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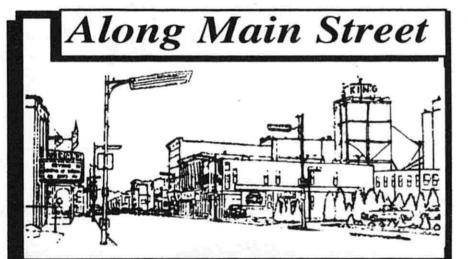
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### **COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION**

Commodities will be distributed on Thursday, July 27 starting at 7:30 a.m. at the Lowell Moose Recreation Center.

### **FREE CAR WASH**

The Lowell gymnastics team will be having a car wash on Fri., Aug. 4 from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. at Family Fare. Any donations will be used to purchase new equipment.

### POP CAN DRIVE

The Lowell gymnastics team will be having a pop can drive from July 31 thru Aug. 4. Drop all those empty cans and bottles you have at the YMCA office or bring them to the car wash at Family Fare on Aug. 4.

### LAAC AUDITIONS FOR HARVEY

# **Designer sent back to drawing** board over city parking lots

•••• Planning commission asks Design Plus, Inc. to return with revised city parking lot plans.

By J.N. Boorsma **Contributing Writer**  would give the city about 55 spaces with three handicapped spaces.

"I would like to see the Veterans Park moved to the cemetery," said commissioner James Hall. "We have a Civil War memorial there and do something there a couple of times a year. I can't see why we can't rebuild it to that site

concerns if the park were eliminated.

"I would like to go on record as disagreeing with the commissioner," said commissioner John VanderWilp. "Putting the veterans in the back seat and their families in the back seat is not right. I believe it would be a disservice to the community and to

ment, who said such islands make it very difficult for the city to plow. In the end. Hall said the city fathers should not exclude themselves from their own rules, and perhaps the city needs to invest in equipment to make it easier to plow those lots.

The next lot was that on the southwest corner of Mon-



The Lowell Area Arts Council is accepting auditions for "Harvey" a three-act-comedy by Mary Chase. The play requires six women ages 25-60 and six men ages 30-60. Auditions are at the LAAC, 149 S. Hudson St., on Aug. 8 and 9 and Aug. 15 and 16 at 7 p.m.

Performance dates for the play are Oct. 19-21 at the Lowell Performing Arts Center at Lowell High School. For more information call 897-8545.

## **City to close Englehardt** Library during **Riverwalk Festival**

•••• Library branch manager says facilities were not designed to handle so many people in a short period of time.

### By J.N. Boorsma Contributing Writer

Those who used to make a pit stop at the Englehardt Library during Riverwalk Festival activities will have to make other arrangements.

Last Monday, during its regular council meeting, the Lowell City Council voted to close the library during the Riverwalk Festival, which takes place Sept. 2. The decision was based on a recommendation made by library staff.

"We had a number of problems last year," said Lowell branch manager, Jane Aronson. "The facilities were not designed to accommodate so many people in such a short time period," indicating that the number of people caused the toilets to back up and flooded the lobby with water.

Aronson estimated approximately 700 people used the restrooms at the library, which are located in the lobby entrance. Even with entire staff scheduled to work, they could not keep up with the restroom and drinking fountain problems, Aronson said in a letter to the city manager, Dave Pasquale.

The library is an ideal spot for most people attending the Riverwalk Festival. This is because many of the activities are centered on two sidewalks adjacent to this facility.

"If those people were coming in to use the library, we could see some sense to this," Aronson said, adding that the counter for the facility is actually located in front of the doors of the library and not the main lobby doors.

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If at first you don't succeed, try, try, try again ... and have lots of patience in the process.

No one can say that Jonathan Nagel of Design Plus, Inc., doesn't have a lot of patience ... especially when it comes to dealing with three parking lots within the city. Monday night, Nagel had a second go-around with the Lowell Planning Commission in regards to the Downtown Development Authority's plans to improve the parking areas. The proposed improvements met with a warm reception.

First up was the parking lot near King Milling with the Veterans Memorial Park. The improvements, which would include a loop flow for two-way traffic,

and eliminate it from the parking lot."

This proposal did not meet with much approval from the rest of the planning commission, which cited street parking

# **Two-phase bond is set;** district asked to approve \$27.5 million

### By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Since the 1990 bond issue, the Lowell School District has grown by well over 700 students and is projected to increase another 1,100 over the next 10 years.

Which is the reason voters will be asked to vote on a \$27.5 million, two-phase bond issue on Tuesday, Sept. 26.

The two-phase approach is designed to achieve several goals: provide adequate facilities for children when projected growth figures become reality; protect tax payers by building only when it is absolutely necessary; maximize current general fund budget by utilizing existing facilities to the fullest; provide excellence in both short-term planning (immediate needs) and long-term planning (projected district needs within range of 2-5 years). Bond, cont'd. pg. 8

A key focal point of the next Downtown Development Authority project is city parking lot improvements.

those who made sacrifices for our country."

The entire commission did agree that a major engineering study would have to be completed for the retaining wall, and the alley should be included in the project. The only change on the King Milling parking lot was the addition of an island to help break up the number of parking spaces in one row.

The proposed island did meet with some disapproval from Dan DesJarden, head of the Public Works Departroe and Avery, behind businesses such as Sneakers and Hahn Hardware. The proposed plan would have increased the number of spaces to 40 with some landscaping and would create a separate delivery access to the businesses. Strong objections to the entire plan came from both commissioners, who did not like the idea of the public stepping into a traffic flow area, and DesJarden, who said there would be no place for

Parking Lot, cont'd. pg. 8

**Inside The Ledger City Holding Back** on CenturyTel Decision, Page 15



# **OBITUARIES**

Doyle, aged 51, of Cascade, passed away unexpectedly family. Wednesday, July 5, 2000, in Costa Rica. He was preceded in death by his parents Earl and Barbara Doyle; sister Ethel Dovle. He is survived by his wife Beulah; children Brion, Bridget and Kevin; Gladys (Frisbie) Jensen. She brothers John (Kathy) Doyle of Saranac, Tom (Sue) Doyle 1988, in Ionia. She was a of Grand Rapids; sisters Mary Doyle of Nevada, Kathy and she retired from Steelcase (Paul) Mason of CO, Susan in 1995. She is survived by Doyle of Ann Arbor; also her husband Robert Hyatt of many nieces and nephews. A Saranac; children Ruth and Memorial Service was held Chet Toth of Ionia, John and on Aug. 5 at St. Paul The Catherine Randall of Apostle Catholic Church in Rudyard, Harold Randall of

DOYLE - Charles Earl Grand Rapids. Memorial con-

aged 72, of Saranac, passed granddaughter and one away July 21, 2000. She was born May 1, 1928, in Edmore, MI, the daughter of Oscar and Lake Funeral Home in married Robert Hyatt June 3. member of VFW in Lowell



Saranac: brother Oscar Jensen Jr. of Plainwell: sisters Lucille Wilson of Charlotte, Caroline Pederson Funeral Home, and Jim Newkirk of Berrien Springs; 12 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. She tributions may be made to the was preceded in death by one son Russell, two brothers Don and Bill, one sister Ethel, one Marie (Elizabeth) Kerper, He was preceded in death by HYATT-Ida Mae Hyatt, granddaughter, one greatdaughter-in-law. Funeral Services were held Monday at Saranac with Rev. Kirk Starkweather officiating. Interment at Easton Cemetery in Ionia. Anyone wishing may make Memorial Contributions to Family Choice.

> JOHNSON - Mrs. Jenny Johanna Johnson, aged 70, of Lowell, passed away on Wednesday, July 19, 2000. Mrs. Johnson was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Lowell and for a short time a member of the Lupus Foundation. She loved to play Johnson was told she would Mother General. In 1973 she Tuesday at Zaagman Memonever have children, therefore she felt that her greatest gift in life were her four childeath by her husband Richard Johnson and her mother are her children Steven and Debbie Smith and Kathryn Morris all of Allegan, Rich-VanZytveld of Grand Rapids; grandchildren Jason Therese (Roland) Dormeyer 2000 from accidental inju-VanZytveld and Jessica VanZytveld; great-grandchildren Kennidie Smith and one and nephews. Mass of Chrison the way; brother Earl and tian Burial was held at St. Mary Kay Ursul of Mary's Church in Lowell on

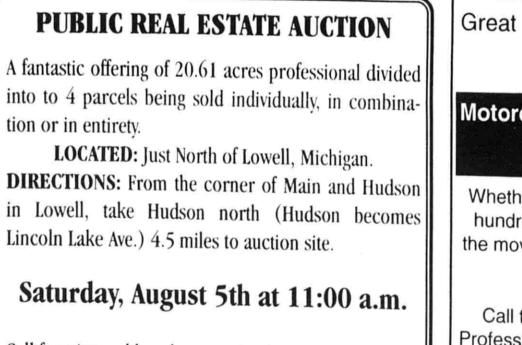
Saranac, Bobbi Lunt of Ludington; nieces and nephews. The service for Mrs. Johnson was held Saturday at Rockford, with Rev. George J. Fekete officiating. Buria in Rockford Cemetery

> the Eucharist, died on Tuesborn on July 4, 1916, in New Vienna, Iowa, to Otto and Anna Kerper. After attend-Religious Life in 1934 and Cross, WI. Having received a grandchildren Bachelor of Science in Edu- Stephanie and Andrea; brothglish as a second language. Church of Rockford. She is survived by her Community, the Franciscan Sis-

July 22. Contributions may be made to the education fund or the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist.

MEEKHOF - Mr. Mynie Meekhof, aged 82, of Grand Rapids, went to be with his KERPER - Mother Ann Lord on Friday, July 21, 2000. F.S.E. a Franciscan Sister of his wife of 57 years, Lucille, in February 1999. He will be day, July 18, 2000. She was lovingly remembered by his daughters Gloria and Frank Gabrielse of Grand Rapids. Marilyn Heidenfelder of Alto. ing St. Boniface High School Bonni and Jerry Horan of in New Vienna, she entered Magnolia, TX; grandchildren Kelly Cook, Todd (Annette) made her First Vows in 1937 Schautz, Jon Christopher, Jerin the Franciscan Sisters of emy Horan, Jason Schautz Perpetual Adoration of La and Shayne Horan; great-Kady, cation from St. Louis Univer- ers and sisters Cornelius sity, she spent 22 years teach- (Fran) Meekhof, Andrew ing as well as supervising and (Pat) Meekhof, Jeanette Baas, teaching teachers. In 1958 she Trena (Gerald) Bosch, Harm was elected to the General Hueker, Theresa (Peter) Council of the Franciscan Sis- Plugger, Elsie Meekhof; and ters of Perpetual Adoration several nieces and nephews. Bingo. At a young age, Mrs. and in 1964 was elected their Funeral services were held joined the newly founded rial Chapel North, with Rev. Franciscan Sisters of the Eu- Laurel TenHave-Chapman charist. For four years she officiating. Interment Rest dren. She was preceded in didparish work in St. Cecilia's Lawn Memorial Park. Mein Detroit. Between 1985 and morial contributions may be 1997 she lived in Rome close made to Hospice of Holland Catherine Bergia. Surviving to the Vatican and taught En- Home or First Congregational

PIXLEY - Mark A. ard and Rhonda Smith of ters of the Eucharist, the Pixley, aged 44, of Grand Hopkins and Debbie and Pete Franciscan Sisters of Per- Rapids, went to be with his petual Adoration; a sister Lord Thursday, July 20. Smith, Amber Smith, Pete ; brothers Albert (Norma) ries. He was preceded in death VanZytveld IV, Joey Kerper of Dubuque, Iowa, by his mother Sally Pixley and Anthony (lola) Kerperof and his brother Frankie Sherrill, Iowa; many nieces Pixley. Surviving are his wife of 24 years Sue Pixley; children Allison and Andrew Pixley; father and stepmother Frank and Betty Pixley of Belding, mother in-law and father -in-law Bob and Elaine Gehrke of Greenville, brothers and sisters Mike and Shannon Pixley of Battle Creek, Patty Pixley of Greenville. Cheryl and Kirt Johnson of Newaygo, David Pixley of Tennessee, sisterin-law and brother-in law Debra and Randy Parden of Kentwood, Tim and Mary Ann Gehrke of Kennesaw.



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GA; several step-brothers and step-sisters; many nieces. nephews and cousins. Mark was a member of St. Luke's Lutheran Church and was very involved with football and wrestling at Forest Hills Northern. Funeral Services were held Tuesday at St Luke's Lutheran Church 3215 4 Mile Rd. NE with Rev. Allen A.Gartner officiating. Inurnment will be in the Memorial Garden of the church at a later date. For those who wish, memorials may be made to St. Luke's Lutheran Church.

