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## Children's lives enhanced by Lowell's Grandma Knapp

••• The 81-year-old Lowell resident has provided love and comfort to special needs children for the past 17 years.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Very few of the kids Grandma Evelyn works with at Lincoln Developmental Center in Grand Rapids can walk, and fewer can speak.

They all, however, understand the love and comfort she brings to their lives each week.

Evelyn Knapp, of Lowell, is beginning her 17th year in the Kent County Foster Grandparent program. She spends 20 hours a week with special needs children (severely mentally and physically impaired). "I'm there to enhance their lives, to feed them, play with them and rock them," Knapp explains as she opens her album to a picture of her rocking Jamie with Abel (a classmate) sitting on the floor grasping her leg, hoping he, too, can make his way to her lap.

"Any attention at all and these kids respond with tremendous affection," Knapp said.

The Lowell "Grandma" was assigned to the special education school 17 years ago and, "I've enjoyed it so much I've stayed right here," Evelyn says. "I've been here



Above, Evelyn Knapp comforts Jamie (on her lap) and Abel.

longer than most of the teachers and kids."

Burnout is a common occurrence among those who

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**Peggy Lawrence Burns**  
Foster Grandparent Program Director

work with the severely mentally and physically impaired. "Actually I enjoy it more now than I ever have," Knapp said. "The kids help me. I look

forward to doing something to help them."

The 81-year-old volunteer, who retired from

Eberhard's in 1983, works four days a week, five hours a day. She is scheduled to work from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. Knapp, however, be-

gins her commute a little before seven, arriving at Lincoln around 7:15 a.m. She does this in order to avoid Amway traffic.

"Evelyn is a wonderful caring person who is willing to drive each day to help special needs children," says Foster Grandparent program director, Peggy Lawrence Burns.

As a low income volunteer grandparent, Knapp is paid \$2.55 an hour and 28 cents per mile for her 28-mile, round-trip commute. The \$204 a month pays her rent at Schneider Manor.

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## Dedication Ceremony for Wittenbach Agri-Science Center & Wege Natural Area Friday

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The unification of the Wittenbach Agri-Science Center and the Wege Natural Area will become official Friday with a symbolic dedication ceremony.

The facility and natural area will provide students and the entire community with a training and learning center for agriculture and environmental sciences.

The Wege Natural Area for the Study of Ecology is owned and operated by the Land Conservancy of West Michigan. It was made possible through a generous gift from Peter Wege for the purpose of promoting the study and love of the environment. The natural area contains 60 pristine acres with groomed trails and a wide variety of ecological environments.

Reg, Steve and Judy Cridler's desire to see the 60 acres of property on Vergennes Road kept as a nature area gave birth to the Wege Natural Area. From there, the Wege Foundation agreed to purchase the land for \$360,000 and deed it over to the Land Conservancy of West Michigan which will own and manage the nature center.

The Wittenbach Agri-Science Center (Vergennes Rd., on

80 acres of school property) will consist of classrooms, livestock areas, and related activity areas. The construction of this facility was made possible through a generous gift donation of \$200,000 from June Wittenbach and her late husband Everett, longtime residents of Lowell.

In 1992, it was the Wittenbachs who stepped forward and volunteered to sell 180 acres of their land for the development of the new state-of-the-art Lowell High School.

The center will provide opportunities through a K-12 curriculum and a plethora of educational partnerships for students, teachers and the community.

Tammy DeBaar, the school district's director for the Wittenbach Agri-Science Center, has forged partnerships with Eastern Mountain Sports on outdoor recreation and education; an ag program with Michigan State (Project Fish) and Grand Valley State (Project Wild); Franciscan Process Life Center and the Frederick Meijer Garden, to name a few.

The official dedication ceremony will take place from 5:30 to 6 p.m. on Friday. Other activities scheduled between 4 and 7 p.m. on Sept. 8 include a scavenger hunt for families, a pig roast fundraiser, and tours of the nature preserve and agri-science center.

## Lowell Community reflects on Quada's public service

His level of care and commitment toward the community of Lowell made Ray Quada a unique and respected public official.

Quada led and guided with vision and a helping hands-on approach. That was visible by those who worked alongside him in education, city government, Showboat, Lowell Area Arts Council and any number of other community endeavors.

Some of those fortunate enough to work with Quada reflected on the time well spent:

### Education....

*I didn't know Ray that closely, however I did serve one year on the school board with him. He was instrumental in the building of the new high school and renovation of school buildings; and the formation of the Lowell Area Schools Education Foundation. Ray was a natural leader who could relate to any group of people. He wanted to make a difference and displayed a will to do that.*

### Marsha Wilcox

Former Board of Education President

*Since my arrival in Lowell six years ago, Ray played a critical role in education foundation efforts, youth development and most recently the Wittenbach Agri-Science Center & Wege Natural Area. He had a passion and desire to help this community. He was a visionary who combined great organizational skills, great people skills, ability to work with nonprofit organizations and not ruffle many feathers, and he was just a wonderful human being. Ray was a successful guy with a common touch. His hat size never changed. He was also late for meetings and forgot appointments... I don't want people to think he was perfect.*

### Bert Bleke

Lowell Superintendent

### Lowell Fire/Rescue

*Shortly after Ray was brought in as city manager, he played an important role in getting the city's emergency medical technicians trained. He not only set it up, but took part in the training. He then made himself available for medical and accident runs. That's the way Ray was... he didn't want to just watch, Ray wanted to help (e.g., plowed city streets, helped out at the lift station). It was also under his watch as city manager that the city purchased its first ambulance. Ray and this community were a perfect fit.*

### Frank Martin

Lowell Fire Chief

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# OBITUARIES

**PHILLIPS** - Ella Mae Phillips, aged 89, of Lowell, passed away September 2, 2000. She was preceded in death by her husband, Lewis Phillips. She is survived by her children, Don L. (Wilma) Phillips, Rex G. (Lucille)

Phillips, Gail (Howard) Acheson all of Lowell. Harriet Smith of Grand Rapids; 13 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren; also several nieces and nephews. The funeral service was held Tuesday at Roth-Gerst Chapel, Rev. Vance M. Dimmick Jr. of First United Methodist Church of Lowell officiating. Interment Bailey Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

**MALONEY** - Roman Maloney, aged 88, of Lowell, passed away Sunday, September 3, 2000. He was preceded in death by his brothers and sisters, Margaret Carrier, Doris Gailbarth, Edward Maloney and Earl Maloney. He will be remembered by his wife of 57 years, Rosella; a sister Edith Tracy; sisters-in-law, Lucille (George) Roth, Catherine (John) Geiger, Marie Stauffer, Irene (Harry) Vaughn, and Joyce (Rex) Crout; and many nieces

and nephews. Mr. Maloney worked as a correctional officer for 35 years at the Michigan Correctional Reformatory, Ionia. He was a life member of American Legion, Post 152, the VFW Post 8303, and of the 80th division of the Blue Ridge Infantry division, Military Police Platoon which was awarded the Meritorious Service Plaque for "superior performance of duty, achievement and maintenance of a high standard discipline," during the 80th divisions cam-

paigns in France, Luxembourg, Germany and Austria from August 1944 to V-E day. The Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated Thursday 11 a.m. from St. Mary Catholic Church, Lowell, with the Rev. George Fekete, Celebrant. Interment St. Mary's Cemetery, Visitation Wednesday (today) 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. with a scripture service at 7 p.m. Wednesday. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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## Trash company may be pitched if pickup service isn't improved

After many complaints, the city is keeping its eye on garbage disposal company

By J. N. Boorsma  
Contributing Writer

The city of Lowell certainly isn't smelling like day-old trash, but the lack of consistent garbage removal service has some residents up in arms.

city council meeting, resident and planning commissioner Clarke Jahnke added his name to the list of dissatisfied customers with Pitsch, which

took over the city's rubbish removal services last October. During public comment,

Jahnke asked what the city was doing about the problem of trash being left out for several days before being picked up.

