## The Lowell Ledger



## Spring In Michigan

Lowellians who returned from Spring Break on Saturday found reality a bit chilling. Waiting for them was a wet, heavy six-inch snowfall that blanketed the Lowell area overnight on Friday. For more spring-like pictures turn to page 23.

## Foundation spotlights education and Meirelles Sunday



Maria Meirelles, pianist, will perform at the Lowell Performing Arts Center on Sunday as part of the Lowel Area Education Foundation Tribute Tree ceremony

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor
Lowell Area Schools Education Foundation is to the educational enrichment of Lowell students as piano virtuoso Maria Meirelles is to the new generation of pianists.

The New York Times wrote of Maria Meirelles. "She's already an important pianist."

Through funding and resources for enhanced programs and innovative learning, Lowell Area Schools Education Foundation is already an important player in the education of Lowell students.

The most recent example of this is the $\$ 200,000$ giff from June Wittenbach and the late Everett Wittenbach to the Lowell Area Education Foundation for the construction of the Everett and June Wittenbach Agricultural and Environmental Science Center.

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Morlock's new title matches responsibilities of past 12 years

By J.N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer
When Betty Morlock came into work Tuesday morning. she had one more task to add to her list of things to do: order herself a new nameplate.

That's because at Monday night's Lowell City Council meeting, Morlock was named Lowell's new city clerk
"I would just like to say a few words about this." said City Manager David Pasquale. "Betty has been with the city for more than 12 years. She has been excellent and is very worthy of such a title."

Lowell was one of the few remaining cities in Ken County whose city manager also served as its city clerk Morlock said when she came to the city 12 years ago. it was one of her personal goals to one day serve as the city clerk.

I can understand why a city would not want to appoint someone directly into the position,"Morlock said, adding that qualified candidates are not al ways ready totackle the way a city does its business.

Morlock admits she didn'thave much experience when it came to dealing with city affairs. Since becoming the deputy city clerk in February of 1988. however. she
has demonstrated her ability to perform as city clerk.
"Betty does take good care of us during all those mayor exchange days and other things," said Councilmember Jeanne
Shores.


Both Mayor Mike
Blough and former mayor. Bill Thomas can attest to Morlock: efficiency in making sure that every document needing : signature gets it.

Morlock also has been carrying out many of the responsibilities as city clerk including taking minutes for the Cit Council, Planning Commission. and various boards as needed. She has overseen elections and kept records.
She has attended numerous training sessions and has earned the title of Certified Municipal Clerk from the International Institutes of Municipal Clerks in 1997. In addition Morlock has been an active volunteer serving as president of

Morlock, cont'd. pg. 8

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meeting. contact Smith at Class reunion planned for Class of '90 Lowell High School's
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Satuday its 10 year class reanion on
Saturday. Aug. 12 at Deer
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A social hour will $\underset{\text { At } \text { A social hour will beg with dinnerat. Ti }}{\text { and }}$ cost is $\$ 25$ per person.
Reservations must Reservations must
sent in by June 1 so that di ner can be reserved.



Rest's Consultation Center, will present Emotional Intelli-
gence in Children: $K-8$ on on Thursday, April 13 from $7-8 \cdot 30$ gence in Children: K-8th on Thursday, April 13 from $7-8: 30$
p.m. at the Administration ubuling
Sign up by calling Jantina (897-1214) or Carol (897.




Student/Staff variety show

sponsored by the Artidrama Club and the girls' track tean!
The cost is $\$ 3$ pre-sale and $\$ 4$ at the dor.

CROP HUNGER WALK CONTRIBUTIONS If you are unable to walk or do not want to call to sponsor
a walker, yet want to donate to the CROP Walk effort. a general contribution may be made by check to Church Wort
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First United Med Services. and sent to Lowell Area CROP Hunger Walk, clo
First United Methodist Church, 621 E. Main. Lowell, MI ${ }^{4} 9$ For mor
parents freshman orientation meetin A Lowell Freshman orientation meeting for parents Lowell 8 st grade students is scheduled for Thursday Aprii
13 starting at $6: 50$ p.m. in the high school gym. Imporant 13 statring at $6: 50$ p.m. in the high school gym. Importait
intormation pertaining to student scheduling. course selec
tion. school policies and student clubs and organizations wil tion. school policies and student clubs and organizations wil
be dicsussed Tours of the high school will be conducted and teacher
will be on hand in their classrooms to answer any questions GROW YOUR BUSINESS
 under the direction of Jack Saunders.
Ticket prices are $\$ 4$ for adults and $\$ 3$ for students and may
PARENTS' PROGRAM: EMOTION
Parents' Program: EMOTIONA
INTELIIGENCE IN CHILDREN Iuest speaker Randy Flood. clinical prycholog

March "No Cavities" Club Members

## Jenna Ackley

 Sara Brady Meghan Loser Laura Brady Kyle Neubecker Jacob Maughan Jeremy Meyers Amanda Vezino Keith Neubecker Lindsey Jousma Jamie Ecklestater Kelsey Perou Andrea Kulhawik Conner Smith Angelica Williams Ben Ludema Brady Maughan Fallon Fox Katie Jousma Mathew Schuitema Josh MeyersFAMILY DENTISTRY
Ann Wilson, D.D.S.
New Patients Welcome! 505 W. Main St. • Suite E, Lowell, MI 49331

897-4835

FREE SCREENING FOR PRESCHOOLERS Tots on Track will be offering free educational screening
April 14 and 28 at 300 High Street from 9 a.m to 3 p.m. or $21 / 21041 / 2$ y yearold children. Call Carol a a $897-7815$

ST. Patrick school registration
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## Sa Yo Me

 Free-will donation with all proceds going to the Kild King
Memorial $Y$.