ROTH - Allen Fredrick Roth, aged 80, of Lowell passed away Tuesday, July 18, 2000. He was preceded in death by his wife Doris Roth Mr. Roth is survived by his sons Larry (Mary) Roth of Belding, Kenneth (Georgie) Roth of Lowell: brother Ralph Roth of Lowell; sister Arlene (Gordon) Edwards of Holt, MI; also five grandchildren: nieces and nephews. He was a member of the American Legion of Lowell. First United Methodist Church of Lowell and a WWII Army veteran. Funeral Services were held Friday at the First United Methodist Church of Lowell with Rev. Gordie Barry officiating. Interment Graceland Cemetery Memorial contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Low-

WILLIAMSON - Helen F. Williamson, aged 78, of Lowell, passed away July 22 2000. She is survived by her children Frances Swearingen of Lowell, Louise Saffold of MS., Patricia Gessner of NC Val Williamson Greenville. David Williamson of Cedar Springs brothers Eugene Riley, James Riley, Clifton Riley, all o MS; sisters Estelle Harvey of MS, Barbara Stetz of PA Sue Hillman of MS: 20 grandchildren; 14 greatgrandchildren. Funeral Services and interment will take place in Magee, MS. Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association, Michigan Chapter.

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Lowell Mayor Mike Blough and his wife Toni and son Nick joined the expedition at the Fairgrounds for the 90 minute journey to Ada via the Grand River.



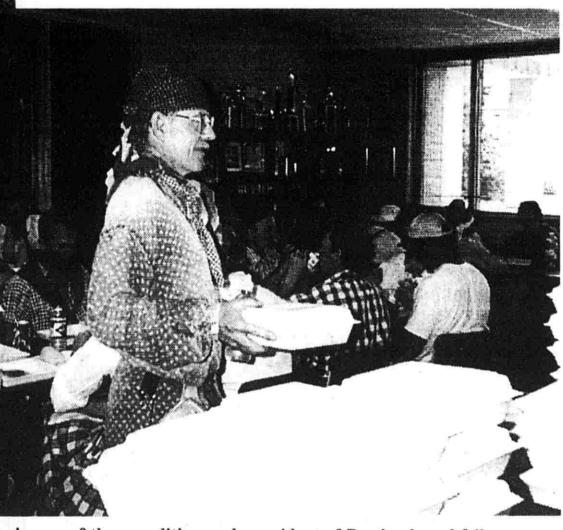
The entire navigable length of the Grand River (225 miles) from Liberty to Grand Haven is paddled during the expedition. Data is gathered, analyzed and compared to data collected during the 1990 Grand River Expedition to document important trends and support future action. Throughout the expedition, team members provide presentations, displays and demonstrations along the river in an attempt to interact with the Grand River and the people throughout Michigan who are living along the Grand River. It is the longest river in Michigan, whose basin includes 5,570 square miles, 18 counties and 158 townships.

# Scenic expedition down the **Grand River connects** communities through appreciation and awareness

The Grand River Expedition 2000 stopped at the Lowell Fairgrounds Sunday. The nonprofit organization is dedicated to producing visible, structured river studies and journey of discovery to explore and document the values, problems and opportunities of the Grand River and its watershed.



The Grand River Expedition 2000 included a multi-disciplined team of scientists, technicians, historians, educators, students, environmental quality and natural resource professionals, industry representatives, leaders in civic organizations, associations and employees and volunteers of local, state and federal government, writers, video/ film specialists and private individuals of the general public.



Mike Smith, chairman of the expedition and a resident of Portland, and fellow team members enjoy lunch at the Look Memorial Fire Station before continuing on to Ada. Pictures Courtesy Liz Baker



### Gordie Barry, pastor of First about, yet so difficult to turn United Methodist Church

two monks in Japan, traveling down a muddy road. A heavy rain was still falling. Coming around the bend, they met a lovely girl in a silk kimono and sash, unable to cross the intersection. "Come on, girl," said Tanzan at once. Lifting her in his arms, he carried her over the mud. Ekido did not speak again until that night when they reached a lodging temple. Then he no longer could restrain himself. "We monks don't go near females." he told Tanzan, "especially not young and lovely ones. It is dangerous. Why did you do that?" "I left the girl there," said Tanzan. "Are you still carrying her?"

I love this story and commentary on our living. Why do we insist on carrying things and keep carrying those things forever on our backs? I love to backpack and I know how heavy my backpack can get when I carry all my camping gear. I would not think of carrying extra weight just for nothing. It is the same in our daily living. Why do we insist on carrying the extra stuff?

We all know how much energy it takes to carry things and keep them alive after many many years. Forgiveness is something we can talk

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into reality. It is a battle for us because it runs contrary to our "There is a story told of culture where we are taught that revenge is the only answer and it be through our bodies solution.

> of forgiveness that "whatever it is that is between us or keeping daily prayers includes our us apart, will no longer keep us divided. Whatever it is that has become the wall or chasm will not be any longer. Our relationship is or can be opened again.

Jesus spoke of and lived a life of forgiveness. He lived out the things we can "let go what he taught that there was of." Carry what you need to nothing that could stop his love carry. Don't fill your "life" or relationship with another packs with unneeded stuff! person, except that person. As

Christians, following in those same steps his life is our model and standard. For Jesus, and for us, if there is any judging to be done, it is left up to God, not us. It is not worth our lying awake all night because something is wrong and we need for someone to "pay" for that wrong. We can lie awake because "our justice" has not been accomplished.

When we keep things inside, simmering, they soon start to boil and we soon pay the price whether physically, emotionally, or I appreciate the definition spiritually. I pray that we pray, and that part of our letting go of the things we need to let go of and leave in God's hands.

As you walk your daily walk, remember the things we "need" to hang onto and



Monica Ann Gregg and Troy Edward Clinger

## Myers appointed as new KDL trustee

The Kent County Board of Commissioners appointed Charles Myers to the Kent District Library Board of Trustees.

Myers fills the unexpired term of Carol Wieland, who Pro Tem for the city of Lowleft the Board for health rea- ell, a city councilman and chair sons. He will represent the of the Zoning Board of Apcity of Lowell as well as Vergennes, Lowell and Bowne townships. His term will expire Dec. 31, 2001. "Kent District Library is excited to have Mr. Myers join

the board," said KDL director, Claudya Muller. "His experience, background and community involvement will be a great asset."

peals. He also serves on the boards of Lowell Rotary, the

nity Fund. Myers is vice president

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JULY 29: Rachael Vegter, Mary Acosta, Matt Lee. JULY 30: Patricia Smith, Scott Kooistra, Jodi Mohr, Kim-

berly DeBold, Bill Potter. JULY 31: Nancy Raymor, Sandy Roth, Rochelle Bieri, Morris Robert Young.

AUGUST 1: Sue Shalander, Barb Callihan.

AUGUST 2: Carolynn Kline, Hayley Woolfenden.



Wedding vows will be exchanged on September 23, 2000, by Monica Ann Gregg and Troy Edward Clinger, both of Grand Rapids.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Kenowa Hills High School. She is the daughter of Pat and Mary Ellen Scully of Walker and Ralph and Sandy Gregg of Jenison.

The future groom is a graduate of Lowell High School. He is the son of Dan and Nancy Fansher of Lowell and James Clinger of Florida.

Myers is currently Mayor Lowell Area Historical Association and Lowell Commu1

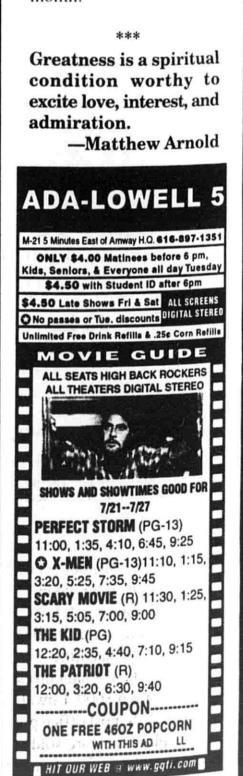


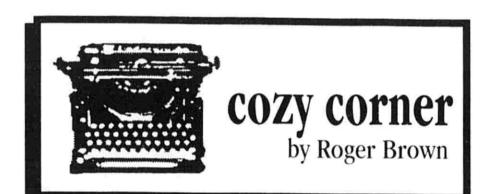
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and banking office manager for Huntington National Bank's Lowell locations. The eight members of the board of trustees represent 26 communities throughout Kent County and govern Kent District Library. Board meetings are held the third Thursday of every month.





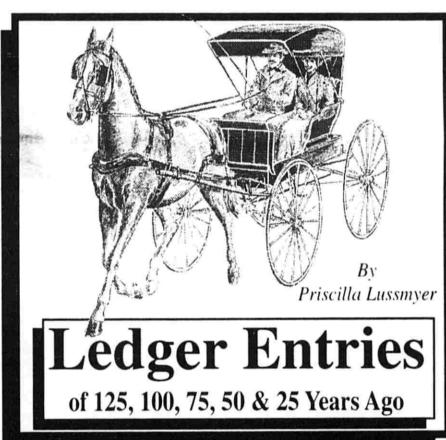
One of my many quirks is a reluctance to call people, men mostly, by their full name. To me a Michael is a Mike; a Peter is a Pete. A Charles is a Chuck; a Robert is a Bob, etc. There seems to be a movement afoot that washed in with this Yuppie trend some ten or fifteen years ago to be somewhat insistent about going by a full name like David or William or Richard. To me they are Daves, Bills and Dicks.

Worse yet, now that they are bearing children, they are also pushing the full versions of their kids' names. It's Jacob, not Jake. It's Andrew, not Andy. Not to me. They are Toms, Dicks and Harrys, not Thomases, Richards and Harolds.

There are a few exceptions to this quirk of mine. I seem to accept the formal version of a man's name for those I consider my elder. At age fifty there aren't many around who qualify as my elders. All those of my parents' generation are getting right up there, but I can't consider them elderly. That makes me next in line for the title and I'm not ready. To me, elderly is the generation before them, my grandparents. My Grandpa was Lester, not Les. My wife's grandfather was Laurence, not Larry.

Laurence is the one I'm here to write about. We lost the old guy a few days ago. He was 101 years old, just a few weeks away from 102!

Everybody called him Laurence, or Grandpa Laurence. Some called him Mr. Friend (his last name was a perfect match



### 125 YEARS THE WEEKLY JOURNAL, JULY 28, 1875

Dr. J.B. Malcolm has seven handsome new lightning rods installed on his house.

The Grand River Nurseries receive a front-page column on their recovery from forced sale. They are doing well, on a hurry-up eight-foot extension in time for Tuesday night. reduced scale.

This week's grandly-named "Sketches of Creation" about outstanding Lowell men who "have found promotion to position commensurate with the capacities of each individual, etc." discuss Dr. A.M. Ellsworth, physician, postmaster and director of the K.L. & N.M. Railroad; Rev. Danforth L. Eaton, pastor of the Congregational Church and director of the aforenamed RR; and Jarvis C. Train, produce dealer, developer of the Train Block and Opera House, and (you guessed it) Co. director of the KLNMRR.

"On Sunday night two fair-looking girls from Grand Rapids were looking up their cousins (?) in this city."

100 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER, JULY 26, 1900 D.G. "Deck" Look and Will M. Chapman of Lowell are both beaten out for nominations at the Republican County convention. Charges about open use of money have been made.

M.C. Griswold of the Lowell State Bank and two partners purchase the 50-foot schooner-rigged yacht "Argo" and are off on a tour of the lakes.

G.W. Parker of Lowell has purchased two celebrated stallions, Linwood and Beachwood, in Chicago. Under the headline "Got a Good Price:" James McPherson

sold his village tenant property to Mrs. Harriet Lee last week, consideration \$600. Lowell real estate property is picking up.

The U.S. post office proposes to print on stamps the name of the place they are sold, to trace stolen stamps and prevent the boycotting of postmasters.

for his personality). I referred to him as Grandpa Friend. Nobody called him Larry.

The funeral was last Monday. For a man that old, there certainly were a lot of people there. And, a lot of tears were Brothers flew. He had been retired for ten years when we went shed for a man of his age.

He was a WWI veteran, a "Doughboy." When they played perspective as the incredible events of the twentieth century "taps" at the graveside, there wasn't a dry eye in the crowd. unfolded before him. Grandpa Friend has been the point of, or at least mentioned His was a full life. His health was marginally good right up in this column several times over the years. I wrote about him until the end. He had been slightly hobbled by a stroke and when he was honored with a medal commemorating living forced to use a cane.

veterans at the 75th anniversary of WWI.

Again, when the French government bestowed their highest honor, the Legion of Honor, upon all living WWI veterans who served in France, Grandpa Friend was the subject of a piece in this paper. I don't remember for sure, but I'm guessing for himself. I mentioned something in print when Willard Scott acknowlthat defined the man.

I would have to say Grandpa loved two things above all edged Grandpa Friend's 101st birthday on the Today Show. else. They were fishing and pie. He used to do odd jobs for the Those were the highlights, but there were also lesser stories widow ladies in his neighborhood and took homemade pie as payment. We joked at the funeral that we should have made One story goes back ten or twelve years ... way back when him a sandwich board that read. "Will Work for Pie." I'm he was a young man of ninety. Grandpa Laurence roofed his happy to say I took him fishing just a few months ago and was garage. It wasn't just a shingle job, I'm talking a new roof! with my wife when she took him some pie not long before his Plywood roofing boards, the works! death. We're all going to miss him a lot.