"I like Clarke, do not like my recyclables sitting out for two days," said Mayor Mike Blough, adding that for those visiting the city, it doesn't make Lowell look attractive. City Manager David Pasquale said the city has received a number of phone calls complaining about the service. At the request of the

council, Pasquale said he would total the calls and bring a full report before the council at its Tuesday, Sept. 5, meeting.

Pasquale said city staff did sit down with Dan Pitsch, head of the operation, who seemed to be very surprised about what was taking place. In fairness, Pasquale admitted, it does take time to learn the lay of the land.

"They have to get used to the community," Pasquale said, adding that he felt things had improved during the past month.

Blough said he felt the problem was severe enough that the council needed to take a look at it. "Either we get results or we get a different contract," Blough said.

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**Mike Blough**  
Lowell Mayor

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**James Valentine**  
Chief of Police

## Ridgeview Street may become reality as condominium project takes shape

By J.N. Boorsma  
Contributing Writer

For the longest time the question has been, "When will the city ever construct Ridgeview Street?" (which adds another connector route to Gee Drive.)

The answer may be soon. A developer, Steve Hanson, has presented plans to the Lowell Planning Commission for a condominium project south of Gee Drive and west of Sibley behind Family Fare. With a public hearing by the planning commission set for Sept. 25, the project would include 54 townhouse units.

"It would make sense for the city to go ahead and piggy-back on this project since I will have to connect water and

sewer to the south end of the development from Gee Drive," Hanson said.

City Manager David Pasquale said it is something the city is seriously considering, depending on how the project proceeds. By developing the road at the same time Hanson is putting in sewer, the city could save quite a bit of money in construction costs, which has been the biggest factor in the construction of Ridgeview Street.

First, however, Hanson must get a special use permit from the city to start the project. Because the property is located in the R-2 residential district, a special use permit is required for multi-family housing.

Hanson also has to get approval from the Department of

Environmental Quality, which stopped an earlier project from being developed on the same land when a former developer was trying to fill in the wetlands.

Hanson said he feels his project actually compliments the area and has made an effort to work with the wetlands in developing the area.

"All the units will have a nice view of the wetlands except those near Family Fare," Hanson said, adding he hopes to put up a berm near Family Fare to help buffer the area.

## Sixth annual Toy Run rides into Lowell on Sunday

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The sixth annual Toy Run will ride again on Sunday, Sept. 10.

The ride begins at Riverside Park (Grand Rapids) at noon and 700-800 bikers are expected to parade through downtown en route to the Kent County Youth Fairgrounds in Lowell.

All participating bikers are asked to bring an unwrapped toy or gift for a child (age 0-17).

The toys will then be wrapped and distributed to children at six area hospitals and crisis centers by Dave Stevens and his wife Sherrie and three other Santas.

Stevens lost their three-year-old son Tony to cancer weeks before Christmas in 1990.

Local nonprofit organizations will provide food and pop. There will be a ride-in bike show with People's Choice awards in the categories of stock, custom, classic, vintage and street class. There will also be bike games for the riders to participate in upon arrival at the fairgrounds.

Again this year Lowell Police Department investigator/detective James Hinton will join in the Toy Run on the LPD's 1999 Harley Davidson Road King.

Music will be provided by Mirrow Image.

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# BOOK REVIEW

By Joan Wittenbach

A phone call from a young mother asking for some ideas on some books that might be of help to her as she teaches her home-schooled boys, was a special time for me. Happily, I had just picked up three interesting books from the library the week before and I shared them with her. From each of the books, I

read the fly leaf on the inside front cover to her. Each book is about a boy and his relationship with a significant male mentor in his life.

**The Blue Spruce** by Mario Cuomo (the former governor of New York) is a book about his father's dream of having a house with a yard and a tree to call his own. As a family, they lived in a small apartment behind the family store, but in this story there is a dream fulfilled and an adventure to be lived. The father's heart, spoken to his son about having a dream, was short and sweet and true. "You work and you wait. You never give up." The artwork by Gijbhart van Frankenhuyzen is bold and fits the story perfectly.

**Morning on the Lake** by Jan Bourdeau Waboose is a quiet story and yet its strength in relationships of grandson to grandfather and to nature reminds me of the proverb, "A cord of three strands is not easily broken."

There are three stories in one book. The first one, *Morning*, is the story of how the Loon performs a dance to tell them that the lake is his home. The second story, *Noon*, is of the patient waiting of the duo until an eagle makes its entry. There is depth here that words only introduce us to. Something happens to the heart in the waiting, in the awe of the eagle, and the gift of a feather left behind. But it is the identity between the two, their

Indian identity, their understanding of nature and their love for each other that threads itself through not only the first two stories, but the third as well. *The Night*, the third story, is a wonderful conclusion to the adventure of these two special risk takers. Darkness is always a bit unnerving, to young and old as well, but not until the yellow eyes of a pack of wolves staring at them did I think of fear. They weren't afraid... well, the child and I were. Grandfather's instructions were most assuring, and when obeyed, there was safety. The picture on the last page was a sleepy delight. The artwork is by Karen Reczcuk and described as "eloquent in its loving and respectful rendering of the characters, animals and landscapes."

**Marven of the Great North Woods** by Kathryn Lasky is a National Jewish Book Awards winner. It is a true story about the friendship of a 10-year-old boy who is taken to a logging camp in the great north woods, to escape the ravages of a flu epidemic in 1918. He goes not knowing if he'll ever see his family again. At the camp he becomes the bookkeeper because he is good with numbers. Marven meets the biggest man - a logger, by the name of Jean Louis. I mean he is BIG and scary. This is a heart-warming story of fear, acceptance and love. The last page, a favorite of mine, is a small biography of Marven Lasky. He is now 93 years old.

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## Sharing The Vision

PETER L. GUSTAFSON  
Lowell Board of Education President



No, we cannot restore Ray Quada to this life. But we can honor Ray and his memory, by living our own lives more fully, by thinking about others, by recognizing the virtue in public service, and by considering how our actions and decisions can positively affect the life of our community and its citizens. Ray did these things every day.

None of us in Lowell can replace Ray Quada. The sad truth

is that all of us probably cannot replace Ray. But the last thing he would want is for the community progress and pride he engendered to be stalled by his untimely passing. As a member of the Board of Education, I know well the extraordinary impact Ray has had on public education in our district. His leadership in bringing us the new high school during the 1990s, his leadership on the school board, and his important role in the Education Foundation are but tangible examples of his deep personal commitment to improving the educational opportunities and lives of all of our young people.