PROM DRESS CONSIGNMENT SALE The Lowell Women's Club is sponsoring a fundraising
prom dress consignment sale en Lowell
Sitith School on
Satrdy, Aprill 15 from 10 a.m. -2 p.m. Dresses must be less


## PERSON Of the year nominations

The Lowevell Area Chamber of Commerce is accepting
nominations for "Person of the Year." Please mail a brief

Riding the rails with jim winslow The Lowell Area Historical Association will present a program titled "Riding the Raiss with Jim WWinlow" an
Wednesday April 26 at $7: 30$ p.m. at Lowell Township Hall

Kids in the kitchen

## EASTER

## EgG Hunt

Saturday April 22 CREEKSIDE PARK


A RETIREMENT INCOME FOR
LIFE... AND BIG TAX SAVINGS
interest earnings, and a lifefime retirement income.
I's's not who you call after retirement, it's who you
call BEFORE that makes the difference. Call today

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## CITY OF LOWELL,

 LOWELL AND VERGENNES TOWNSHIPS PUBLIC NOTICE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PICK-UP DAYThe City of Lowell, Lowell and Vergennes Townships have agreed to sponsor the Kent County Household Hazardo
for their residents on Saturday, April 29,2000 .
Information brochures are available at the following locations:
mation brochures are available at the following locations:

| Lowell City Hall |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Lowell Det. of Public Works | 301 East Main Street |
| Lowell Township | 27 S. Hudson |
| Vergenes Township | 2910 Alden Nash |
| Englehardt Public Library | 10381 Bailey Drive |
| Lowell Chamber of Commerce | 200 N. Monroe |
| L26 E. Main |  |

To participate in this program you must call the county program at 336 . 3695 or $336-2501$ to set up an appointment.
If you have any further questions, contact Dan DesJarden at 897-5929.


## Viewpoint . . .


 Grange Hall April 2

75 Years the lowell ledger and THE ALTO SOLO APRIL 16, 1925 The Prince of Wales is engaged to Martha, niece of the
King of Sweden.
The state Depart The state Department of Conservation closes many Kent
Connty creeks tofishing for ive years. including Honey,
Hilton, Kenyon, Spring and Whitney crecksintows County creeks to fishing for five years. including Honey,
Hilton, Kenyon, Spring and Whitney creeks in townships near
Lowell.


50 Years the lowell ledger

100 years the lowell ledger The Island Park race track ground is rented by the base ball
ceam. which proposes Saturday games there this summer. New
 The new rail line is having trouble with slow and missel
deliveries. especially serious with perishable foods. eliveries. especially serious with perishable foods.
Sheep killing dogs are onthe loseagainaticannons

## To The Editor

## I want to take this opportunity to thank the Lowell Con unnity for their phenomenal support of the sra d anual

munity for their phenomenal support of the 3 3rd annual Skatc
A-Tho at Rollaway Family Fun Center to benefit the Muscu
la Dystrophy Association.
The e 4 .hour skate-a-thon. Which began on Saturday, Ap
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DEAR JONATHAN: Is it unfair of me to require that upon my death my assets are to be divided equally among only my
surviving children. In other words, if a child were to prede-
. cease me, then his or her share would revert to my surviving
children and my deceased childs's children would end up
 dren. I really do not want a deceased child's
access to my money. Am I being too harsh?
JONATHANSAYS:I can't answer whether you are bein oo harsh, because I do not know your family or your family
dynamics. However, it would seem to me that you are being a bit extreme if you are willing to cutout your grandchildren just
io avoid the spouse of a deceased child from having any

If you want to oprovidid for your grandchildren but want to
minimize adeceased childs spouses access on these assess,
you can set up a living trust naming your children as the

questions across the water.
The spring breakup prompts township annual meetings to
get serious about improving roads.
Rep. Gerald R . Ford reports the Hoover Commission's Rect-findinganal Refficierd reporist the Hoover Commisision's request for aspecific piece of equipment from the arry went
acrosss nine desks sant toon three weens 10 oprocess."
A rubbish fire that burns 25 acres before being put out by


## 25 YEARS LOWELL LEDGER AN SUBURBAN LIFE APDIL

 Alto's new Recreation Center has the reand effect and
dollars.

to the 80 kids who participated. dedicating their time and
efforts to raise funds for MDA's local patien service pro-
grams.
Special kudos goes to the following for actually complet--
ing the e24-hour skate: Danielle Anchors. Brandie Barnes. Jim

Malone.Jeremy Miller. Kendra Plotrer, Alyssa Rash, Meribech
Richard, Zach Sherman, Dennis Smith, Megan Subbs, Mike
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Peripheral arterial disease
Peripheral arterial disease refers to a problem with bloo
ow in low in the arterial system. Arteries carry blood od the muscles
and organs of the body. while veins return the blo heart. When arteries become dieseased. they become narrowed
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If PAD is confirmed. conservative therpy involves dit
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prove the blood flow to the legs.