He couldn't get full 4 by 8 foot sheets of plywood up the Laurence, not Larry, was a wonderful man and it was a ladder by himself, so he cut them in half. They say getting old pleasure to have known him. ain't for sissies. Laurence was no sissy.

Another story I love to tell is of a time grandpa mentioned going on a cattle drive when he was a young sprout. Immediately conjuring a John Wayne vision of Texas or Wyoming, I asked where. He told me he and a bunch of friends drove a hundred head from Sebewa where he grew up, to Greenville. The drive took a week, they camped along the way and had to drive the cattle across the Grand River in Ionia. Far from the wild west of my imagination, this real life 40-mile cattle drive had taken place right here in our backyard. Today the cattle

### **75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER AND THE** ALTO SOLO, JULY 23, 1925

The 25th anniversary of the Lowell Specialty Company brings a story of the founding in 1900 by D.G. Look and W.A Watts, who believed that soon all living vegetation would have to be sprayed if marketable fruits and vegetables were to be grown.

Lowell's free Chautauqua will start Tuesday at Recreation Park and will have afternoon and evening concerts, lectures and plays.

The Lowell-Mosely Road, starting a mile north of town and running to the Vergennes town line, will be built of gravel, 16 feet wide. The contract was awarded Tuesday by the county road commission.

There were 25 out of 30 high school boys who completed The most common types of skin cancer are basal cell their summer agriculture projects, and except for a few potato carcinoma and squamous cell carcinoma which occur preprojects which lost money, the average earnings were near dominantly on sun exposed areas. These cancers can easily be \$100. cured by surgical excisions usually performed in the office.

The trial of John Scopes, accused of teaching evolution, which is against the law in Tennessee, has started in Dayton, Tennessee. With William Jennings Bryan for the prosecution and Clarence Darrow for the defense, the nation is paying attention.

50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER, JULY 27, 1950 Showboat Week and over 12,000 people attend the first two nights. An overcrowded stage Monday night prompts a

There were 218 people on board (a bit too many) and a 110-member chorus who waded off as their weight tilted the boat, with already only a 6" draft. 180 will sail henceforth; band members will play on the dock.

State Road Commission chairman Charles Zeigler blames Michigan's high accident rate on inadequate roads due to 1927 tax structure, lowest in the nation.

Lee Pitsch brings the first load of wheat to King Milling

Some people are buying up products they've heard will be scarce, the "panic" items of the past like sugar, canned meats, coffee and nylons, in response to the Korean crisis.

### **25 YEARS LOWELL LEDGER AND SUBURBAN** LIFE, JULY 24, 1975

The New Kingston Trio's oldies headline this year's Showboat, reviewed here as the "best ever."

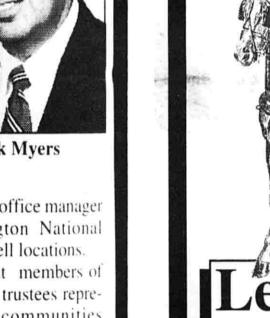
A two-stage water rate increase will go from the \$2 minimum now, rising by January to a \$4.50 minimum. Rates per thousand gallons will go to 36 cents under 50,000 gal., and 25 cents over.

With the addition to Bushnell, all elementary students can go to the nearest school; this will be phased in so students can finish at the school where they started.

A canoe race Saturday from the M-91 bridge south to the Showboat Amphitheatre will award prizes of tickets to the rock concert there in the evening.

Richie Curtis and Scott McCambridge are operating the Showboat paddle wheel for the fourth year.

# **Chuck Myers**

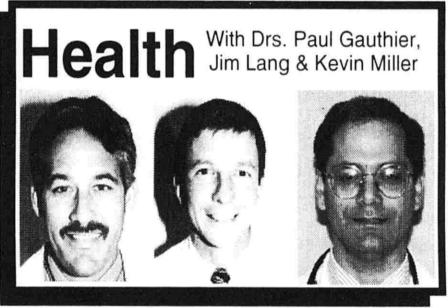




would be loaded on trucks and delivered that afternoon. Stories like this one made a person realize just how old 101 is. Grandpa Friend was five years old when the Wright

to the moon. Imagine what he must have thought from his

His hearing and eyesight were poor. His heart weakened and a pacemaker was implanted a few years ago. Like I said. getting old ain't for sissies. Despite all this his attitude was good, his mind was sharp, and he was able to do most things



SKIN CANCER

While walking on the beach in Grand Haven.we marveled at the number of people enjoying the beautiful day. I wondered how many of them were wearing sun screen. Skin cancer is a definite risk for sun bathers and on the rise in the United States. It is estimated that one in every five will develop skin cancer at one time in their life. Fortunately, most skin cancers can be cured if found early enough. Unfortunately, the incidence of malignant melanoma, the most serious form of skin cancer. is rising more rapidly than other cancers.

Malignant melanoma can occur on any part of the body even in areas not exposed to the sun. This type of cancer seems to occur in people that have limited, but intense exposure to the sun. Adults that were exposed to the sun as children and experienced frequent sunburn are at increased risk for developing this type of skin cancer.

We recommend that you examine your skin on a regular basis from your scalp to the soles of your feet. All of us have moles and sometimes it's difficult to distinguish a normal mole from a more serious skin lesion. Many physicians encourage the use of the "ABCD" rule when looking at moles. Lesions are suspicious if they exhibit one of the following:

A - Asymetric shape

B - Borders that are irregular C - Color that varies within the lesion

D - Diameter longer than a pencil eraser

Other things to look for when checking your skin are lesions that stay irritated, red or itchy, lesions that crack or bleed, sores that don't heal and lesions that change in size or

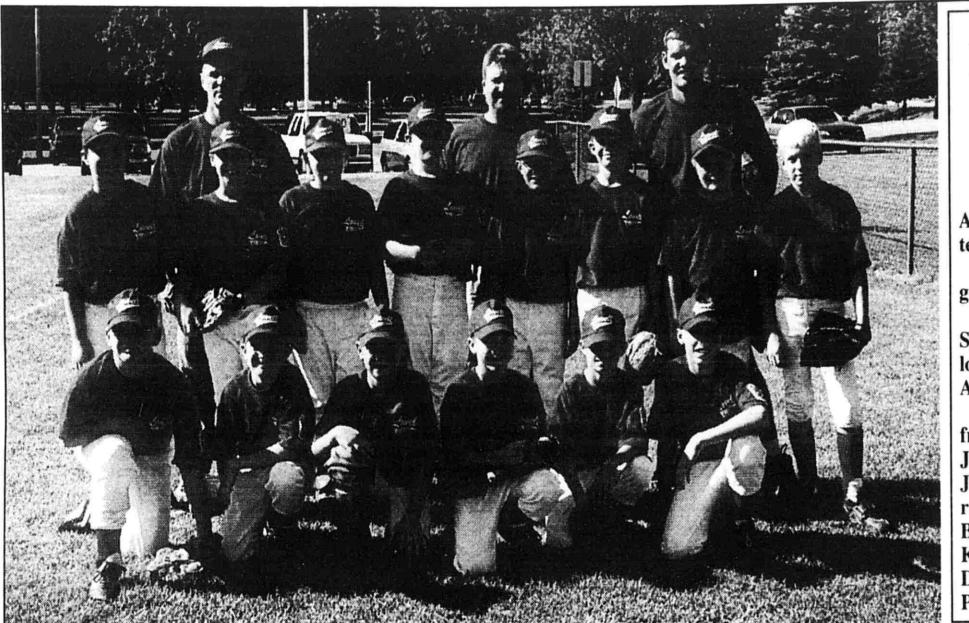
Although skin cancer is usually easily treated, prevention is still important. Wear sun screen with a minimum SPF of 15 and avoid the use of artificial tanning booths.

Letters, Letters, Letters, Letters...

The Lowell Ledger welcomes all "Letters to the Editor" for publication on its "Viewpoint" page. Letters can be typed or written. However, we ask that they do not exceed one written page or one typed, double-spaced page.

"Letters to the Editor" should be sent to the Lowell Ledger, 105 N. Broadway, P.O. Box 128, Lowell, MI 49331.

Editing may be necessary for space, clarity and to avoid obscenity, libel or invasion of privacy.





The Lowell Little League 9-10 minor boys All-Star team placed in the final eight out of 22 teams in the District IX All-State tournament. It's the farthest any Lowell team has ever gone in the tournament.

The Lowell team defeated Southwest 19-8. A 12-6.



## Lowell team among best in district

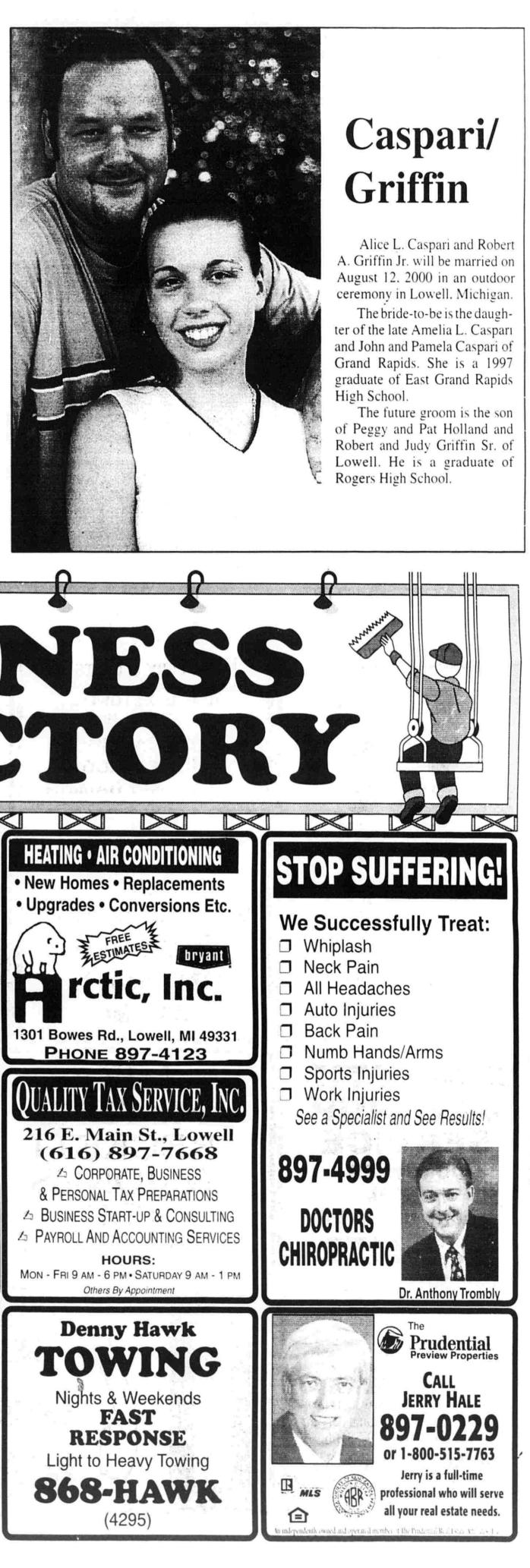
# Tent revival gets city council's okay

•••• The Community tent revival is tentatively scheduled tive feedback from the city fered up talent for the event. will. My wife and I thought if it's meant to be it will. for Sept. 22-24. The idea will be presented to the Vergennes Township Board, for its approval, on Aug. 14.

### By J. N. Boorsma Contributing Writer

such events, Pasquale ex-

which everyone would feel



and various community groups, including several local churches, which have ofThe Lowell Ledger-Wednesday, July 26 2000 -Page 7

"I'm not personally ben- if it's meant to be, it will." efiting from this." Schneider said. "Actually, it's just God's

# Parking Lot, cont'd.... From Page 1

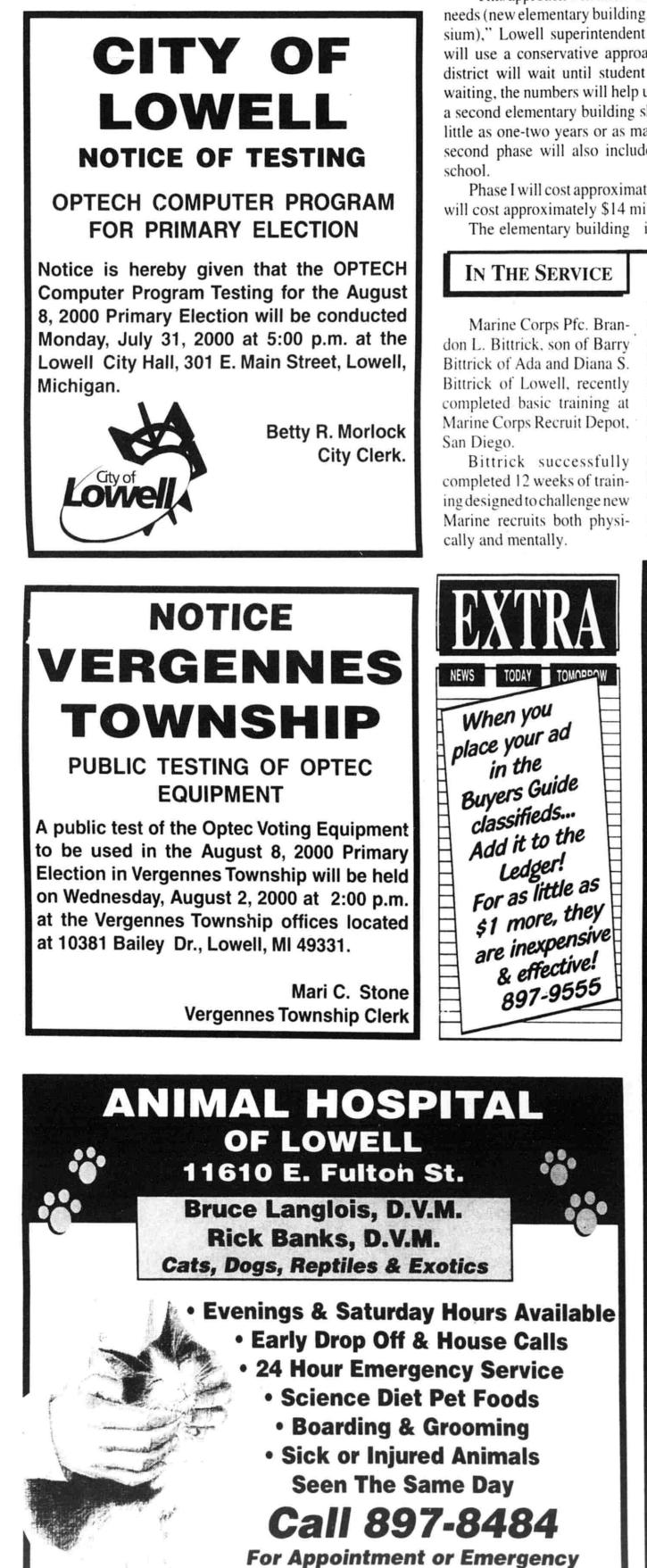
his employees to put the snow.