The Rev. Martin Luther King urged us to judge people by the content of their character. We know that Ray's character is exemplary, but how can we capture that elusive but vital idea in words? One good way can be drawn from the Lowell Community Values that Ray helped to develop and promote - RICHR: Responsibility, Integrity, Compassion, Honesty and Respect. That is the way Ray Quada lived his life. We are all RICHR because of him.

# MacNaughton headlines entertainment at Fallasburg

The 32nd annual Fallasburg Fall Festival, sponsored by the Lowell Area Arts Council, will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, September 23 and 24 at Fallasburg Park, four miles north of Lowell off Lincoln Lake Rd.

A group of 80 artists have been chosen to sell their work in a juried art show. Booths will display jewelry, pottery, glass, leather, fiber work, wood, painting and photography, as well as handmade shoes, baskets, beeswax candles, brooms, soap, toys and dried herbs and flowers. Demonstrations include rug-hooking, origami, quilting, basketry, woodcarving, caning, rustic wood furniture, leather work, spinning and weaving.

Food booths offer meals, desserts, and snacks to suit a wide range of tastes. Musical entertainment on the outdoor stage continues throughout the festival. Entertainers include the Lowell Music String Ensemble, Roger MacNaughton, That String Thing, Monique Dolittle, Prairie Road, October Street, Beats Settin' Home, Greg & Kathy Proulx, and the Hill People.

On Saturday, Fancy Nancy the Clown will entertain children with juggling acts and lawn games. On Sunday, the Grand Rapids Children's Museum will provide four hands-on

and interactive displays. Both days will include pumpkin painting, face painting and other arts and crafts. In addition, the Lowell Fire Department will once again have the Smoke House trailer for children to learn about fire safety. Children will also receive a free balloon upon completion of the activities.

The Fallasburg Village Post Office will be reinstated by the U.S. Post Office and offer postal services, featuring a cachet and cancellation designed by Alto artist, Ann Breckon exclusively for this one weekend. The LAAC annual Quilt Raffle features a quilt with a millennium theme, designed and created by Karla Mitchell & Shellie Benson. The quilt will be raffled along with over 70 other artworks provided by exhibiting artists.

There is no admission price to the festival and supervised parking is available for a \$1 donation. For the safety of all, no pets are allowed at the festival.

The Fallasburg Fall Festival develops the potential of an extraordinary historical setting: spanning the Flat River between the park and historic Fallasburg Village is the 125-year-old covered bridge, one of the few in Michigan still open to traffic. This unique Festival offers the ambiance of fall

with decorations of dried flowers, corn husks, hay bales, and pumpkins. Exhibiting artist, Russ Henckel considers this one of the best festivals in Michigan. "The spirit here is so great. This is the most fun show of all."

The Fallasburg Historic Village & Schoolhouse Museum is open through the weekend and will feature a Civil War reenactment by the 3rd Michigan Volunteer Infantry, Company F, and antique displays.

For more information call Lorain Smalligan, executive director of the Lowell Area Arts Council at 897-8545.

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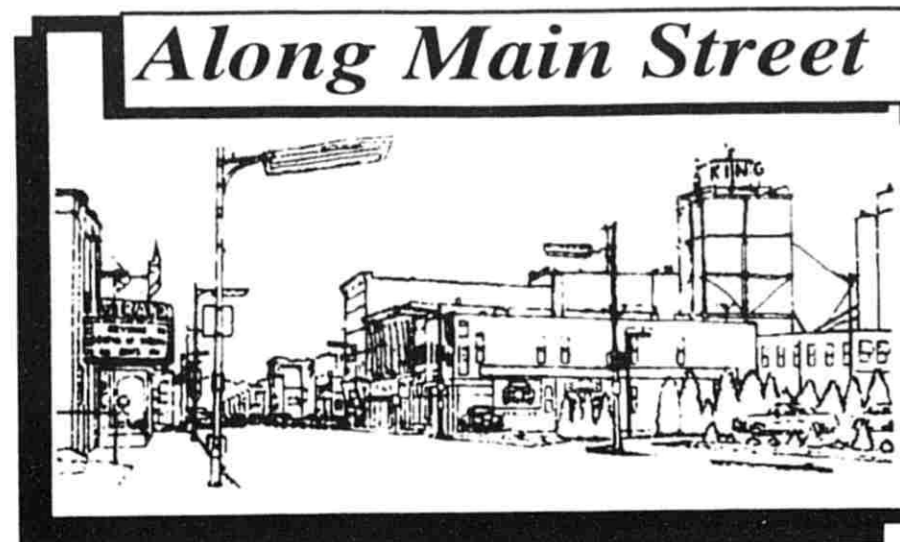
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**LMS PARENT ORIENTATION NIGHT**

The Lowell Middle School will be hosting Parent Orientation Night this Thursday, Sept. 7 from 7 - 8:30 p. m. in the middle school gymnasium. Please plan to spend this evening with us so we can introduce you to your child's teachers and explain all that our school has to offer your student. This informative program will be a great way for the school and the parents to begin their partnership in the education of our young people.

**SEPTEMBER WORKSHOPS WITH EUNICE BOLT**

The Franciscan Life Process Center in Lowell offers two

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The Foster Grandparent program has been around nationally for 35 years and in Kent County for 22. Grandparents currently help out in 35 Grand Rapids schools as well as in Cedar Springs and Sparta. The pro-

gram is not yet in the Lowell School District.

"With the help of Kathy Cole (Lowell's director for Tots on Track for School), we've begun recruiting volunteer grandparents," Burns said.

Roughly 20 volunteers will be needed to take the program into all eight schools.

Who can become a senior companion? Any person 60 years of age and older who lives in Kent County and meets income guidelines set by the program.

Senior companions receive:

- an hourly stipend for 20 hours of volunteer service per week
- orientation and training
- socialization and skill development at monthly in-service training meetings
- a meal during their service schedule
- insurance coverage during hours of service which

includes accident, personal liability and excess automobile liability

- transportation assistance from their volunteer site
- annual physical examination
- recognition at an annual evening honoring companions for their community service.

The Senior Companion program is a special opportunity for low-income older adults of Kent County to assist others who have special needs.

Senior companions provide comfort, encouragement, social interaction and support. Interested persons may contact Burns for more information at (616) 771-9748.

**DECORATIONS NEEDED FOR FALLASBURG FALL FESTIVAL**

The annual Fallasburg Fall Festival, sponsored by Lowell Area Arts Council, is Sept. 23 and 24. Cut flowers such as marigolds, sun flowers and cone flowers are needed for table decorations. Also plumes, corn stalks, pumpkins and gourds are needed by the stage and pavilion entrance. Please call Carol Briggs at 897-5501 by Sept. 9 if you can donate.

**CUB SCOUT SIGN UP**

Lowell Area Cub Scouts are now signing families up for the 2000-2001 school year. There are three programs for 1st thru 5th graders. Registration is \$15 for an 18-month program. A short meeting at the National School Night for Scouting kickoff will be held at the Lowell Middle School on Tues., Sept. 12 at 6:30 p.m. For more information call 897-8751 or email pack3188@yahoo.com.