The prologue of a book is my first encounter with many
adult books. Children s. sooks. picurure books espectaily, grab
 Richard Paul Evans' novels get my atention by having on
the cover a small picture of sometething the book is about. The symbol maxy only be mentioned a couple oft times but tit maker
is appearace intuitively throushout the book. One snall


 phy woven into the author's sketch of the story. I am alwal
eager on mull over than part.
In this prolosue Frantill

 concept of God - the architect of that ascent and the divinc
unseen wind dha propels us throuyh hle uncharted watero o
our own destiny. But salvation. spiritual or otherwise. is not a solitary
matter and along such journeys there are connpanions place along our travels and travails. fellow sojourners who forè
alter our paths and sometines
carry ys when we are too weals to carry ourselves. This is hthe story of succh providence."
And from these wise words come the main charat Quay McGandley. a weman from Irelaldid and Hunteran Bell:
Presbyerian minister turned prospector and yambler. The




OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF
CITY COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF LOWELL


Item \#1. ORDINANCE RATIFING THE STATE CON
STRUCTION CODE ANDITS ENFORCEMENT- PUB LIC HEARING ANE ANESOLTUTIONFORCEMENT-PUB MICH HAGNELECTRICAL CODE. As noted in City Attor
ney Richard Wendt's letter, Public Act 245 of 1999 ha required the publishing of new building, electric, plumb
ing and mechanical codes. The Act necessitaes the City ing and mechanical codes. TTe Act necessitates the C City
to elect to nontorcre each indivivual codo or deferto to that
or or County enforcement. The proposes dordinance desig
nates the City assuming
and ensponsibibity for for adminitistering the State Construction Co and entorting the State Construction Code as well as all
accompanying trades. Resolutions identifying each indi-

Mayor Blough questioned the reason and action for the
code. City Manager Pasquale responded in order to cood. City Manager Pascuale responded in order
cary out builing inspetion, a buiding code must
adopeted. He noted the City has used the State Construc tion Code tor over ten years. The new pubbic act requires
the Ciity ratity this and subsequent codes. Pascuale stated this is the same code as in previous years and wii
not have an immediate effect on buiders who have
utilized the State Construction Code

Blough referred to Wendt's setter, which advocates the
Cuncill to consider an a dooption of the ordidanane amen ment before consider angopthe resoltue ordion. Wender amenen to the adoption of the ordinance, which is required by yact
This will liminate potential conflicts and inconsistencies This will liminate pote.
within the C City Code.
T WAS MOVED BY QUADA and seconded by GREEN
close the public hearing and adopt the ordin 10 close the public hearing and adopt the ordinance
latifying the State Construction Code and its enforce Blough
lows:

Pursuant to the State Construction Code Act of 1972. Act
No. 230 of the Michian Poblic Acts of 1972 (MCL
125.1501 125.1501 et seq.: MSA 5.2949 (1), et sea.). as amended
specifically by Act 245 of Michigan of 1999 , the City hereby adopts and assumes responsibility for adminis-
tering and enforcing the state construction code includeling and entorcing the state construction code Mil the state emechanical code, and the state plumbing code,
and the eity 5 serery designate t the enforcing agencyto
and enforce ne
boundaries.
YEA: YEA MOTION CARRIED.
Also included was a resolution approving and ratifying
the execution of the notice of intent to administer and entorce the State codes and
Michigan Electrical Code.
IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and
to adopt the said above resolutio YOAop
YEAY:
NAY:
ABSENT ABSENT: 1.
MOTION CARRIED.

Item \#2. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
A. 149 S. Hudson - Lowell Area Arrs Council - vari-
ances to install permanent banner and front yard ances oi install permanent banner and front yarc
setback for rorch set public hearing date (4/10).
Zoning Board of Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman Myers noted the
Planning Commisson would review this matter and
provide an opinion atter the meeting held on March 27 . provide
2000.

Myers stated the Lowell Area Arss Council wishes to
extend the porch six feet from the building, over the extend the porch six teet from the building, over the
entrance taing Ottawa Street. The Arts Council also
wishes to install a banner as a permanent sign. IT WAS MOVED BY QUADA and seconded by GREEN To set a public hearing tor April seconded by GREEN 2000 to consider
variances submitted by the the installation of a permanent banner and front yard the instalation of a permanent bann
settack for a porch at 149 S . Hudson.
YEA:
NAY: 0.
ABSENT
ABSENT: 1.
MOTION CARRIED.
Item \#3. PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF FIL-
TERMEDIA ATTHE WATER TREATMENTPI ANT part of the overall refurbishing of the Water Treatment Plant Filter Room, bids were received to purchase and following bids were submitted.


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- All Sevice Contracting Corp.
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Atter reviewing the bids, WTP Superintendent George
Regan recommended Antratitur, Inc. to cary out the
purchaseand instalalation ofthe filtermedia ofrs $\$ 14,538.71$, purchase and instalation of the filtern
as allocated from the Water Fund.
Councilmember Myers questioned if Regan had any
experiences with Anthrafilitr, Inc. Regan resn experiences with Anthrafitier. Inc. Regan responded no
However, he contacted the Michigan Health Departmen
who was familiar with the who was familiar with the company and responded
positively.