Nagel said he could eliminate eight of the parking spaces. move the entire parking lot north and allow for a sidewalk behind the buildings. Also, the space between Avery and the parking lot would allow for snow piles.

The third lot was the lot on the northeast corner of Monroe and Avery, which would create 45 new spaces for the city.

## Festival/Library, cont'd.... From Page 1

The counters indicate that the library's usage is actually down during Riverwalk Festival, which shows most people are only stopping at the library to use the facilities, she said "We have tried this for two years and decided that the



This lot included several islands to help with the landscaping. which again met with objections from DesJarden in regards to plowing "I like the library parking lot, but I wish I could move it to

California or somewhere where there isn't any snow," he said. Planning commissioners were not certain how much the parking lot would be used since it was not connected to the new

library needed to be closed," Aronson said.

City Hall and police station. City Manager Dave Pasquale said, however, that city employees would be using the lot and business owners have indicated they would use it as well. The planning commission asked Nagel to bring the revised plans back for their approval first before going to the

DDA

## Other restroom facilities are provided to the public during water. Bond, cont'd.... From Page 1

"This approach will allow us to take care of our immediate needs (new elementary building, technology and Alto gymnasium)," Lowell superintendent Bert Bleke explained. "We will use a conservative approach for phase II. The school district will wait until student growth necessitates it. By waiting, the numbers will help us determine where and when a second elementary building should be built. It could be as little as one-two years or as many as three-four years." The second phase will also include an addition onto the high

Phase I will cost approximately \$13 million while phase II will cost approximately \$14 million. The elementary building in phase I will be built in the

IN THE SERVICE

Marine Corps Pfc. Brandon L. Bittrick, son of Barry Bittrick of Ada and Diana S. Bittrick of Lowell, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot,

Bittrick successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new ship, hand-to-hand combat Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Bittrick and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m., by running three miles field training. and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Bittrick spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanand assorted weapons train- cruits ended the training phase ing. They performed close

order drill and operated as a with The Crucible, a 54-hour

also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values — honor, courage, and commitment, and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

**Re-Elect** 

Fair and Sensible Zoning

Quality zoning is essential to the maintenance of property values and that intangible thing we call rural character. What homeowner would want a scrap yard or commercial business to start up next door to the personal sanctuary we call home? While we may not like some of the parameters zoning establishes for us, it is the most important tool we have to define community priorities.

One of the advances in zoning I am most proud of was the recruitment and hiring of a professional zoning administrator in 1998. Jeanne VanderSloot has brought an unbiased and fair vision to her administration of the zoning ordinances. With Jeanne's assistance, township ordinances have been amended to make them less burdensome. Ordinances dealing with private roads and accessory buildings were changed to be more accommodating to the needs of our residents. We will be addressing other issues in the near future, and am looking forward to working on them.

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### the Riverwalk Festival and many local businesses do offer

northern end of the school district. The population numbers support a new elementary school in this section of the district. The new technology proposed for phase I includes: Additional internet stations in all schools;

· Upgraded computers and additional terminals in all media centers and labs:

• a new high school CAD lab; and • expanded web access (would allow parents and students

to view grade and attendance reports). "The challenge of student growth will remain regardless

of the bond issue's success," Bleke explained. "If it would not pass, the board of education would need to reconsider the Sept. 26 bond issue request as well as other options."

Bittrick and other recruits

Bittrick and fellow re- High School.

small infantry unit during the team effort, problem solving evolution which culminated with an emotional ceremony in which the recruits were presented the Marine Corps Emblem, and were addressed as "Marines" for the first time since boot camp began. Bittrick is a 1997 gradu-

ate of Forest Hills Central

# MARI STONE Vergennes

**Township Clerk** 

August 8th **Primary** 

# **Lowell VFW 8303 makes short list of All-State Posts**

•••• Lowell's Gordon Marshall nominated to be "National Deputy Chief-of-Staff." VFW Post 8303 places fourth in state.

The Veterans of Foreign Post Commander, Marshall Wars Department of Michigan held its 81st State Convention at the Hyatt Regency Commander's lapel pin and in Dearborn, MI.

Elections of state VFW and Auxiliary officers for the 2000-2001 year were held and US Air Force Vietnam veteran. Ron Amend of Post 7486, Fairgrove, MI, was elected Michigan State Commander.

Lowell Post 8303 was represented by Gordon Marshall, Commander, delegates John VanderWilp, Jr. be 100 percent in member-Vice Commander and Post Service Officer/Past Eighth District Commander Mike Willard.

nual Michigan VFW convention is the banquet on Saturday evening and the naming of the All State Posts and Commanders. For the third straight year, Flat River VFW Post 8303, Lowell, has made the list of All State Posts. As they are hard to identify. We

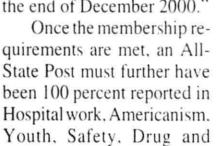
was presented a citation for the post, an All State the much coveted "White Hat." The presentations were made by state Commander James Van Hauter and National Jr. Vice Commanderin-Chief, James Goldsmith. Goldsmith is from Flint and is the first veteran from Michigan to be elected to that post since 1946.

"To be named an "All State Post," a post must first ship. That is the key element to the whole All State program," said Marshall. "Being 100 percent of the previous The highlight of the an- year's membership opens the door, but it's getting tougher every year because of the attrition rate in the WW2 veteran populace. We know there are many, many veterans in the Lowell area that are eligible for membership, but



ell Post 8303 Commander

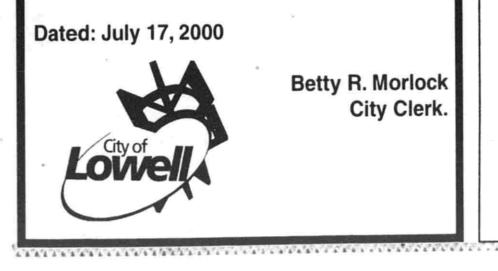
had to find and sign up six new members last year and we'll have to have that many



State.

for almost the whole year. Gordon Marshall: Lowbut finished fourth, as three other larger posts made big recruiting surges in the last month and racked up huge bonus points for membership. "Number four in the state is GARAGE SALE YARD SALE 2 FAMILY Women's clothes, furni-Lots of everything. 12968 Grand River Dr. ture, July 28 & 29, 8 - 6. 7224 Scotts Rd., July 27 & 28, 9-5. Belding. NASCAR COLLECTIBLES GARAGE SALE full size dart board 931 Beech St., Thurs & misc. clothes & toys. Fri., July 27 & 28, 10-6, 311 North St., July 28 & Sat. July 29, 9-2. Chain 29, 9-? ink fence, canoe, M & M collectibles, tools, toys, dishes & clothes & much GARAGE SALE ALTO more. corner of 60th & Harrison, Thurs., July 27, 6-8 pm, Fri., July 28 WOMAN'S GOLF 9 am-3 pm. toys, girls **CLUBS & BAG** clothes (7-8), Jr. size books, dishes, glassclothes, dryer, treadmill ware, cookware, plant comforter sets, pots, fabric, craft & guilt PokemOn cards, lots of magazines & much stuff! more. Sat., July 29, 433 Alden Nash, 9-6. ADA BIG SALE Wed. - Sat., 9-7 p.m. Oak desk, Barbie HUGE GARAGE SALE house, Little Tikes play Antique table & chairs. table, children's & inf dresser, bed, tools, dishants' clothes, women's es, lamps, ladders, etc jeans sz. 5-20; maple Fri, July 28, 8-5, Sat. bed, household goods 8 July 29, 8-2, 9511 Nash much more. 1124 Rd. (just 1/2 mi. N. of McCabe, Ada (McCabe Clarksville) off Bailey). 11 11 64 GARAGE SALE **3 FAMILY SALE** Fri. & Sat., July 28 & 1720 Sibley with lots of 29, 9-4 p.m. 12031 stuff for everyone. 7/27 Kinyon Trail (Grand 28 & 29 from 9-5. River W. to Gulliford to Gulliford Trail.) Men's, **3-FAMILY GARAGE** women's & teen cloth-SALE ing, girls 10 spd bike, day only, Fri., July 28, books, audio visual equip., & many house 9-6 p.m. Everything priced to sell. 13766 hold items. Grindle Dr.

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normal business hours.

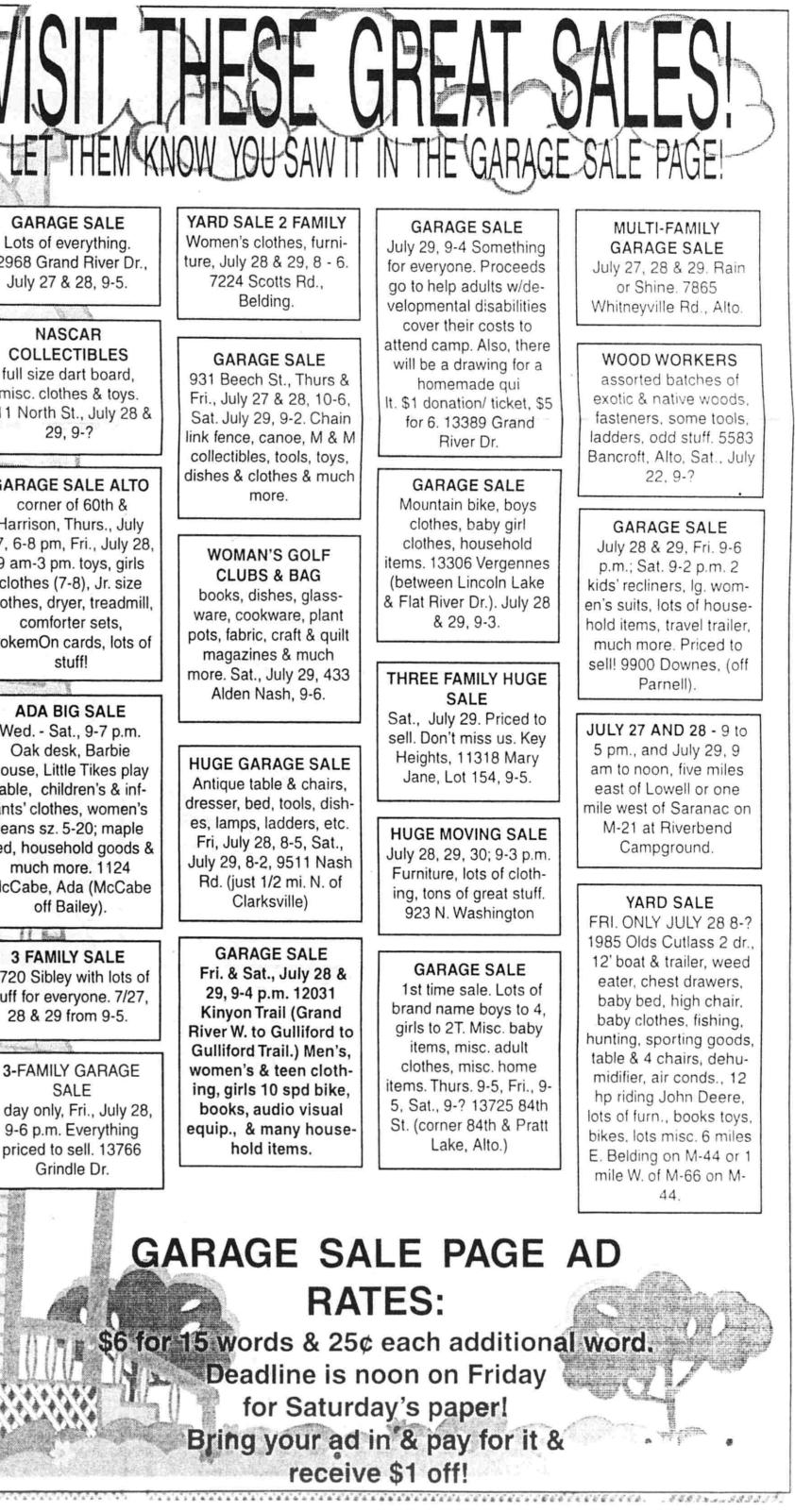
more for 2001 just to keep up. We will have to do it before the end of December 2000." Once the membership recategories and accumulate enough "bonus" points to make the list as one of the top 10 percent of all posts in the

great," declared Marshall, "considering we are a small post of 127 members."