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**City Government...**

*Ray was a good diplomat and negotiator. I'll always remember when he was the city manager and Lowell's waste water treatment plant was found in violation by both the EPA and DNR. We were worried that the city would lose a large chunk of its \$3.2 million grant from the federal government. Ray went and negotiated a \$25,000 settlement. We took that out of the \$3.2 million and completed the waste water treatment plant work. It was always better to have Ray on your side than against you.*

**Charlie Doyle**

*Ray was an exceptional person whose accomplishments will be remembered for a long time. I do not believe there is a nonprofit organization in this city that has not benefitted from Ray's efforts. He set the benchmark for public service, something that we should all shoot for.*

**Dan Brubaker**

Planning Commission Chairman

Ray was very knowledgeable about city government. He gave government freely of his knowledge and opinions as well as of his time. Ray would meet and talk over the phone on any issue that came up. He had a good-sense knowledge about the city's history. He was always very very respectful of my position. He worked hard to find a means to solve issues and wasn't afraid to tackle any issue. He was very helpful to me.

**Dave Pasquale**  
City Manager

**Showboat...**

*He had an infectious personality that generally left people with the impression they were pretty damn special. I am proud of the fact that I was on the council when we made room for Ray to become our city manager. The year I left for California, I stepped down as Showboat president and asked Ray if he would serve as president - he did. I knew he would put forth every effort possible to see that Showboat succeeded. This community will miss his presence immensely. His personal friends will miss Ray even more.*

**Jim Hall**

Planning Commission/Showboat

**The Arts...**

*I consider Ray to be one of the unique individuals to live in Lowell. I believe he was the next generation of city fathers, following messieurs Gumser, Foreman and Borgerson. He was one of the major leaders in this community. He always got behind things which were for the good of the community. He is the reason there is an arts council in Lowell. In 1976, Ray and Kathie brought the Art Train to Lowell. In 1977 an arts council was formed. After Ray started at Wendy's, he started the Youth Art monthly project. He understood and promoted the value of arts to other businessmen. If a student could think creatively, they'd make better workers.*

**Chris VanAntwerp**  
Lowell Area Arts Council

**Friend...**

*What he did for this community reads like a who's who. The Lowell community is appreciative of that. He was a great person and a good friend. It's a tragedy to lose him at the age of 56. Ray was also good for laughs. We used to meet Jerry Patton for coffee at Sneaker's and flip to see who bought the coffee. Ray and I set it up so that we always had heads. Jerry bought coffee for two weeks before he realized he'd been had.*

**Mike Tummino**

workshops with Eunice Bolt: Intermediate/Advanced Watercolor Techniques on Sept. 8 & 9; and Exploring Abstraction (any medium) on Sept. 14-16. Enrollment is limited. Call John Knight at 987-7842 for details.

**ORCHESTRA CLASS BEING OFFERED**

Attention all high school students and interested musicians! An orchestra class will be offered Tuesdays and Thursdays during seminar class (1:49 - 2:34 p.m.) during the school year. Call Lowell Community Ed. at 897-8235.

**LOWELL ROTARY BLOOD DRIVE**

The Lowell Rotary Club is sponsoring a blood drive for the Grand Valley Blood program on Wed., Sept. 27 from 3-7 p.m. at the Look Memorial Fire Station, 315 S. Hudson.

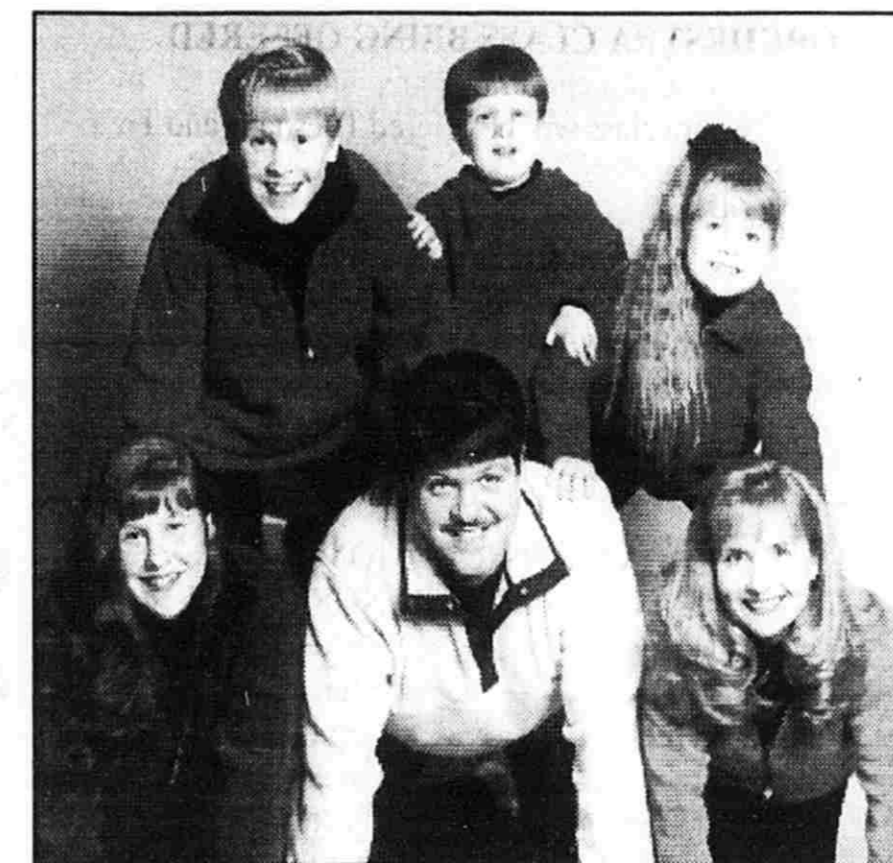
**DEDICATION CEREMONY OF WITTENBACH AGRI-SCIENCE CENTER**

The community is invited to the dedication of the Wittenbach Agri-Science and Wege Natural Area on Friday, Sept. 8. These facilities will provide students and the community training and learning experiences in agriculture and the environmental sciences. Festivities will take place between 4 and 7 p.m. which include scavenger hunts, pig roast fundraiser, tours and dedication ceremony at 5:30 p.m.

**Christian Life Center hosts Jackson family gospel concert**

The Jackson family will be appearing in a Gospel concert at Christian Life Center, Sunday, September 10, at the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. morning services.

The family of talented performers brings new meaning to the concepts of togetherness and musical excellence. Their four children join Bruce and Brenda in classical vocal harmony and instrumental music. The children,



The Jacksons

**Lowell's Schut advances to state discussion meet**

John Schut of Lowell advanced to the Michigan Farm Bureau (MFB) state Discussion Meet competition after competing in the District Four Discussion Meet, Aug. 24 at the Holiday Inn in Grand Rapids. The topic of the evening was "What is the future of biotechnology in agriculture?" Schut will travel to Traverse City Dec. 5-8 for the MFB Annual Meeting and compete against more than 35 young farmers across the state.

The discussion meet, held annually in each of Farm Bureau's 11 districts, is broken up into three sections.