Regan believed Service Contracting Corporation was
also qualified to to the job. However, the bid submitts was $\$ 300$ more.
Myers asked if the bid from All Service Contracting
Corporation included the installation yes. . enoted Cotye empolyees could do the installation.
However, it would b bextremely difl However, it would be extremely difificult and time con.
suming and tie ep the Department of Public Works for
approximately one week

Blough questioned how Iong ago the original filiter media
had been installed. Regan responded approximately 23 had been installed. Regan responded approximately 2 a
years. He notedthe normal life expectancy for a filter is
ten to fitteen years.

TWAS MOVED BY QUADA and seconded by GEEEN or the purchase and installation of filter media at the YEA: 4. NABENT: 1.
MOTION CARRIED.
Item \#4. ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR SOUTH
HUDSON STREET WATER MAIN. In Coordiniol upcoming road reconstruction, the installation of an upcoming rad reconstruclion, ine instaliation of an
inch water main extending from the railroad tracks so
Grand Street (approximately 1100 feet on on South $h$ udson Grand Street (approximately y 100 feet) on South Hudson
is planned. The City staff recommends engineeringser
vices with Fishbeck. Thompson, Carrand Huber (FTC\&H
 Water Fund. The reasons to select Fistheck included
(a) presently engineering tor the Flat River water main
cossing project (b) has assisted the City in sec crossing project (b) has assisted the City in securing a
rairaod permit for the main istalalation and (c) familiar
with the project can expodite since there is ashort
trime wrame to coojct, can expedite since there is a short thime
tram Comission for the

Councilmember Myers asked if the City had reviewe
ther bids or proposals. City Manager Pasqual other bids or proposals. City Manager Pasquale had
interviewed a number of firm for the water main niver crossing project and FTCR\&H was selecter.d. The City is concerned because the
to carry out the project.
Blough hasked DPW Director DesJarden ift this bid, for the
scope of work, was equivalent to bids reccivet tor simiar projects. DesJarden responded the price was average He noted fTCCHH helped the City receive a permit from
Mid Michigan Railroad. Also there was already an exist.
ing proiect between $M 21$ and the track. Dessarden noted Midgroject between M2 1 and hat track Dessuarden
the City stafti is very comfortable with the firm.

Blough questioned the total cost of the project. Pasquale TWA
TWAS MOVED BY QUADA and seconded by MYERS
waive the standard bid procedure in order to sele Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and Huber to perform nelgi-
neering services for the South Hudson Street water main:
Y FA :
NAY:

## NASENT: 1. MOTION CARBIED.

tem \#5. SOUTH HUDSON STREET RIGHT OF WA AGREEMENT WITH KENT COUNTY ROAD COMMIS. project, seven feet of tight of way in iececossarty to be
secured from the Public Works Garage and Fire Station properties to the Road Commission to to better aligint the
road. A proposal submitted by the Road Commission would have

- The City donate this right of way to the KCRC (value
estimated at $\$ 10,062$ based on $\$ 1.50$ per square foot) stimated at $\$ 10,062$ based on $\$ 1.50$ per square foot).
 new five foot wide concrete walk. As noted, approxi-
mately $70 \%$ of the sidewalk wwuld not have to be e
 The Road Commission will replace the shrubbery in
front ofthe Fire Station as well as the parking lot tight. The City will relocate the sprinkling system. PWW Director Dan DesJarden and Pasquale recomsplanned to start in late August (after the wheat harvest
Councilmember Myers questioned if traffic would be delloured. Pascuaale responded yes. The traticic would be
re-ruted to Divison Street. The road would be recon-
structed from the railroad tracks to to the bridge. There will structed from the railroad tracks to the bridge. There wil
be a turn lane, alono with se a unm lane, alang with curb and duyter, primarily new of tha e ridge will alaso be uppraded. Pasiuvale noteted the
tairoad tracks would be improved with a rubberized surface.
Councilmember Quada said there is intent to bore and lack with the water main under the tracks. He questioned
it this was necessary if the crossing was torn out this was necessary if th
Quada questioned the number of lanes proposed
Pasquale responded three


## CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Fasquale responded approximately twelve weeks. asauuale noted approximately $80 \%$ of the job would be
paid through tederal funds and completed no later than

## Quada inquired what plan were in

 service during the construction period. DesJarden responded a plan is still being considered. Hewas unsure it the street would be completely shut down was unsure if the street woul
or just one block at a time.
Myers noted
Division St.
Twasmoved aymes a
To approve the right of way agreement with $K$ Qy QUADA to approve the i inh o t way agreement with Kent County
Road Commision for the South Hudson Street reconYEA: 4.
NAY:
ABSNT: 1
CARRIED.
Item \#6. PURCHASE OF NEWPOWER UNIT FORTHE
HURST TOOL. AS noted in Fire Chief FIF memo dated March 15, 2000, the power unitit in the Hurst Tool (Jaws of Life) had been in need of replacement. He
had noted the only yistributor of Hurst equipment in had noted ine only distibutor of Hurst equipment in
Michigan is Apolio Fire Equipment. Their price for the
newner newpower unit is $\$ 4,400$. Because the existing unitis old,
it has not rade-in value. The Department will tune up the unit and use it as a spare.
Chief Martin recommended the Council approve the
purchase of a new power unit for the Hurst Tool trom purchase of a new power unit tor the
Apollo Equipment at a cost of $\$ 4,400$.
Councilmember Myers questioned if any new features
were a added to the updated model. Martin tools could be hooked upa ut the samel. Martin responded two
old unit only alloes the