Commander Van Hauter. in further recognition of all to do something unique. State Post must further have his work for the VFW, nomibeen 100 percent reported in nated Marshall to be a "Na-Hospital work, Americanism. tional Deputy Chief-of-Staff" Youth, Safety, Drug and and he has received a Na-Community Service activities tional hat with a silver cord. "Mike Willard and Wes Adrianse were both named as "National Aide-de-Camp" in the past but Deputy Chief-of-Staff is a first for Flat River Post 8303 led the points 8303. It is a singular honor that opens that first door." for both the Post and me, and it is my distinct pleasure to accept it," declared Marshall. Marshall has been elected commander again and is hard at work trying to make Post

8303 an All-State Post in 2001. "This will be my last year as commander of Post 8303, and we have a chance There are posts that have made All-State many times (Fenton has 19 in a row) but few (if any) commanders have made All State four vears in a row," said Marshall. "A new state Commander means a new and different All-State program, but as always membership is the key

VFW Post 8303 meets on the first Monday of each month at the Post at 307 E Main Street. Please contact them at 897-8625 or 897-9132 for more information about membership.



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And TOWN TALK \_\_\_\_

The Lowell Planning Commission and Lowell City Council reached different decisions on whether or not communications towers should be allowed in residential districts. What do you think?



Chris VerBrugge I'm torn between the two It provides a service. There are probably 75-80 percent of the people using cell phones. I guess a lot would depend on the type of neighborhood and how close it was to a house.



Nancy Wilson (Jesse) Yeah. Iwould allow them. They are providing a service. We need to use them.

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Teresa Cruz I wouldn't want one in my backyard. It has to hurt the property value.

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**Dennis Wilcox** I think a better place could be found for the towers. I don't think they would have that much impact on property value. No more than if a new road was put in.



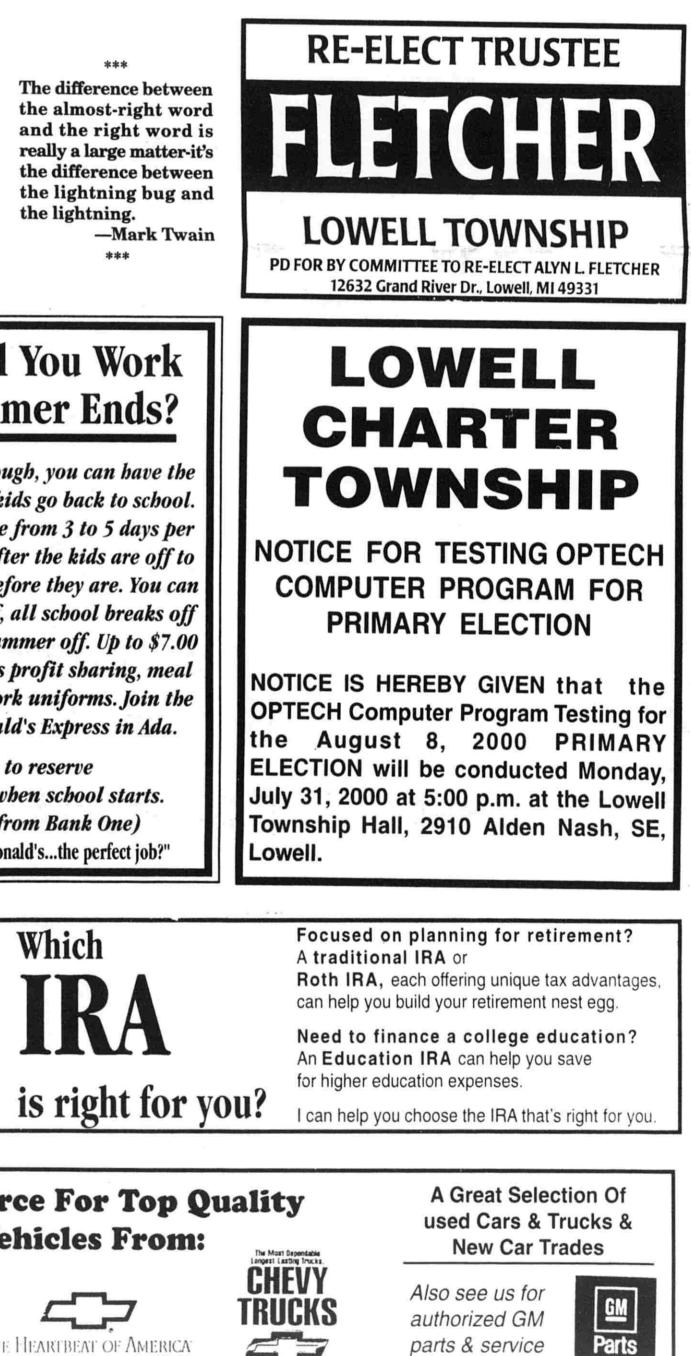
not have the evesore.

Carol McVev I can see how it is nice to have them, but I would rather

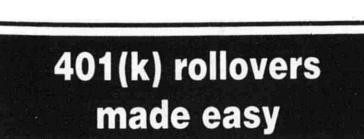
**Roger Petroelje** I don't have a problem with the towers being in residential districts. Although I don't know that I would want it in my backvard.

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### Sue Rankin

With the continuing advancement in technology, they should be allowed in residential districts.

**Terry Herbruck** My personal preference would be yes, allow them in residential districts - I need to be able to use my cell phone.

# **Township ordinance amendment will allow for steeper grades**

ice and snow are present.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell Charter Township's amendment to its private demonstrate that automobile traffic will easily be able to go street ordinance allows for a grade increase as long as certain up and down the grade at all times of the year, including when standards are met.

The change allows for grades up to eight percent. The previous limit was six on 100 feet of roadway. The grade cannot obstruct the ability of emergency may be allowed on the cut slopes of the private street ... if

vehicles from reaching portions of a development. The private street must be safe and the developer must

approved by the township engineer. The Lowell Charter Township Board voted to retain its authority on the issue of whether steeper grades should be allowed.

Township supervisor John Timpson said he felt elected officials should be involved in approving steeper grades as opposed to commission members who are appointed.

# Township action would require special use permit for some R-1 uses

Under certain circumstances, to reduce the loss of trees

and reduce the amount of earth to be moved, retaining walls

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

A changing nature of the rural low density residential



proposed change to uses permitted by right in that district. The proposal calls for certain uses on the Lowell Charter

Township Zoning Ordinance Bulk Table, currently in the "Permitted by Right" category in the rural low density residential (R-1) zoning district, to be moved to the "permitted by special use" category.

Planning commissioner Dave Simmonds said the change will protect citizens living in the district. Uses moved, which now require a special use permit in R-

zoning, are: \* barns, stables, silos, etc.

\* agricultural, horticultural, vitacultural, dairy farming.

district may move Lowell Charter Township to support a cattle, hog, poultry, livestock raising, farm, forestry and similar bona fide farming or agricultural enterprises, including animal feedlots and piggeries containing less than 10 animals.

\* nurseries or greenhouses mises

Agricultural dwellings, single family dwellings, marketing of agricultural products grown on premises and home occupations are still permitted by right in R-1 zoning. Lowell Charter Township will revisit the proposal at its

August meeting.





\* marketing of agricultural products processed on pre-

# **COMING EVENTS**

Notices in The Ledger's "Coming Events" are free of charge to any non-profit organization in the Lowell, Ada, Alto, and Saranac area. We prefer such notices to be kept brief and to be submitted by mail, but will accept notices by phone at 897-9261.

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.

House and Fallasburg Schoolhouse museums open from 2-6 p.m. in Fallasburg Historic Village, across the Covered Bridge from Fallasburg Park.

SECOND SUN. EACH ings and rotate houses. Home. This is a volunteer .897-5257. Space limited group formed to enhance call soon. the quality of life for all the residents. Interested per- EVERY SECOND TUES .: times available: 9:45 to Cascade & Lowell meets at in the Activity Room, Wing

FIRST MON .: Fellowship Masons are welcome. of Christian Athletes (FCA) during lunch periods in the cafeteria for updates on coming events and information.

MONTH: The Lowell Area Schools Board of Educa- or 897-7555. tion meets at 7:30 p.m. in ing located in the former Runciman Elementary, 300 High Street.

SECOND MON. OF EACH MONTH: The Bowne EVERY 3RD TUES .: Par- Sensibly Tops MI, No. 333. cafeteria during seminar Township Historical Society will hold its regular HD Issues Group meeting Thursday evening at the for activities. meetings at the Historical at St. Lukes Lutheran Saranac Public Library. Museum at 84th and Alden Church, 32156 4 Mile NE Weigh-ins at 6:45 p.m. Nash. The meeting is at (at 4 Mile and East Beltline) 7:30 p.m.

Scouts for boys in 1st - 5th grades, in Alto or in Lowell. EVERY 1STTUES: Adults istration is a half hour before room for a light breakfast. Contact Terry Amidon at 897-8751 for more information.

FOURTH MONDAY OF Connie 942-6887. **EACH MONTH:** American at Lowell V.F.W. Hall, 307 E. Main St. at 8 p.m.

Post 8303 meets at the V.F.W. Clubroom, 307 E. Main St. Lowell at 7:30 p.m. WED .: Rollaway Ltd. Se-

EVERY MON .: Boy Scout and over. Troop 10210, for boys 11 & up or completing the 5th- WED .: 8 p.m. ALANON amines theater related p.m.

8:30 p.m. during the school gational Church basement. sonal development skills. year in the Scout Cabin at the end of N. Washington EVERY WED .: Rotary month at Lowell Middle Wed., 1-8 p.m.; Tues. & Street. Enjoy activities like hiking and camping and learn skills that can last a July include: Pam Nation, 1502 evenings after 5 p.m. lifetime. For more information call Terry Cavanaugh, 868-6481.

TUES .: Take Off Pounds Outdoors program. Mem- ter Fellowship Hall, corner Sensibly Tops MI#372 bers plan on attending & of 84th & M-50 (Alden meets every Tuesday bring a guest. evening at Key Heights Mobile Home Park Com- FIRST WED. EACH EVERY 2ND THURS .: munity Building. Weigh-ins at 5:45 p.m.

Woodcarvers are meeting 897-9310 for information. EVERY SUN.: Misner at LAAC from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. New members wel- EVERY SECOND WED .: Auxiliary No. 8303 meets come.

TUES .: Summer play community room at Lowell. group for 3-year old/preschool age children. They Bowes Rd. meet weekly in the morn-MONTH: 3:15 to 4:30 Also field trips. Interested p.m., Family Council for the in some summer fun with Laurels of Kent Nursing your little one? Call Kim

sons are welcome to meet Lowell Masonic Lodge 10:45 a.m. or 12:45 to 1:45 6:30 p.m. for socializing regular meeting, 7:30 p.m. p.m. Call Sister Colleen Ann with meeting at 7 p.m. at the Masonic Center, 119 Nagle, F.S.E. at the Fran- Mother to mother support Lincoln Lake, Lowell. All

meets at the High School EVERY TUES .: Ladies EVERY OTHER WED .: come to attend. Our curren Coffee Break Bible study. 6:45-8:45 p.m. G.E.M.S. location is a church in Ada Free nursery and preschool Girls Club at Calvary Chris- Please call 752-7524 for story hour/crafts time. Cal- tian Reformed Church. All more information. vary Christian Reformed girls ages 8 to 13 are wel-Church across from Burger come. Call 897-8694 for SECOND THURS. OF EV-SECOND MON. OF EACH King. 10 to 11:15 a.m. For information call 897-6462

the Administration Build- EVERY1ST&3RDTUES .: Forest Hills Presbyterian at 7 p.m. Lowell Lions Club meets at Church, 7495 Cascade Rd. 6:30 p.m. at Look Memo- (at 36th St.) No fees, no THIRD THURS. OF EACH rial Fire Station, South dues, no weigh-ins. Hudson, Lowell.

ents of children with AD/ Saranac, meets every time for planning sessions at 7 p.m. For info., call Linda THURS .: Weight Watch- EACHMONTH: Fellowship at 874-5662. For teen group ers meets in Lowell at the of Christian Athletes (FCA) MON. OR TUES.: Cub info, call Sarah 281-6588.

bldg. For information call 800-651-6000.