Each participant delivers a 30-second opening statement of their views on the topic and what they hope to achieve through the discussion. Once all participants have given their opening statement, a 20-minute discussion is held, reviewing the issue and drawing out solutions to the problem. The participants then give a one-minute closing statement on what they feel the appropriate actions should be.

According to Matt Smego, manager of the Young Farmer Department at Michigan Farm Bureau, the discussion meet serves a dual-purpose for Farm Bureau members. "Discussion meets help educate members about current agricultural issues and views while at the same time developing leadership skills that they can use in the future," Smego said.

who range in age from 16 down to four, have delighted audiences around the world with energetic musical styles, which lift up traditional family values. Most recently, the Jacksons have returned from the Orient, where their concerts in the Philippines drew capacity crowds.

The Jacksons have strong musical roots, drawing from generations of talented instrumentalists and vocalists. Music was part of their homes, as well as a tool for use in the church. Brenda was one of five Scandinavian children; all played stringed instruments and sang. In early years,

church. Bruce and Brenda have been mixing family and music all of their lives. Their perspective breathes new life into today's troubled homes.

The Jackson family will be presenting a concert, which features both original and familiar songs. Original compositions have become a hallmark with the Jacksons, who have a passion for addressing current issues and family relationships. Their songs deal with such issues as the marriage relationship, parenting skills, forgiveness and restoration. Foundational to all the subject matter in their music, they stress the need for a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and the truth of the Bible.

The Jacksons have traveled extensively across the United States, appearing on

local and national television in addition to their concerts in churches and civic clubs. They have appeared with Dr. James Dobson, of Focus on the Family, and their music is featured on the Ezzo parenting series called, "Growing Kids God's Way." Selections from the Jackson family's recordings can also be heard on radio throughout the U.S.

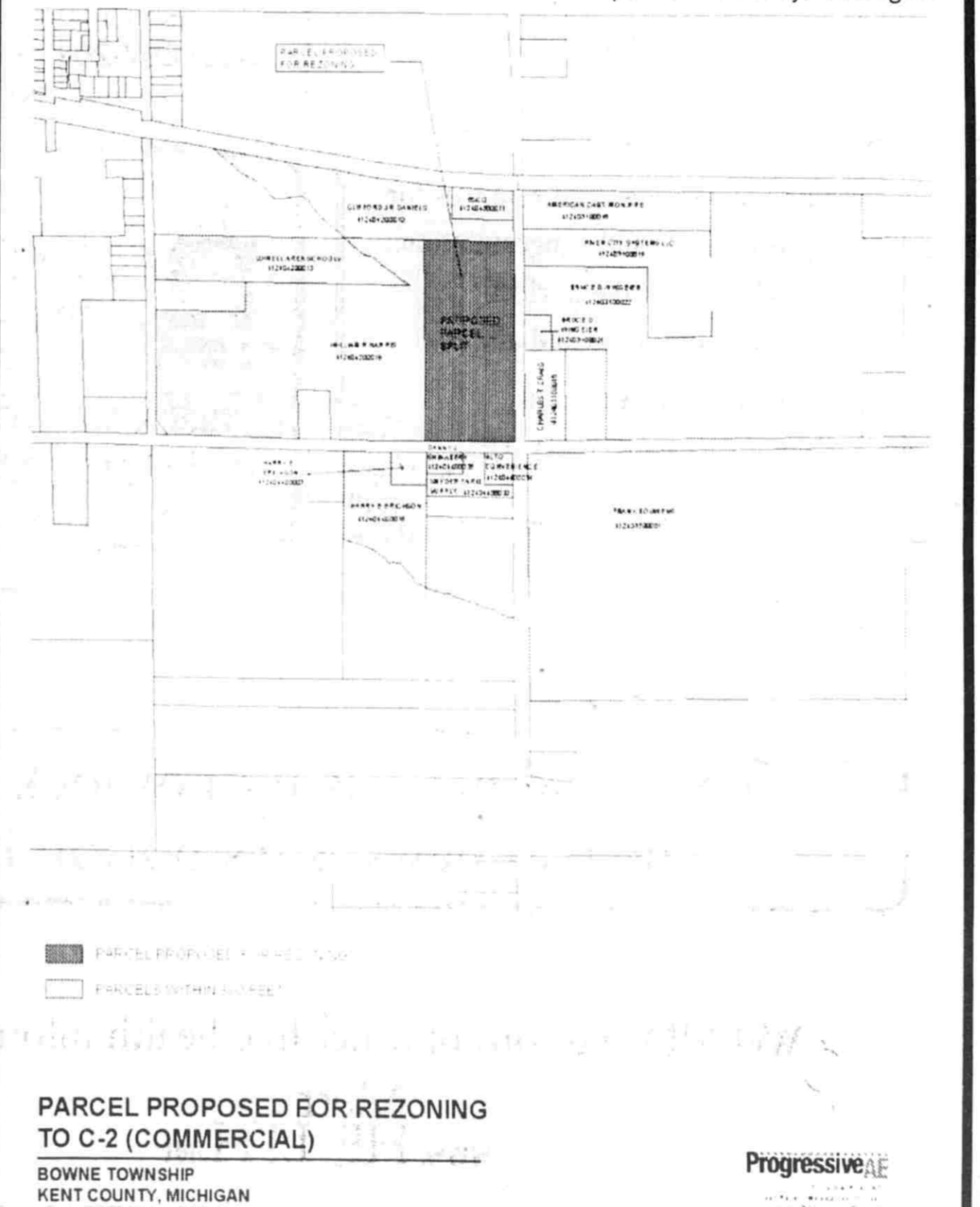
Come and bring a friend or loved one to this exciting, live concert performance, which will surely be a time of encouragement and musical enjoyment! A free-will offering will be received. Your friends at Christian Life Center extend a warm invitation to the public to attend. Christian Life Center is located two miles south of Lowell on Alden Nash.

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE BOWNE TOWNSHIP ZONING MAP AMENDMENT**

Notice is hereby given that the Bowne Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on September 14, 2000 at 7:30 p.m., in the Historic Township Hall, located at 8260 Alden Nash Avenue (M-50), Alto, Michigan, to hear citizens' comments regarding a proposed zoning district change from U-R to C-2 for that parcel commonly known as 11635 - 64th Street, Alto, Michigan, part of Permanent Parcel Number 04-200-019.

The proposed zoning district change may be inspected at the Township offices Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Sandra Kowalczyk, Clerk  
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# CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
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OF THE  
CITY OF LOWELL

For the Regular Meeting of **MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2000.**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Blough and the Clerk called Roll.  
Present: Councilmembers Green, Myers, Shores and Mayor Blough.  
Absent: Councilmember Quada.

Also Present: City Manager David Pasquale, City Clerk Betty Morlock, Police Chief James Valentine, Public Works Director Daniel DesJarden, Lowell Light and Power/Cable TV employee Ron VanOverbeek and Lowell Planning Commissioners James Hall and Clark Jahnke.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by GREEN to excuse the absence of Councilmember Quada.  
YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2000 regular meeting as written.  
YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by MYERS to approve the closed session minutes of the August 7, 2000 meeting as written.  
YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by GREEN that the bills and accounts payable be allowed and the warrants issued.  
YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (08/21/00)**

GENERAL FUND	\$95,073.07
MAJOR STREET FUND	501.99
LOCAL STREET FUND	1,606.99
AIRPORT FUND	74.96
WASTEWATER FUND	26,292.67
WATER FUND	3,911.92
DATA PROCESSING FUND	128.78
EQUIPMENT FUND	3,331.92
CURRENT TAX FUND	175,583.51

**Item #1. RESPONSE FROM THE LOWELL AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REGARDING USAGE OF LIBRARY BATHROOMS DURING THE RIVERWALK FESTIVAL.** Item tabled until Executive Director of the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce Liz Baker was present at the meeting.