Martin noted the City purchased the old unit approxi mately 2 Syears agooror $\$ 8,500$. To replace the entire unit
today, with all the tools would cost $\$ 25,000$. Martin said the tools are in good condition.
Mayor Blough asked ifthe entire Fire Department knows
how to operate the machine. Martin responded yes.
Blough questioned how often the unit is used. Martin
responded a few times a month. He explained the unit is responded a few times a month. He explained the unitis
used to open car doors and allows the steering wheel to used to open car doors and allows the steering wheel to
be orlled out of the way if people are trapped. It can also
be used to cut a roof off a car, if needed.
IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by QUADA
to purchase a new power unit tor the Hurst Tool from to purchase a new power unit for
Apollo Fire Equipment for $\$ 4,400$
YEA:4.
NAY O.
ABSENT: 1.
MOTION CARRIED.
Item \#7. Property tax administration sysTEM (PTAS) UPGRARADPROJJCTTCONSIIORRATISN
OF AGREEMENTWITH KENT COUNTY City Manager Pasquale requestedt this item be defererred until Assistant

Pasquale noted each governmental unit within Kent
County is reviewing the same ungade in the Property County is reviewing the same upgrade in the Property
Tax Administrationsytem. He felt it was important the
Council isisten to Vanderberg.
By general consensus, the Coun,
item until the end of the meeeting.
Item \#8. DISCUSSION REGARDING SENIORCITIZEN
PARK. COUncimember
PARK. Councilmember Quada requested discussion on
the approprrateness of maintaining the Senior Citizen
Park (ororh side of East Main between Tummino law
office and Lowell Auto o ody.). He suggested the possibil-
ity of moving the fixtures to another site Quada believed
ity of moving the fixtures io another site. Quada believed.
the e reaa had outgrown its usefulness as park ropery.
He wanted the Council to consider relocating the e plaque
to a more appropriate spot. The parcel could then be
to a more appropriate spot.
placed for a better land use.
Pasquale stated the Planning Commission would have
to review the proposal and remove the epark from the
master plan. He oned if this happened, the City would
have the eportuity to do what they wish, including
haver plan. He notied if his happened, the Chity would
have the opportunity to do what they wish, including

Wrequest the Planning Commands seconded bev by GREEN
Mayor
Mayor Blough agreed with Quada. He said the City is
considering improvements tothe not receive recognition. Pasquale stated there may be
potential consequences with the Historic District Com mission.
Quada noted the property has not been used for a period
of time and did not remember when the area received of time and did
significant use.
Green noted the park was developed when the Senior druystore had also been near the park.
The Parks and Recreation Commission as well as the Comment.
NAY:-:
ABSENT:

## Item \#9. MONTHLYREPORT

aid h. resigned from the Downtounc Development Au-
hority Board last Novemer Hel hority Board last November. He quesvionoden why A A
name continues to appear in the minutes from the mei name continues to appear in the minutes from the meet-
ings. Pasauual respondeda letter of resignation needs to
be received.

Councilmember Myers commented on the building per-
 is still $\$ 120,000$ worth of permits in residential areas and
approximately $\$ 900,000$ or commercial.
Item \#10.CITIZEN COMMENTS. Leo Pfaller, 810 Bowes R.d., stated much work was done to connect Ridggeview
and Gee Drives, while he served on the Counci. He
noted the only item accomplished was the water main noted the only item accomplished was the water main
nntallation. H asken it
this could de reviewed again Paller believed this would elevate much traftic from own. He said the City has already $p$.
erty and has all of the rights of way.
Blough said there have been a few proposed develop.
ments in the area. Over the last couple of years, the concept of a a cennector to toee Drive has been uevitized
pasquale stated another develoneris Pasquale stated another developer is interested in build behind Family Fare is not buildabole due to wepoltands.
ansuale thought plans would be submited soon. Pasquale thought plans would be submitted soon.
He added new raad is expensive and the City would
tave to waitand have to wait and de
pate in the cost.
Quada suggested the expenses of such a project be
placed on the agenda for the May 1,2000
placed on the agenda for the May 1,2000 City Council meeting. Green stated the original amounts may still be
available and inflation rates could simply be added tor an
estimate.

James Hall, 724 N . Monroe, questioned if placing the
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Light and Power concer treetights
tem \#11. Council comments.
Green receevedappreciation from residentstor thelevisising

this service was originally yrovided through volunteers.
Linda Taber and Jiff Cady Green thanked these indi-
viduals for their time spent and suggested a letter of
appreciation be sent. Sy geneneral consessed a letter of
Councimember Oura
 Tor the Fire Deater Treatment it Plant and the "Jaws of Litie discussion spoke ehighly of these departments and others
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who care about their jobs.
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back ashed and cared for on a regular basis, the filters
do not last. He said this was a real do not last. He said this w
associated with the system.
Item \#12. MANAGERS REPORT
Pasquale reported on the following:
The following meetings minutes were enclosed

- Airport Board meeting of January 25.