Legion Clark-Ellis Post 152 EVERY OTHER WED .: Mary's Pregnancy Crisis teur Radio Club sponsors 6:45-8:45 p.m. G.E.M.S. Girls Club at Calvary Christian Reformed Church. EVERY1STMON .: V.F.W. Girls ages 8-13 are welcome. Call 897-8694.

nior Bowling, 1 p.m., 55

grade, will meet from 7 to - meets at Lowell Congre- topics, creative and per-

exec. director Habitat for Humanity:

p.m. at Cumberland Retire- 2700 E. Fulton. TUES .: Flat River ment Village. Phone

> G.F.W.C. Lowell Women's at 3:30 p.m. at the V.F.W. Club meets at noon in the Post, 307 W. Main Street, Schneider Manor, 725

EVERY FOURTH WED .: lar meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Elderly volunteers needed the Lowell Masonic Cento Intergenerational Program Lowell. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. with school age children from Lowell in many differ- EVERY THIRD THURS .: entseasonal activities. Two LaLeche League of Ada ciscan Child Development Center, 897-7842.

information.

EVERY WED .: Overeaters the Averill Historical Mu-Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. at seum of Ada, 7144 Headley

THURS .: Take Off Pounds meets in the high school

Nazarene Church, 201 N. meets at 7 a.m. in high Washington, at 7 p.m. Reg- school teachers dining with AD/HD Issues Group meetings. New members For information concerning meeting at Calvin College are invited to join at any FCA call Kris Gallagher a Rm. 206 of the Commons time. Questions? Call 1- 676-1355 or Linda Johnson

> EVERY THURS. - St. EVERYSAT. Lowell Ama-Center, 402 Amity St., non- the 145.270 - repeater denominational-help for which operates on a 24pregnant women and ado- hour basis. Also there is a 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. and on 147.420 PL 186.2. Mondays from 5:30 - 8 p.m. Phone 897-9393.

FIRSTTHURS.: 4H drama Museum of Ada, 7144 club meeting. The club ex- Headley is open from 1 to 4

Meetings held once a meets at noon at the Ma- School choir room. For Fri., 1-5 p.m.; Thurs. & sonic Temple. Programs for more information call 897- Sat., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Clarence **FIRST** AND THIRD Underwood, athletic direc- THURS .: The Alto Lions tor for MSU & A Michigan Club meets at Bowne Cen-Nash) at 7 p.m.

MONTH: Alzheimers Sup- N.A.R.F.E. meets 1:30 p.m. port Group meets at 6:30 at Trinity Lutheran Church,

> EVERY SECOND THURS .: Lowell V.F.W.

**EVERY THIRD THURS.:** Royal Arch Masons requparticipate in the ter, 119 Lincoln Lake

> for pregnant breastfeeding women. Nursing children are wel

ERY MONTH: The Ada Historical Society meets at

MONTH: Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)

lescents at the school. From Simplex Frequency

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FOURTH THURS. OF at 897-4922.

THURS., FRI., SAT. & SUN .: Averill Historical

ENGLEHARDT BRARY HOURS: Mon. &

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE: Business meeting held third Monday of each month at 8 p.m.

LOWELL AREA ARTS COUNCIL: Open Tues., Wed. & Fri. noon - 5 p.m.; Thurs., noon - 7 p.m.; Sat., 1-4 p.m. 149 S. Hudson.

STARTING NOW - St. Patrick School registration for 2000/2001 school vear. Call 691-8833. For more information check our website at www.stpatrickparnell.org.

LI- THURS., JULY 27: 1st United Methodist Church in Ionia will be having cold pop & bottled water along with homemade cookies for sale on the east lawn of the church during the Ionia Free Fair Parade. Proceeds go toward their Christmas basket program.

> JULY 27, AUG. 1 & AUG. 8: Lowell Youth Football League (flag football, cheerleading, 78ers) signups will take place at Cherry Creek Cafeteria from 6-8 p.m. All sign-ups must bring a copy of Birth Certificate Questions - call 897-7896.

THURS., AUG. 3: Vergennes Cooperative Club meets at Schneider Manor at 1 p.m. Hostesses: Marsha Wilcox, Barb Litschewski, Marilyn Cahoon, Marie Rickert; program: Don Taylor, Wild Birds Unlimited sponsor: Danni Smith

BOWNE TOWNSHIP NOTICE

Notice for testing Optec computer program for August 8th primary.

Notice is hereby given that the Optec computer program testing for the primary election is Monday, July 31, 2000.

At the historic township hall, 8240 Alden Nash at 2:00 p.m.

> Sandra L. Kowalczyk - Clerk **Bowne Township**

### **WEEKLYACTIVITIES** LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR 897-5949

MON .: 8:30 a.m., Walking, Woodland Mall. TUES .: 8:30 a.m. Walking, Woodland Mall.

WED.: 12:45 p.m. Shopping assistance.

THURS: 9 a.m. Walk and shop Woodland Mall; 9:30 a.m. Crafts; 1:00 p.m. Euchre.

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

### Special Events

WED., JULY 26: 8 a.m. Women's breakfast.

THURS., JULY 27: 7:15 a.m., Soaring Eagle.

FRI., JULY 28: 9 a.m. Senior Neighbors all centers picnic.

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



Tim Harden Johnathon Nichols Josh Flier Alexis Fiske Tara Rowley Jacob Sweet

Jillian Lane Elizabeth Smith Melissa Mosher Alan Onan Anna Lane Allison Young

Nick Price Josh Wilcox **Renee Hankins** Meridith Lane Charlie Young

FAMILY DENTISTRY Ann Wilson, D.D.S. New Patients Welcome! 505 W. Main St. • Suite E, Lowell, MI 49331 897-4835

# YMCA Softball tourney raises \$1,500

spectively

concluded.

•••• The proceeds will go to Fred Probst in his fight against cancer.

The 1st annual Lowell Area Softball Tournament hosted by the Lowell YMCA raised \$1,500 for Fred Probst in his fight against cancer.

The 11-team field played 21 games before Main Street Banquet #1's 12-10 win in the championship game against the Billy Madden led Mad Dawgs.

Main Street Banquet was led by Bruce Curtis' nine home runs in five games. While Curtis was doing it at the plate, Mark Johnson had a solid day on the mound.

"The championship had two good teams in it," said Jonathan Smith, Lowell YMCA sports program coordinator.

### LAAC to hold "Harvey" auditions

The Lowell Area Arts Council is accepting auditions for "Harvey," a three-act comedy by Mary Chase. The play requires six women ages 25-60 and six men ages 30-60.

Auditions are at the council (149 S. Hudson) on Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 8 and 9 and Aug. 15 and 16 at 7 p.m. Performance dates for the play are Oct. 19-21 at the Lowell Performing Arts Center at the high school. For more information, call 897-8545.

To be nobody but yourself-in a world which is doing its best, night and day to make you everybody else-means to fight the hardest battle which any human being can fight and never stop fighting.

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-e.e.cummings \*\*\*



# **LOWELL CHARTER** TOWNSHIP

### AMENDMENTS TO THE LOWELL TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE

The following is a summary of the amendments to the Lowell Township Zoning Ordinance adopted by the Charter Township of Lowell at a regular meeting held on Monday, July 17, 2000. A true copy of the amendments and/or the complete ordinance may be obtained at the Township Hall during regular business hours.

Uniformity of Terms - For purposes of uniformity in the Ordinance, all references to "private road" in Sections 4.5.2, 4.5.3 and 4.5.4 shall be changed to "private street."

2.0 Added to WORDS AND TERMS DEFINED: Private Street - any private street, private road, private lane or joint driveway serving two or more residences in Lowell Charter Township, which is constructed and maintained by the owner or owners, and which is not dedicated for the general public use. If used in the Zoning Ordinance, any reference to the term "Private Road" or "Private Roadway" shall be deemed to refer to a Private Street as defined herein.

Article IV, section 4.5.5 Maintenance and Repair - is replaced and amended in its entirety.

Article IV, section 4.5.6 Design Standards - is replaced and amended in its entirety to include:

- A. Private Street Layout
- B. Minimum Right of Way Width C. Private Street Requirements
- D. Cul-de-sac Private Street and Turnarounds
- E. Private Street Grade
- F. Emergency Access
- G. Exceptions or Design Modifications

EFFECTIVE DATE - These amendments shall take effect 30 days after publication.

Main Street Banquet #2 placed third with Lowell Water Works and Lowell Engineering placing fourth and fifth re-

"We plan on making this an annual event, giving softball players in this area a good tournament close to home." Smith



### NOTICE FOR TESTING OPTEC COMPUTER PROGRAM FOR AUGUST PRIMARY

Notice is hereby given that the OPTEC Program Testing for the August 8, 2000 State Primary Election will be conducted on Friday, July 28, 2000 in the Grattan Township Hall, 12050 Old Belding Road, Belding, MI at 8:00 a.m.

Peggy A. Gurney, Clerk

Linda S. Regan, Clerk Lowell Charter Township

# CenturyTel put on hold as city works on proposed wireless communications ordinance

By J.N. Boorsma Contributing Writer

found themselves in the same boat as AT&T - in a holding nattern - as the city works on a tower until after the ordi- at 113 Riverwalk Plaza. With its new ordinance for wire- nance has been approved. less communications towers.

Oliver, Dan CenturyTel, made a presen- does meet all the require- posal, Oliver said the comtation to the Lowell Planning Commission at its Monday nance (for radio and TV tow- antennas on top and place had several concerns about

ning of the meeting, the com- quirements of the future ordimission decided it would not nance," Oliver said. CenturyTel officials make any formal decisions on any cable company's pro- to add another 20 feet to the posal to either coexist or erect Lowell Cable tower located

of have this approved since it to 183 feet. With that proments under the current ordi- pany would place the cable

\$63,927.19

\$11,136.29

\$822.00

Linda S. Regan

Clerk

\$6,061.67

**LOWELL CHARTER** 

TOWNSHIP

SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES FOR

**REGULAR MEETING OF** 

**MONDAY, JULY 17, 2000** 

Called to order at 7:00 p.m. Seven board

members present. Minutes of the regular

Business Conducted: Moved to award the

North Kent Transit Service contract to Hope

Network: moved to adopt amendments to

the Private Street ordinance; received an

update on the Township Park and heard

presentation from a library representative

explaining the August 8 millage proposal.

meeting of JUNE 19, 2000 approved.

Approved bills totaling:

**General Fund** 

Sewer Fund

Water Fund

**Trust & Agency Fund** 

Adjournment at 8:35 p.m.

that. Also, the company box under the tower within the gated area and would height of the towers. clean up the weeds by putting in some white limestone.

ever, tabled the matter until p.m. at City Hall to begin new a lightning rod on top, the discussions on the proposed "I would like to push to tower would go from 148 feet wireless communications tower ordinance, which was sent back by the city council last week. Councilmembers night meeting. At the begin- ers) and would meet all re- CenturyTel's antennas below the proposed ordinance such as allowing towers in the subplanned to put a free-standing urban residential area, the density of the towers, and the While waiting, City Man-

ager Dave Pasquale said there

### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING** FOR **IMPROVEMENTS TO BIG PINE ISLAND LAKE**

TAKE NOTICE that the Big Pine Island Lake Improvement Board will hold a public hearing on the practicability of a four-year aquatic plant control project for Big Pine Island Lake at the Grattan Township Hall located at 12050 Old Belding Road NE, Belding, Michigan on Thursday, August 17, 2000 at 7 p.m.

This hearing is being held in accordance with provisions of Part 309, Inland Lake Improvements, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, Public Act 451 of 1994, as amended.

**Big Pine Island Lake Improvement Board** 

LOWELL SCHOOL BOARD BRIEFS

SUMMARY OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AND SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LOWELL **BOARD OF EDUCATION, JULY 10, 2000** 

OATH OF OFFICE - Board President, Pete Gustafson, administered the oath of office to Mark Blanding and Kate Dernocoeur who were elected on June 12, 2000 for four year

ELECTION OF OFFICERS - The following members were voted into office for the 2000-2001 school year:

Pete Gustafson Nancy Hopkins Pat Nugent James Reagan **CTION ITEMS** -

December 11, 2000

January 8, 2001

- President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer
- Regular Board meeting dates were set as follows: August 14, 2000 September 11, 2000 October 9, 2000 November 13, 2000
  - February 12, 2001 March 12, 2001 April 16, 2001 May 14, 2001 June 11, 2001
- Workshop Sessions were set for the following Mondays: Possible August Workshop - date to be determined September 25 October 23 January 22 November 27 March 26 February 26 April 30

Nancy Hopkins appointed to serve on the Kent ISD Legislative Relations Network for the 2000-2001 school year.

The Board adopted bylaws for the 2000-2001 school year.

**CONSENT ITEMS -**

Approved were: · Appointment of Assistant to Board Secretary. Check Signature Authorizations, Depositories of Funds, Conflict of Interest, Delegation of Election Duties,

Meeting Notices, Board Member Compensation, Organizational Memberships, Legal Services and the District Auditor.