**Item #2. YMCA - SITE RECOMMENDATIONS.** Will Welsh, Executive Director of the Lowell YMCA, was present to discuss the Y Community Survey, which will be conducted by the Winfield Consulting Group. The survey will determine whether the community would support a full service YMCA. A question of location needs to be reviewed and analyzed.

At its July 24th meeting, the Planning Commission recommended such a facility be located within the City with the Showboat Amphitheater and Stoney Lakeside Park as prime options. The Parks and Recreation Commission discussed this at their August 19th meeting and recommended Stoney Lakeside Park. Councilmember Green, who also is a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission, explained the Commissioners did not feel it was within their authority to recommend property not owned by the City of Lowell. Planning Commissioner Jim Hall, who supported the amphitheater site, hated to see the loss of a site and what this facility could do for the downtown area. He believed the amphitheater has seen its best days but believes it still has much potential.

Councilmember Myers questioned the need for a specific location. Welsh explained a better response from

those surveyed would be received with a specific location.

Welsh noted the survey would not rule out any potential sites. But, if the Council felt uneasy about naming a specific site, language such as including a mile radius from a specific intersection would be appropriate.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to recommend a mile radius of the intersection of Hudson and Main Streets be used as a location in the Winfield Survey assessing the potential for a new full-facility Lowell YMCA.  
YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item #1. RESPONSE FROM THE LOWELL AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REGARDING USAGE OF LIBRARY BATHROOMS DURING THE RIVERWALK FESTIVAL - TABLED FROM BEGINNING OF COUNCIL MEETING.** At the direction of the Council during the August 7, 2000 meeting, Liz Baker, Executive Director of the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce, submitted a letter stating the Chamber's position regarding the usage of the library bathrooms for the Riverwalk Festival on Saturday, September 2nd. Baker stated the Chamber planned to request that the public facility remain open this year, but with all the other projects which took place, it fell to the wayside. The Chamber had planned on staffing the area to help assure no misuse of the bathrooms.

Baker did speak with Claudia Mulder, Director of the Kent District Library, who did not have a problem with the library being opened. However, the Chamber decided to proceed with renting portable toilets for this year's event and use their facility for the handicapped. She noted next year, the Chamber will seek to utilize the library bathrooms.  
Councilmember Myers was not willing to support the closing of the library on a day when so many of the community will be in the area.

Councilmember Shores was concerned if policing the bathrooms would prevent the problems that have happened in the past, such as overflowing because of the large number of persons using the facility.

Baker said it is a positive way of policing things, adding by having a presence would reduce any unwanted activities, such as vandalism. Planning Commissioner Hall stated there are no guarantees a streetlight won't go out or a window won't be broken. If you submit to vandalism, you lose it.

After discussing the issue, Mayor Blough called for the vote on the motion on the table from the August 7th Council meeting as follows:

IT WAS MOVED BY QUADA and seconded by MYERS to rescind the previous action of Council made on July 17th and open the library bathrooms during the Riverwalk.  
YEA: 0.  
NAY: 4.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION DENIED.

**Item #3. AMENDMENTS TO THE DOWNTOWN DISTRICT AND THE DEVELOPMENT AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLANS FOR THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY - SET PUBLIC HEARING (9/18).** At its August 17, 2000 meeting, the Downtown Development Authority approved a resolution expanding the boundaries of the DDA district to include the entire City Hall-Police Station project site as well as Recreation Park (for future projects). The Development and Financing Plan was also proposed to be amended by the DDA to include the extension of the Riverwalk to King Street, extension of street lighting for South Hudson and assistance toward the renovation and construction of the City Hall - Police Station project, including construction and reconstruction of three downtown parking lots.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by SHORES to establish a public hearing to consider the amendments to the Downtown District and Development and Tax increment financing plans for the Downtown Development Authority at the September 18, 2000 City Council meeting.  
YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item #4. PURCHASE OF SIGNS FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING/FIRE STATION AND STONEY LAKESIDE PARK.** In an effort to improve the appearance and visibility of the two facilities, a new ground sign has been budgeted for the Public Works building and Fire Station. This would be a double-faced sign identifying both buildings. A total of \$5,000 from the DPW and Fire Station budgets had been allocated for this purpose.

It is also necessary to replace the Stoney Lakeside Park sign due to the previous structure being completely deteriorated and was then removed. Allocation from the Parks General Fund would be made.

DPW Director DesJarden and City Manager Pasquale recommended DeRuiter Woodcraft of Wyoming to provide these signs giving coordination and uniformity with the existing City Limits and Cemetery signs. The cost would be \$4,495 for the Public Works/Fire Station sign and \$3,695 for Stoney Lakeside Park.

Councilmember Myers questioned if both DPW and Fire Station could be covered adequately with one sign. DPW Director DesJarden said it would be sufficient, especially due to the widening of South Hudson. The double-faced sign would be located between the DPW building and the Fire Station's north driveway.

Myers also asked if there were other vendors who could provide a quote. City Manager Pasquale stated uniformity was desired with the other City signs. DesJarden noted other quotes could have been solicited, but DeRuiter would be designing it.

Mayor Blough inquired if the quotes were similar to the previous ones for the City Limits and Cemetery signs. DesJarden responded yes.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to purchase signs for the Department of Public Works/Fire Station for \$4,495 and Stoney Lakeside Park for \$3,695 from DeRuiter Woodcrafts of Wyoming.  
YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item #5. MONTHLY REPORTS.** Councilmember Myers noted building permits amounted to \$3,037,500 of commercial construction within the City this year.

**Item #6. CITIZEN COMMENTS.** Chief of Police Valentine requested Council's opinion on having bleachers from the Fairgrounds be placed along Main Street in the downtown area during the Riverwalk parade. The bleachers would be located at curbside, which would leave 6 to 7 feet for sidewalk traffic. Ron Wenger, the president and grounds manager of the Kent County Youth Fair, volunteered to move these bleachers. Three to four sections of bleachers would be placed on the north side of Main Street between the Riverwalk Plaza and Dr. Judd Carroll's office while two sets would be placed on the south side of Main Street in the same area.

Councilmember Myers noted concerns on parking issues. Councilmember Green supported the concept other than during the Memorial Day parade.

The consensus of the Council was supportive in having the bleachers placed along Main Street for the Riverwalk Festival.

Councilmember Myers stated it would be great if all parades could be video taped.

Liz Baker, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce, stated the Chamber would be enforcing the no throwing of candy policy during the parade. Candy must be handed to the spectators.

Clark Jahnke, 905 East Main, stated his concerns with the trash pick up service in the City. At the request of Council, records of these two prior weeks and the next two outlining complaints would be provided. If necessary, a representative from Pitsch Companies would be invited to answer concerns regarding service.

