.7 to 16 percent).

In science, the percentage of students who exceeded or met Michigan standards fell from 70.3 to 68 percent. The percentage of students who exceeded state expectations also dropped (from 14.8 to nine percent).

The percent of students who scored at a level four was seven percent. The only KISD school with a lower percentage was Forest Hills (six percent).

"One of our goals is to get all the students scoring at the lowest functioning level at or beyond basic proficiency," Vashaw said. "We also want to continue to raise the overall composite score of the entire building."

In writing, 13 percent of Lowell students scored in the level four area.

"The HSPT is very important to Lowell Area Schools," Lowell superintendent Bert Bleke said. "It serves as a part of a district report card. We can never be satisfied."

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