BOARD COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS - Discussion was held on committee assignments for the 2000-2001 school year. The following assignments were made: Board Finance/Personnel Committee - Mark Blanding, Mark Lessens, James Reagan; Board Curriculum/Policy Committee -Kate Dernocoeur, Nancy Hopkins, Pat Nugent.

### SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

### ACTION ITEMS -

Accepted the following gifts: · Dan Wood donation of computer equipment and software

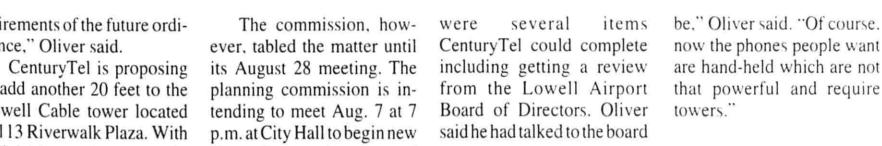
valued at \$500 to be used by Lowell Area Schools students. · Robert and Kathleen Gingerich donation of preschool toys valued at \$175 to be used by the PPI program. · Don and Judie Silvis donation of computer equipment valued at \$50 to be used by Lowell Area Schools.

Adopted the September 26, 2000 Bond Election Resolution calling for the special election. Bert Bleke explained the need for the election due to student growth and that the election would call for a 2-phase approach. Phase one would include improvement to facilities, additional technology and a new elementary school. Phase two would be initiated at a later date depending upon student growth and would call for a second elementary school with an addition to the high school.

### **CONSENT ITEMS -**

 Approved the minutes for June 12, 2000 Regular Meeting, June 12, 2000 Closed Session, June 29, 2000 Special Meeting, and June 29, 2000 Closed Session.

• Approved the following payment of bills: GENERAL FUND \$845,276.59 SCHOOL SERVICES FUND A. Food Service Fund B. Athletic Fund \$55,327.07 TRUST & AGENCY FUND Approved the following new hires



now the phones people want are hand-held which are not

I applaud the fact that you (CenturyTel) are looking at an existing tower.

### **Trudy Cahoon** Lowell Planning Commissioner

and they indicated they didn't think he would get approval from the FAA, which did come a couple of days ago. The Lowell Planning Commission questioned

whether the silos would have any affect on the reception.

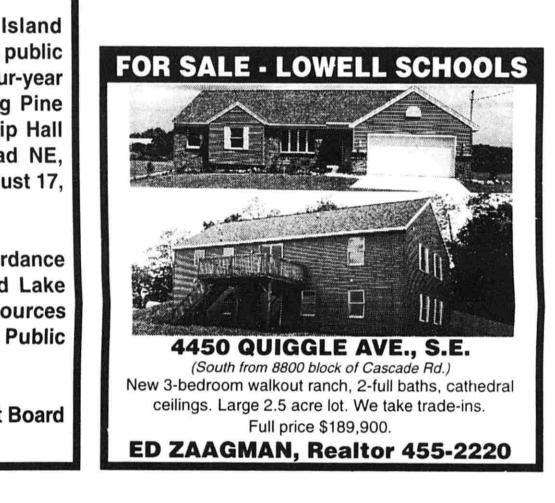
"The silos would create a minor problem," Oliver said, adding that what interruptions in cover it would create would be insufficient to the total coverage of the area.

"CenturyTel has been providing coverage in this area since cellular came to

The planning commission asked that elevations be placed on the site plan.

Commissioners also asked company officials to look at putting their equipment in the building along with matching landscaping which is being considered for that area by the Downtown Development Author-

"I applaud the fact that you are looking at an existing tower," said planning commissioner Trudy Cahoon.



\$49,942.30 \$20,599.62

Kim Griffith - High School Special Education Teacher Rachel Bowen - Alto 4th Grade Teacher Cyndi Geiger - Middle School Counselor · Approve the following leave request:

Amy Hayes - on or about November 14, 2000 through the rest of the school year. • Accepted the Canvass Report for the June 12, 2000

annual election. • Approved the renewal of the Chartwell's Food Service Agreement for the 2000-2001 school year.

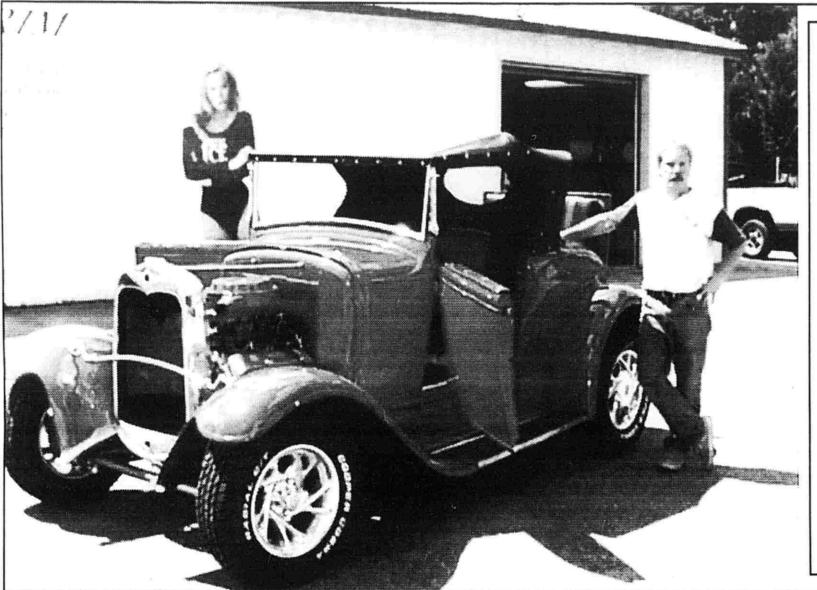
BOARD GOALS - Discussion was held on establishing/revamping Board goals for the 2000-2001 school year. This item will be brought back for adoption at an upcoming Board meeting.

MEAP - Jim White explained the results of the 5th and 8th grade MEAP examinations held in January/February dealing with Science, Social Studies and Writing.

WITTENBACH SCIENCE CENTER - Larry Mikulski reported on the construction progress of this facility. The construction is on schedule and should be completed by August 28. Jim White then reported on the many student activities that will take place at the new facility. The dedication of the Wege Natural Area and Wittenbach Science Center will be held on Friday, September 8.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Bert Bleke welcomed Kate Dernocoeur to the Board of Education.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS: Combined Board Finance/Personnel Committee** & Board Curriculum/Policy Committee Thurs., July 27, 2000 - 7 a.m. Runciman Admin. Bldg. - Board Room **Regular Board Meeting** Mon, August 14, 2000 - 7:30 p.m. Runciman Admin. Bldg. - Board Room visit our web page at www.lowell.k12.mi.us WE VALUE Responsibility • Integrity • Compassion • Honesty • Respect



# **Elect Paula Blumm**

Lowell Township Trustee on August 8th

With major commercial development along M21 and over 400 new residences currently planned, we are entering a time of rapid change. The decisions our community makes will affect the quality of life in our township for many years to come.

As a Trustee, I will be proactive, not reactive. My goal is to find a balance between encouraging progressive growth while always honoring and conserving our special resources. I want to help our Township progress confidently, with our rural character intact, into a prosperous and sound future.

For more information about my qualifications and positions, please visit my website. www.Blumm2000.com

Paid for by the Committee to elect Paula Blumm 3152 Kissing Rock Rd., Lowell, MI

# **VERGENNES TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the Vergennes Township Board has adopted an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance on July 17, 2000.

### Adopted Ordinance Amendments:

Amend Article II, Section 201.202 Specific Terms Definitions - to remove alphabetical letter for each word definition and place all definitions in alphabetical order and amend all corresponding section number reference pointers and language (Articles III, VI, IV) to reference the definition section of 201.202. This will provide for all current and future definitions to be placed in alphabetical order for an expeditious accurate review. Summary as follows:

### Adopted definition summary:

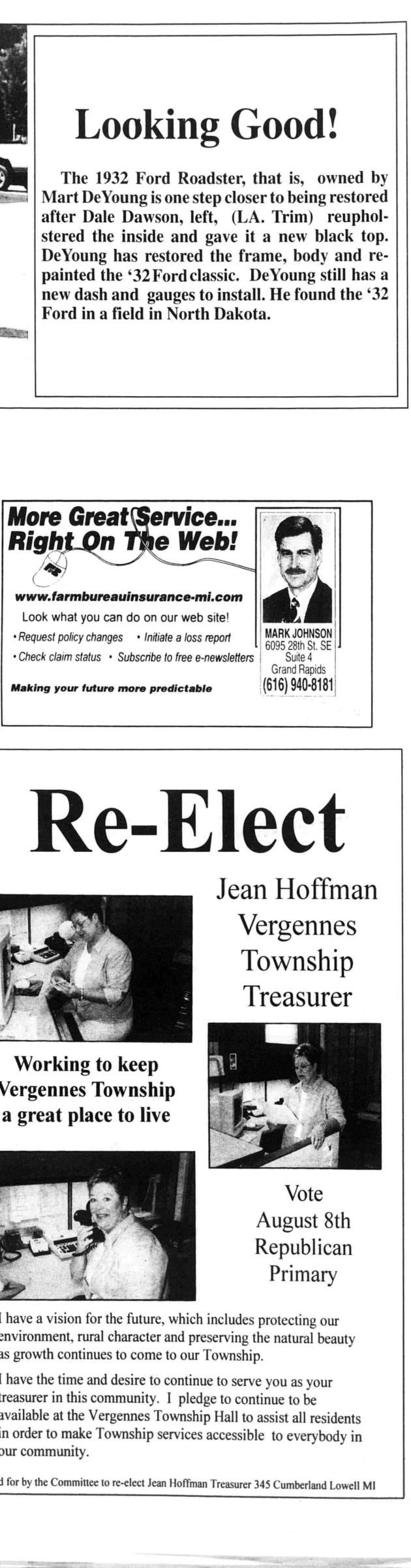
### 201.202 Definitions

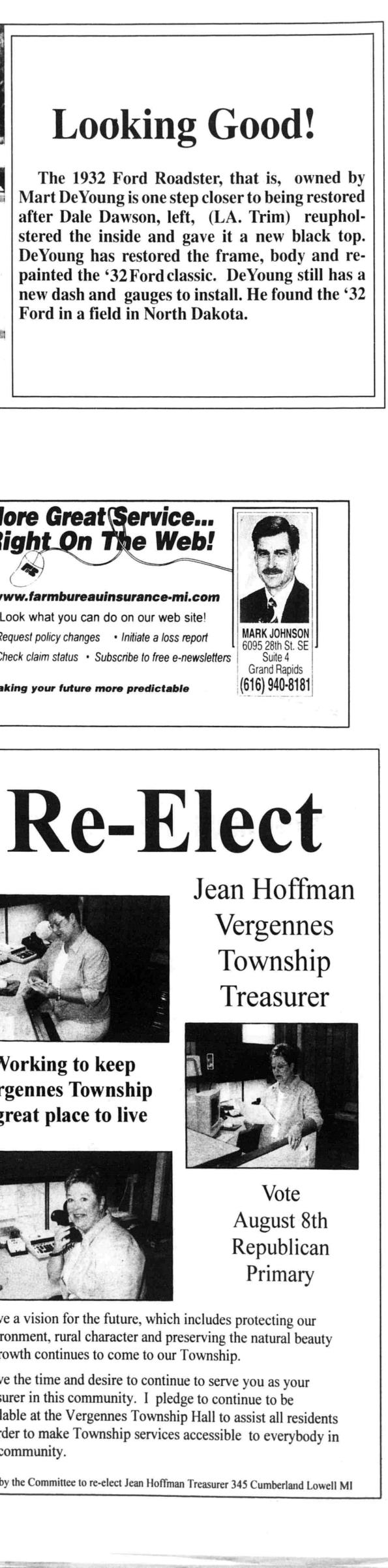
Accessory building: Shall mean a .. Accessory use: A use of... Basement. That portion of ... Bluff: The top of...(And so forth through the entire alphabet)

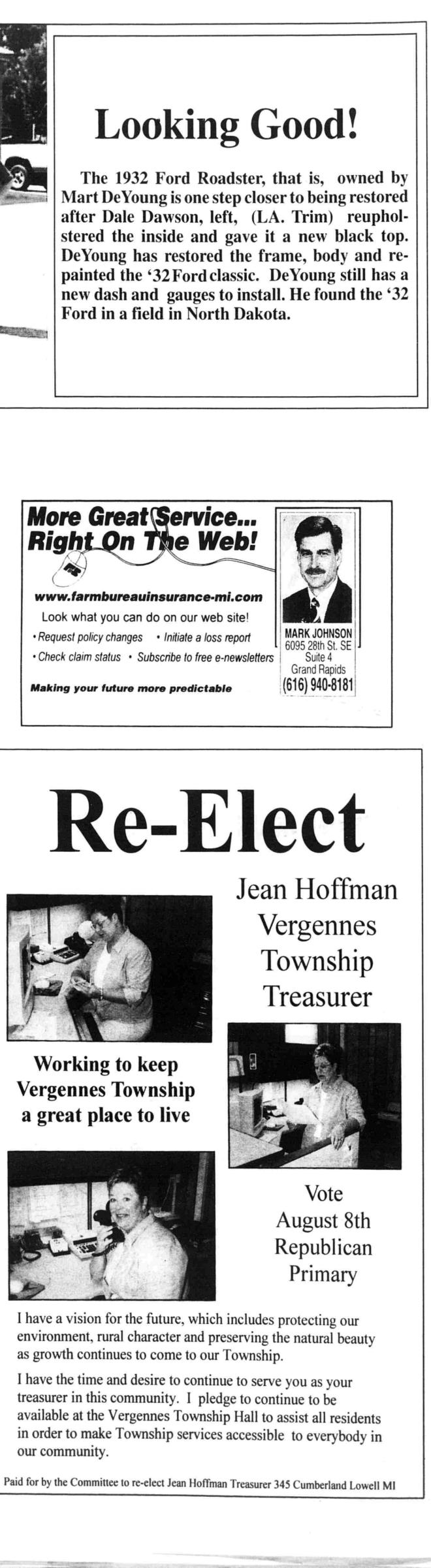
The complete text of Ordinance 2000-3 is on file at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, Lowell, MI 49331 - Phone (616) 897-5651, and is available for public inspection during regular business hours.