**Item #7. COUNCIL COMMENTS.** Councilmember Myers mentioned Councilmember Quada was in a motorcycle accident Saturday, August 19th and is at Spectrum Downtown in intensive care. Please keep Ray and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Councilmember Green concurred with Myers on keeping Ray and his family in our thoughts and prayers.



## Lowell Scouts Clear Trails

Lowell Cub Scout Pack 3188 helped the Land Conservancy of West Michigan clear trails and hang signs at the new Wege Natural Area on Saturday, Aug. 26.

The volunteer effort has the Cub Scout Pack earn its community achievement service award. Pictured are Cub Scouts Adam Schollaart, Richard Porter, Keefer Riley, Kyle Riley, Kris Keller, Tom Davenport, Garrett Beaman, Parker Liu and Nick Kellar. Kiran Riley, Cecilia Escobar and Colin Reed, of County Line 4-H, also lent a helping hand.

Parents and leaders are: Gary Liu, Rich Riley, Kathy Beaman, Barb Porter, Lori Riley and Sandy Schollaart.

## Bolt will hold two-day workshop

Move up a step in your watercolor skills and become a more proficient, confident painter in this two-day workshop with master teacher Eunice Bolt.

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Call ahead at 897-7842 to be sure you're part of this workshop. The cost for two days of instruction is \$60 and the one-day workshop, either Friday, Sept. 8 or Saturday, Sept. 9 is \$40. Make checks payable to the Franciscan Life Process Center and send attention/John Knight, 11650 Downes Street, Lowell, MI 49331-9489.

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# CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Councilmember Shores noted her concerns with Ray and his family. She also commented on the condition of the old Rite Aid building on the east side of town as well as with the old Lowell 66 gas station next to the Rite Aid building.

City Manager Pasquale stated the Downtown Historic District Commission had an extensive meeting this past week in regarding the old Rite Aid building and plans for its usage and renovation. But there has been no information on the Lowell 66 building yet.

**Item #8. MANAGER'S REPORT.** City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:  
1. The following meetings minutes were presented:

- Downtown Historic Commission meeting of June 12
- Downtown Development Authority meeting of July 20
- Grand Valley Metro Council - Transportation meeting of July 19

2. With a September 1 deadline coming, City Manager Pasquale stated he wished to submit two applications to the Lowell Area Community Fund (Englehardt Trust). These are:

- Irrigation Systems for Creekside Park and Recreation Park ballfield at a cost of \$45,600. There would be a grant request of \$35,600 with the remaining amount to be requested from the Look Memorial Fund.

• Cemetery Storage/Office buildings at a cost of \$75,000. There would be a grant request of \$25,000 with the remaining amount to be requested from the Look Memorial Fund.

After a lengthy discussion, the consensus of the Council was to proceed with the grant request for the irrigation systems for Creekside Park and Recreation Park ballfield, but to defer on the Cemetery storage/office buildings at this time. There were divided opinions on the appropriateness of seeking grant funding for such a project.

3. As part of the South Hudson Street reconstruction project, City Manager Pasquale would like to request Light and Power provide a price for placing wiring underground. This would be an expensive project, but would add to the appearance of the southern entrance to the City.

The consensus of the Council was to request a price for placing wiring underground as part of the reconstruction project on South Hudson Street Light and Power.

4. \$5,000 contribution to the Lowell Area Historical Association was this past Thursday, August 17, 2000.

5. The next City Council meeting will be on Tuesday, September 5th due to Labor Day observance and offices will be closed on Monday, September 4th.

**Item #9. APPOINTMENTS.** Mayor Blough received a letter of interest for the Lowell Light and Power/Cable TV Board position from David Austin, 908 Lincoln Lake. Austin has resided in Lowell since 1994 and is a consulting engineer to governmental units with the firm of Williams and Works, Inc.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS AND SECONDED BY GREEN to appoint David Austin (908 Lincoln Lake) to the Lowell Light and Power/Cable TV Board to a three year term expiring June 30, 2003.  
YEA: 4.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 1.  
MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by MYERS to adjourn to Closed Session at 8:45 p.m. regarding property acquisition pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Act.

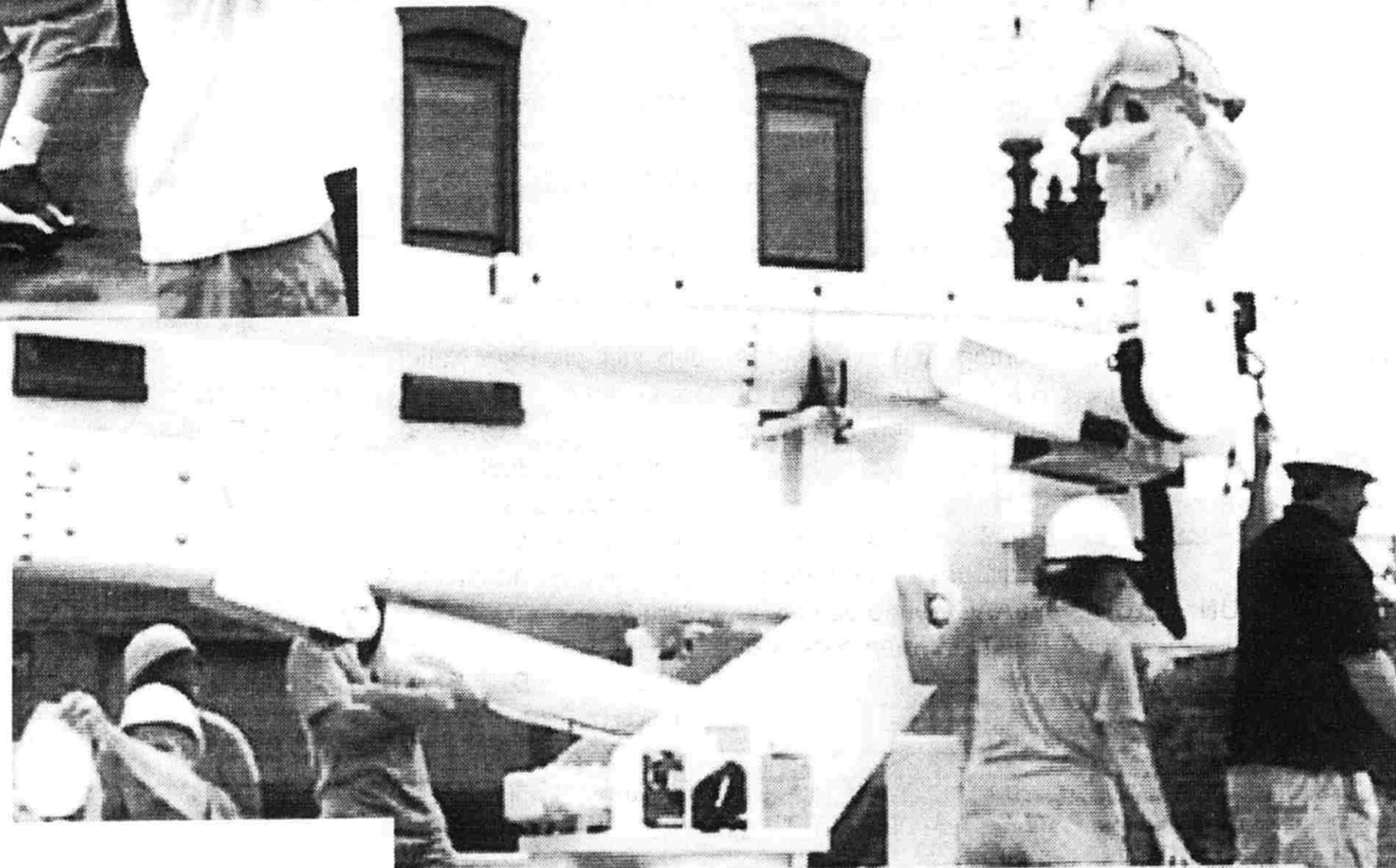
IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by MYERS to return to open session at 8:57 p.m.  
IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 8:58 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: Tuesday, September 5, 2000