2. As requested, Tom Richards has provided a list of individuals who have been
Cable TV Advisory Board.
3. With the resignation of Carol Wieland, Councilmember Myyers has expressed interest in a position on the Kent
District Library Board Council consideration to endorse
and propose the appointment to the Distic and propose the appointment to the District was re-
quested.
Myers said Wieland's position covered the City of Lowell,
Lowell Vergend Lowell, Vergennes and Bowne Townships. He has been
in contact with Lowell and Vergennes Townshis and
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row believed he would receive one from Bowne.
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IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by BLOUGH to endorse Councilim
District Library Board.
YEA: 4 .

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ABSENT: 1.
MOTIIN CARIIED.
4. Pasquale reminded the Council a meeting with the munity Coond oration Modede was wools regarding the Com-
March 21st. 7 moded for Tuesday. Also, the Community Expo was planned for Saturday,
March 25th from io a.m. to 4 p.m. at the high school.
5. The following dates were proposed for Mayor's ExThursday, May 25th here
Thursday, June 1 st in Whitehall

Mayor Blough stated last year it was a very worth while
trip when they attended lonia. He extended the invitation trip when they attended lonia. He
to any residents or businesses.

Pascuale recommended defereringthe discussion of Prop-
erty Tax Administration Upgrade project until the next
meeting since Alan Vanderberg had not yet arived. The erty Tax Administrat
meoting ince Alan
Council agreed.
IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at $8: 27$ p.m.
DATE APPRROVED: Monday, April 10,2000
Michael K. Blough, Mayor
David M. Pasquale, City Clerk

CREEKSIDE KINGDOM PLAYGROUND TEMPORARY CLOSING

Due to the need for annual maintenance to keep Creekside Kingdom's playground equipment and fun for our children, the playground will be closed Also the pavilion will not be available during this time.

Council gives LAAC okay on new sign and porch


Morlock, continued.... From Page 1



Foundation, cont'd
GRATTAN ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 19, 2000 at 7:30 p.m Grattan Township Hall 12050 Old Belding Rd. AT WHICH TIME AND PLACE THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS WILL BE HEARD:
Paul A. Blattner - 122685 Mile Rd.,
Lowell, MI requests a variance on front yard setback for construction of two (2) migrant houses. Article 13.09 migrant
housing E. Setback of $175^{\prime}-0^{\prime \prime}$ in lieu of housing E. Setback of $175^{\circ}-0^{\prime \prime}$ in lieu of
$200^{\prime}-0^{\prime \prime}$. Property located at 122685
竍 Mile Rd., Lowell, MI. Parcel \#41-12-34.
Eldon D. Wagenvelt - 4639 West Grand Biva., Walker, M1 requests construction
of a single family home with a variance rom required side yard minimum setback of 10' $0^{\prime \prime}$ "to $5^{\prime}$ ' $6^{\prime \prime}$ per survey
dataed 03-15-2000. Article 7 Section 7.03B. Property located at 12491
Woodland Park, Belding, MI. Parcel $\# 41$ Woodand Park,
12-10-257-028.
Joanne Mercer - 14299 Heffron Road, distance between mobile home and proposed accessory building of $6^{\prime}$ - 0 " in lieu of $10^{\prime}-0^{\prime \prime}$, and a variance request
for $4^{\prime}-0^{\prime \prime}$ in lieu of $10^{\prime}-0^{\prime \prime}$ from the corner of garage and proposed 14299 Heffron Road, Belding, MI. Parcel \#41-12-01-200-006.
Written comments concerning these issue hould be received prior to the hearing and
ddressed to: Al Berry, Grattan Township oning Board of Appeals, 12050 Old Belding
Ad., Belding, MI 48809 .


group's fee for application on the variances.goal of being able to serve the city as its clerk, she said.
The council since stis is is promotion for Morlock, rasedThe council. since this is a promotion for Morlock, raised
the question of a increase in pay. Paspuale said that would be
discesedthe question of an increases in pay. Pasquale said that would be
discussed during the annual staf reviews, which take place in
June.

## From Page 1



COMING EVENTS


Should the six-year-old Cuban boy Elian Gonzalez stay with his relatives in Miami or should he go back to Cuba with his father


## CITIZEN SURVEY

## LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP

SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING OF MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2000 Called to order at 7:00 p.m., 5 board
members present. Minutes of March 20, 2000 members p
approved.


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& \text { water Fund......................... } \$ 6,567.10 \\
& \text { Trust \& Agency Fund........... } \$ 1,250.35
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## Business Conducted: Heard a presentatio by Alan Vanderberg on the new County $T$ Ta

 by Alan Vanderberg on the new County TaSystem; moved to System; moved to send a proposed
amendment to the Planning Commission amend the zoning ordinance regarding the
addition of a home-based business; moved to addition of a home-based business; moved to
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yerr to contract with Kent Lawns, Inc. for anothe
year for hall and cemetery maintenance, Brian Kroll gave an update on the Gyps moth spraying program.

Adjournment at $8: 22$ p.m.


Scouts Earn
Railroad Badge
Lowell Boy Scout Troop 102 recently completed work for its railroading badge The troop constructed a model track and
landscape that was approximately 20 feet in length. Pictured, left to right, are: Eric Mundt, Ken Walsh, Tom Ward, John Fleet, Chris Bradley Paul Mundt, Brandon Hess, Ryan Churches, Josh Meyers, Ben Fleet, Scott Cooper, and scoutmasters Steve Yaw, Tim VanderWerp and Terry Cavanaugh.