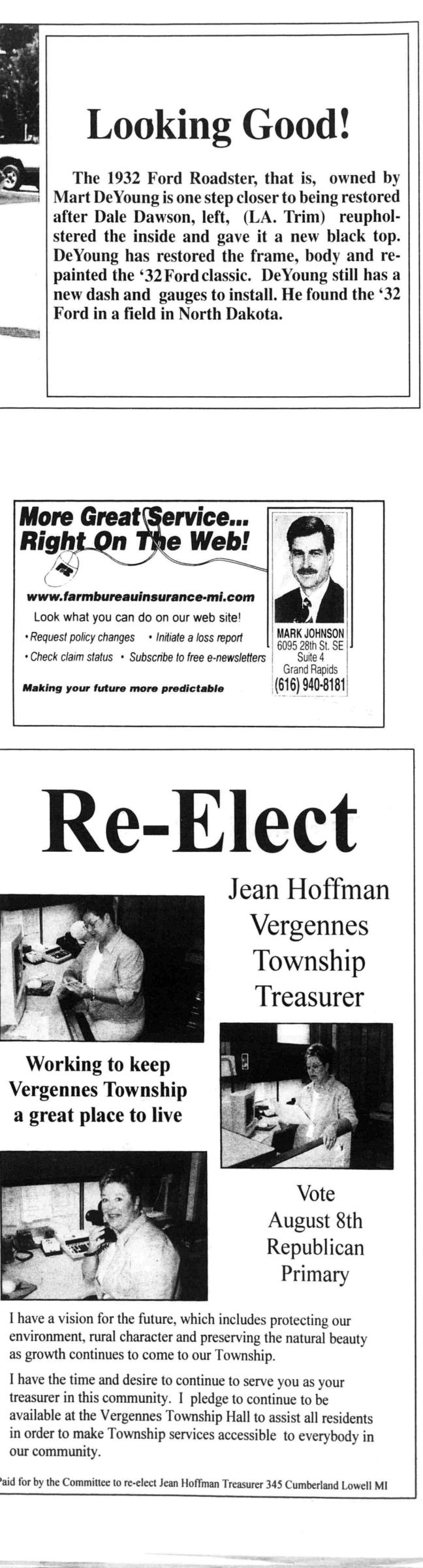
This ordinance shall become effective eight (8) days after publication unless a notice of intent to file referendum is filed within such time and, if so, then this ordinance shall take effect at such time as is provided by MCLA 125.282 as amended.

> Mari C. Stone Vergennes Township Clerk















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SECRETARY - Kentwood. Experienced secretary with rapid and accurate typing skills. Word processing and PC experience required. Excellent pay and benefits. Send Personne resume Office, MEA, P.O. Box 2573, East Lansing, MI 48826-2573. MEA is an ary and benefits package. Position will include 20-25 equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

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> live in manager & wee- 616-527-6097. E.O.E. kend staff needed. Call 292-2837.

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surgery on the INTERNET? If not



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SECURITY OFFICERS NEEDED - in the Lowell/Alto area. Must have clean driving record & be available for all shifts. Previous military or police experience a plus. Starting at \$8.75 an hour & benefits. For more information contact Nationwide Securities, 616-942-8300.

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OPENING FOR PART-TIME PHYSICAL THERAPIST - at busy Physical Therapy Department primarily involved w/outpatient treatment, located in Ionia. Competitive salary a benefits package. Send resume & salary requirements to George Rutherford, Ionia County Memorial Hospital, 479 Lafayette St., Ionia, Mi 48846 or call George at 527-4200 E.O.E.

**HELP WANTED** 

WANTED - Dog sitter on Mail Order \$500 - \$7,000 ESTATE WITH THE TIME PHYSICAL July 31st. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Whites Bridge Rd. starting



ACREAGE LOTS Ranging in size from 3.81 acres to 18 acres. Several wooded lots. W. of Ionia. For further information, please call evenings, 616-367-4900, ask for Phil.

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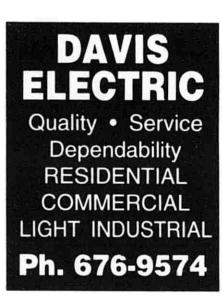
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# **COLLEGE NEWS**

Jeffrey S. Nethercot recently received a two-year associate of arts (AA)\*\*\* (summa cum laude) degree from Northwood University.

Northwood University, located in Midland, MI, is a private accredited university

specializing in managerial and entrepreneurial education offering two- and four-year degrees in a variety of enterprise fields.

Nethercot is the son of Sharon Nethercot of Lowell.

About 3,500 students were among the May graduates at Central Michigan University.

Included from this area is Kerry C. Nugent of Lowell.

McDonough Lisa Rogers, a 1986 graduate of Lowell High School, received her Juris Doctor degree, with pro-bono honors, from Nova Southeastern University,

Shepard Broad Law Center, -located in Ft. Lauderdale, on May 21, 2000.

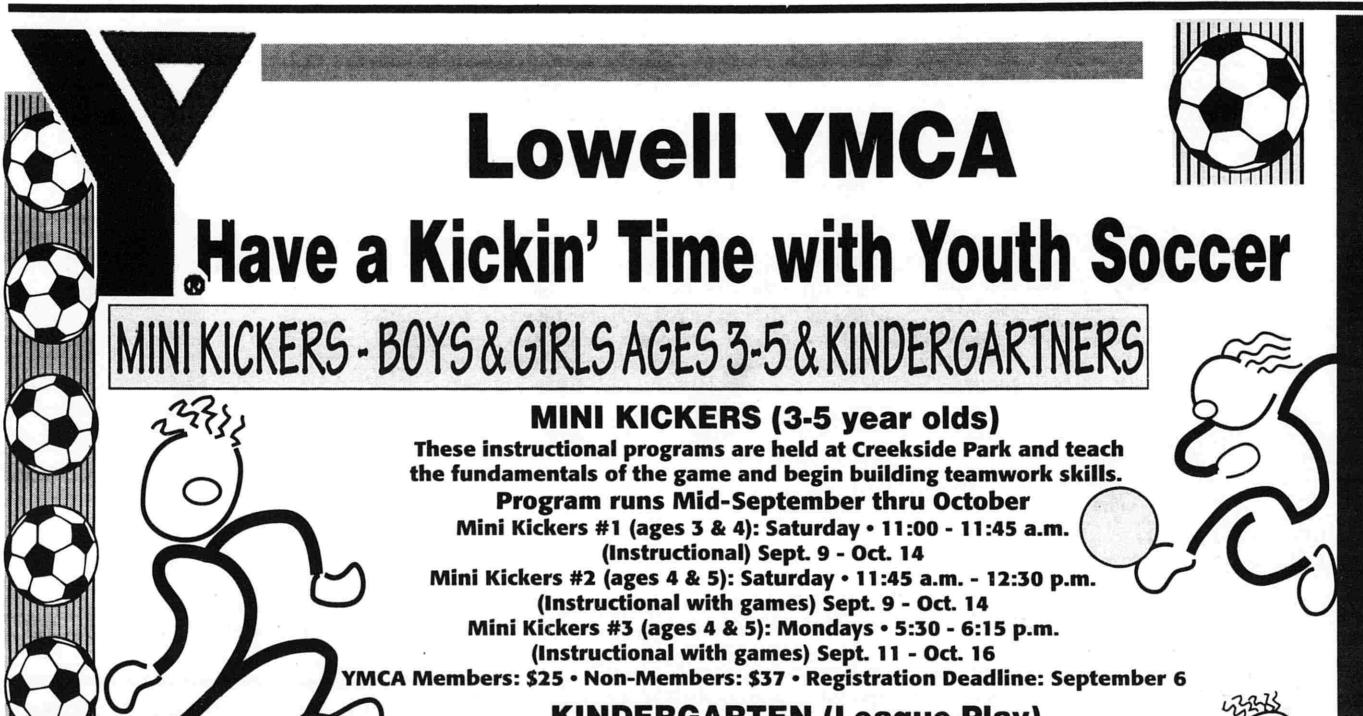
She is currently sitting for the Florida bar and will take the Michigan Bar Exam next year. She plans on opening her own family law firm in Ft. Lauderdale where she is currently living.

Rogers is the daughter of Lorraine and Tom McDonough of Alto, Gloria and Dean Moore of Florida, granddaughter of Ken and Dillie Blough of Florida and the niece of Dennis and Donna Blough of Alto, and and Rose George McDonough of Alto.

Some 6,381 University of Michigan students were rec-

ognized at the university's annual Honors Convocation on March 19.

Included from the Alto area were Erin Rebecca Haddix with Branstrom Prize and Class Honor and Joelle Suzanne Busman with Angell Scholar and Class Honor.



	KINDERGARTEN (League Play)
	Held at Creekside Park. We'll play a total of 6, Saturday games beginning September 9.
	Practice begins in late August. Coaches will notify players of dates and times of first practice.
	YMCA Members: \$26 • Non-Members: \$40 • Registration Deadline: August 14
	YOUTH SOCCER - BOYS & GIRLS GRADES 1-8
	1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> GRADE (League Play) Games will be played at Creekside Park
	3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> GRADE (League Play) Games will be played at Creekside Park
	5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> GRADE (League Play) Deadline Monday,, Aug. 14.
	7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> GRADE BOYS (League Play) 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> GRADE CIRLS (League Play) 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> GRADE CIRLS (League Play) Creekside Park or other area YMCAs and schools.
M	7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> GRADE GIRLS (League Play) <b>OTHER AREA YMCAS and SCHOOIS.</b> Practices start after the Coaches Meeting on Tuesday, August 22. 7th and 8th grade league will be co-ed if not enough players sign up for
	separate teams. Coaches will notify players of dates and times of first practice. Games will start on Saturday, Sept. 9 and end Oct. 21 for grades 1-6. Each team will meet twice a week - once for practice and once
	for a game. Games for 1st-6th grades will all be played on Saturdays, except for make-ups.
	7th-8th graders play on week nights and Saturdays. NOTE: We WILL have away games! 1st - 6th grade fees - YMCA Members: \$29 • Non-Members: \$43 • Registration Deadline: August 14
	7th - 8th grade fees - YMCA Members: \$36 • Non-Members: \$49 • Registration Deadline: August 14
$\Delta$	THERE ARE THREE WAYS TO REGISTER 1. IN PERSON: Stop in the Lowell YMCA Office 323 West Main Street, 49331
S	2. BY MAIL: to the above address. 3. BY PHONE: 897-8445 with VISA, Mastercard, American Express or Discover
	Financial assistance is available for those in need. Deadline for assistance is August 3.
$\mathbf{D}$	COACHES, we need you! YMCA Youth Sports depend on volunteer coaches. Please check the box on the registration form or call the Lowell YMCA to volunteer.
	Coaches Meeting: Tuesday, August 22: Grades K-2, 6:00 p.m. & Grades 3-6, 7:00 p.m. at Cherry Creek Elementary School, YMCA Child Care Room
	* No refunds or credits will be issued after teams are assembled without medical confirmation.
2000 Registration Form Return form to: Lowell YMCA, 323 West Main, Lowell, MI 49331 One child per form. Fee must accompany the form.	
Name	RAM: Dini-Kickers #1 Dini-Kickers #2 Dini-Kickers #3 Kindergartner Dist-2nd Dist-2nd Dist-6th Dist-6th Boys 7th-8th Dist-8th AgeGradePhone (h)(w)(w)BirthdateSex
Addres	ssCityZip YMCA Member? □Yes □ No
T-shirt Size  General 6-8  General 10-12  General 14-16  General AS  General AL  General AXL Seasons Played_School	
	at the Lowell YMCA may use my child's name or pictures of him/her participating in this program without compensation or liability to me or my child.
	/Guardian Signature
I would like to volunteer as:  Coach Assistant Coach Other Coaches Preferred Practice Night Amt. Paid Receipt #	
	sa/AMX/Discover#Exp. DateName (as it appears on the card)