AT\&T and CenturyTel looking to build towers in city

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Riding the Rails with Jim Winslow


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## RED ARROW SOFTBALL

Rigorous nonconference slate to prepare Lowell for 0 K White


## RED ARROW GIRLS SOCCER

Girls' soccer program begins to take on eve of third season


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## Red Arrow Boys Track \& Field

Solid sprinting and fiedd event creers may elerate Lowell to upper bracket of 0 KWhite
-••• How high the Red Arrows rise in the conference will depend on development in a number of areas. By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor
Lowell boys track team
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 to a handful of Red Arrows
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## LOWELL GIRLS GOLF

Red Arrows among a handful of schools who could vie for conference title By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lovell Ledger Editor
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Varsity Girls Golf, front row (left to right): Jackie Cress, Jenny Gunberg, Katic Gunberg, Lisa LaHaye; second row:Coach Rick White,Amber Kuipers, Kelly Fitzpatrich


## Lowell JV Soccer


 anella, Tara Cariano, Kayly Grummett; back row, left to oright, are: Emmannelle Borell Britany Huisman.
Dannielle Nebelung, Rachel Long, Jill Egler, Jennie Meyers, Cori Drenth, Sara Willett


Soccer, cont'd.... From Page 26
Ionny has learned a lot about the game since last year.
look of herto distribute and get our midfielders and orwards
ging.'. Conlan said.
 Kelly Chapman and Abbey Goff will lead Lowell midfielders. Both Goff and Chapman are recognized by their
coach foran outstanding work ethic.. It's atough position that
 Ald Angie Schmidt, Blair Meyer., Lindsey Plescher.
Eliss Kinney.Beck Yaxyorand SarSoyka and Conlan has
his deepest sel of midfielders since the programms start. "We need our midfielders to score andstop goals," Conlan Kristen Wysocki.

Softball, cont'd.... From Page 26


Lowell JV Baseball
Junior Varsity Baseball (left to right): 1st row: Bill Harrison, Steve Palacek, Shaw Mande, Matt Barry, Pat Kautman; 2nd row: Coach Joe Stacey, Gary Dykstra, Pe
Deboer, Jeff Harrell, Brad Eldridge, Adam Kuzmin, Wade Gilchrist, Austin Hunt.


Red Arrow JV Golf

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## Red Arrow Baseball

Lowell will have to dig deep to deliver second dream season


Red Arrow Girls Track \& Field
Youth opens coach's eyes to what promising future holds



## Walls take on challenge of Lowell boys tennis

-••• Bonnie and Roger Wall needed a little coaxing, but less than a year after accepting the girls tennis coaching position, they decided to also coach the Red Arrow boys.

The reaction by some when they heard that Roger and
Boonnie Wall had accepted the varsity boys tennis coaching



## SUMMER FUN!

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## For good yields, plant peas early

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SATURDAY, APRIL 15 th
FROM 8 A.M. TO ?
Creekside Kingdom Playground is in need of
its yearly maintenance. So if you have
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come and help with the maintenance so it
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Things to bring: Workers!
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Rakes
Wheelbarrows
Empty Gallon
Milk Containers
Paint Brushes
Rags

## LOWELL CHARTER

 TOWNSHIP
## PUBLIC HEARING

\& MEETING NOTICE
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Lowell Charter Township Board of Appeals will hold hearing on

MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2000 at $7: 30$ p.m. at the Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash, S.E.

On the agenda:
) Election of officers
2) Michael Burri's variance request to build
on the property at 3079 Kissing Rock S . on the property at
(41-20-18-200-021) which has insufficient frontage.
3) Any and all other business which may be brought before this Board according to the owell Charter Township Zoning Ordinance.

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\& Consumer Power Tower on M-21 public hearing - Dick Edison. Proposal to build building in light industrial, corner of Grand River \& Oberley

PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING 1. Call to order - Roll Call 2. Approval of minutes of Planning Commission meeting of March 13, 2000 mining
4. Nature's Way
5. Scott Bronkema - Endurance Products
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## CITY OF LOWELL

SPRING LEAF PICKUP PROGRAM EXTENSION
The leaf pick up program will be extended
hrough the third week of April) 2000 (April 18 and 19) by Pitsch Companies. You must purchase lea
the trash bag
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(formerly Philips 66
These bags are sold in lots of 20 for $\$ 5.00$ They hold 30 gallons and are made of a
paper, biodegradable material. The leaves are taken to a compost area

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 be placed in the leaf bags. The composting
operation cannot accept leaves in plastic operation
bags.

If your trash pickup is Monday or Tuesday, your leat pickup day is Tuesday. If your your leaf pickup is Wednesday or Thursday

If there are any questions, please contact Pitsch Companies (285-4646) or City Hall
$(897-8457)$


## Township resident not pleased with tower or proposed new building

By Thaddeus J. Kraus

Low'ell Ledger Editor
Sid Haywood still worries about the health risk that neighbors his property to the west.

That health risk comes in the form of a 169 -foot tower constructed by Consumers Power approximately 20 years ago for its high power electrical lines.
"I worry for my kids about the health risk that comes from the electronic magnetic field created by the tower,"Haywood said, despite no reports that indicate risk.

Along with being a health risk, and an eyesore, Haywood
said the tower has also hindered television reception. Since sumers Power will landscape the building. It's going to be the township is not responsible for allowing the Consumer's landscaped well. Trees will provide screening," he said. Power tower to be constructed Haywoed does not have any recourse through the township ordinance.

Haywood has lived at 10010 E. Fulton his entire life. He bought the home from his parents seven years ago.

Haywood was at the Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission meeting Monday night to object to the construction of a 12 by 26 by 40 foot building. "I didn't want to look at the tower then and I don't want to have to look at a new building along side it," Haywood said.

Planning commission chairman Dick Bryan said ConThe discussion on the building was borne from a request by AT\&T to install an antennae on top of the tower. Bryan indicated that the antenna would be affixed to the top of the tower and would look like a part of the lattice. "Unless someone watches it be installed, they won't even be able to tell it's on the tower," he said

AT\&T's original tower location plan was not accepted by Consumers Power.

An agreed-upon plan will be presented to the planning commission for approval on April 24.

## DenHouter given okay for mining, but contingencies must be met

DenHouter was given 90 days to complete all of the conditions except for the lanes, which were given a six-month timetable

By Thaddeus J. Kraus

Lowell Ledger Editor

Leonard DenHouter had o do some mining of the minds Monday night in order to secure approval for his proposed mining off of Alden Nash Avenue.

DenHouter's proposal nearly got lost in a discussion about dust control.

The Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission, sensitive to the issue of dust created by such projects. spent a good measure of time discussing the best method to insure that the dust is controlled.

When discussion ended
it agreed to what DenHouter proposed - using an organic material made from tree sap

DenHouter said he anticipated having to apply two coats in the first year
"I've done a lot of check ing and feel confident that this will keep the dust down. he said.

High berms on the oute edge of the property should also help limit the spread of any dust beyond the property's perimeter

The township agreed to extend the use of the mining pit to 10 years with annual inspections. "This reservesus the right to pull the permit if
conditions which the planning
commission sets forth are not commission sets forth are no
met," Bryan explained.

Other conditions included DenHouter providing an additional $\$ 4,000$ in trust; the
lane going north on the west
mining area (five acres) have a fence and signage; that there be an acceleration lane south from the entrance on Alden Nash and a de-acceleration going north on the we
side of the road; and that a condemned home and truck body facing Grand River Avenue be removed from the property.

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Matt Kyllonen - 2nd Jay Komarezc - 4th Keiffer Beimers - 3rd Jordan Wilder - 2nd Jacob Lynema - 1st Jacob Gould - 1st

## GROUP II

Thomas Fleet - 3rd Cody Grim - 2nd Keith Williams 4th Luke Brower - 4th

Tim Gingerich - 2nd Jake Fillingham - 2nd Zach Baum-2nd Cody Toomey - 2nd
Nathan Vaught - 2nd

GROUP III
Phillip Burton - 3rd Josh Kettel - 4th Ben Canfield - 2nd Alex Carpenter - 3rd

## GROUP IV

Joe Mendez - 1st
Stephen Kerr - 4th Ryan Esbaugh - 1st Ryan Karasiewicz - 1st Josiah Hull - 2nd Josh Vaught - 4th Steven Koning - 3rd Kyle Selli - 3rd Jason Nearing - 4th

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By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Basically it was to find out if I've been a good neighbor," said Dick Edison, owner of Contract Assemblies, on the purpose of a public hearing before the Lowell Charter Township Planning Commis sion.

Edison proposed construction of an 11,000 square vell Ledger Editor
foot building on the west side of his property at 13565 Grand River.

The building will enable Contract Assemblies to meet future business opportunities. "Those opportunities could bring about a 20 percent increase in the number of employees," Edison explained. It presently employs approxi mately $10-12$ people.

The industrial business is currently contracted to do light assembly work for West Michigan companies, including Attwood. Howard Miller and Steelcase.

Edison's company has been at the Grand River Oberley location for the pas three-and-a-half years.

Stedfast Construction will erect the new building.

Completion of the project is expected in July.

At a public hearing Monday night. Tim McCaul who neighbors the facility asked that the new building be set back on the lot closer to the Grand Trunk Railroad.
"I currently see vegetation and bush when I look out my window; with this proposal I would see building. McCaul said.

Doran Loftus, of 13558 Grand River Dr.. asked that the refrigeration units which run overnight be eliminated Edison assured him that they could go.

Dick (Edison) has done an excellent job of maintain ing that property, better than the previous owners." Loftus added.

## Y starts

 golf leagueA bad day in a summer golf league is still better than a good day at work.

The Lowell YMCA is sponsoring a summer 2000 Golf League beginning in May.

The league is limited to the first 20 golfers who sign up. It will run from May 16 through Aug. 15 with tee time Tuesdays at $4: 15$ p.m.

The price for 16 weeks of golf is $\$ 260$ for YMCA members and $\$ 295$ for nonmembers. The fee includes nine holes of golf at Deer Run Golf Club, a T-shirt, a sleeve of golf balls, golf tees and a water bottle

For more information or to register by phone, call 897-8445

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