Michael K. Blough, Mayor  
Betty R. Morlock, Clerk



# PLAYING IN THE RAIN



# 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.

**EVERY SUN.:** Misner 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 MONTH:** 3:15 to 4:30 p.m., Family Council for the Laurels of Kent Nursing Home. This is a volunteer group formed to enhance the quality of life for all the residents. Interested persons are welcome to meet in the Activity Room, Wing "C."

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

**SECOND MON. OF EACH MONTH:** Fallasburg Historical Society will hold its monthly board meeting, to which the public is invited, in the meeting room of Englehardt Library at 7 p.m.

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

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

**MON. OR TUES.:** Cub Scouts for boys in 1st - 5th grades, in Alto or in Lowell. Contact Terry Amidon at 897-8751 for more information.

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

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

**EVERY MON.:** Boy Scout Troop 10210, for boys 11 & up or completing the 5th-grade, will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. during the school year in the Scout Cabin at the end of N. Washington Street. Enjoy activities like hiking and camping and learn skills that can last a lifetime. For more information call Terry Cavanaugh, 868-6481.

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

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

**TUES.:** Summer play group for 3-year old/preschool age children. They meet weekly in the mornings and rotate houses. Also field trips. Interested in some summer fun with your little one? Call Kim 897-5257. Space limited - call soon.

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

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

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

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

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

**EVERY OTHER WED.:** 6:45-8:45 p.m. G.E.M.S. Girls Club at Calvary Christian Reformed Church.

Girls ages 8-13 are welcome. Call 897-8694.

**EVERY WED.:** Pioneer Clubs 6:30 - 8 p.m. Evergreen Missionary Church 10501 Settlewood Dr. Children ages 4 thru 7th grade. Call 897-5894 for more details.

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

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

**EVERY WED.:** Rotary meets at noon at the Masonic Temple. Programs for July include: Pam Nation, exec. director Habitat for Humanity; Clarence Underwood, athletic director for MSU & A Michigan Outdoors program. Members plan on attending & bring a guest.

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

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

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

**EVERY WED.:** Overeaters Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. at Forest Hills Presbyterian Church, 7495 Cascade Rd. (at 36th St.) No fees, no dues, no weigh-ins.

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

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

**EVERY THURS. - St. Mary's Pregnancy Crisis Center, 402 Amity St., non-denominational-help for pregnant women and ado-**

lescents at the school. From 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. and on Mondays from 5:30 - 8 p.m. Phone 897-9393.

**FIRST THURS.:** 4-H drama club meeting. The club examines theater related topics, creative and personal development skills. Meetings held once a month at Lowell Middle School choir room. For more information call 897-1502 evenings after 5 p.m.

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

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

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

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

**EVERY THIRD THURS.:** LaLeche League of Ada, Cascade & Lowell meets at 6:30 p.m. for socializing with meeting at 7 p.m. Mother to mother support for pregnant & breastfeeding women. Nursing children are welcome to attend. Our current location is a church in Ada. Please call 752-7524 for more information.

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

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

**FOURTH THURS. OF EACH MONTH:** Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) meets at 7 a.m. in high school teachers dining room for a light breakfast. For information concerning FCA call Kris Gallagher at 676-1355 or Linda Johnson at 897-4922.

**EVERY SAT.:** Lowell Amateur Radio Club sponsors the 145.270 - repeater which operates on a 24-hour basis. Also there is a

Simplex Frequency 147.420 PL 186.2.

**THURS., FRI., SAT. & SUN.:** Averill Historical Museum of Ada, 7144 Headley is open from 1 to 4 p.m.

**ENGLEHARDT LIBRARY HOURS:** Mon. & Wed., 1-8 p.m.; Tues. & Fri., 1-5 p.m.; Thurs. & Sat., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

**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.

**THURS., SEPT. 7:** The Lowell Middle School will be hosting Parent Orientation Night from 7 - 8:30 p.m. in the gymnasium. You will be introduced to your child's teachers and find out what the school has to offer your student(s).

**THURS., SEPT. 7:** Ver-

gennes Cooperative Club will meet at Schneider Manor at 1 p.m. Hostesses: Norma Noall, Evelyn Tichelaar and Jeanne Shores. Program: A trip to the Philippines by Betty Yeiter. Sponsor: Pauline Burtle.

**WED., SEPT. 13:** Snow United Methodist Church at 3189 Snow Ave. SE will serve a family style turkey & dressing dinner at 5:30 p.m. Adults, \$7; Children 5-12, \$2.

**SAT., SEPT. 16:** Lowell Athletic Boosters 5th annual Golf Outing, 8 a.m. Shotgun start. Quail Ridge Golf Club 8375 36th St., Ada.

**WED., SEPT. 27:** The Lowell Rotary Club is sponsoring a blood drive for the Grand Valley Blood Program from 3-7 p.m. at the Look Memorial Fire Station located at 315 S. Hudson.

**TUES., OCT. 17:** Harvest Dinner at Lowell 1st United Methodist Church, 5-7 p.m. \$7 adults; \$3 children 6-12; free 5 & under. Buffet style turkey dinner; take-outs available.

## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

### LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR 897-5949

**MON.:** 8:30 a.m., Walking, Woodland Mall. **THURS.:** 9 a.m. Walk and shop Woodland Mall; 9:30 a.m. Crafts; 1:00 p.m. Euchre.

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

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

### Special Events

**WED., SEPT. 6:** 9:30 a.m. Blood Pressure.

**WED., SEPT. 6:** 8 a.m. Men's breakfast.

**THURS., SEPT. 7:** Noon, Dance - Westside complex.

**FRI., SEPT. 8:** 12:40 p.m. Shop - Meijer.

**MON., SEPT. 11:** 12:40 p.m. Shop - Walmart.

**WED., SEPT. 13:** noon, movie "On the Waterfront".

**THURS., SEPT. 14:** 9 a.m. Salute to seniors - Crossroads Village.

**FRI., SEPT. 15:** 1:15 p.m. Saint Andrew's Cathedral.

**TUES., SEPT. 19:** 7:15 a.m. McDonalds - Rockford - music.

**WED., SEPT. 20:** 10 a.m. Advisory Council; 2:30 p.m. Open house at Central office - G.R.

**THURS., SEPT. 21:** noon, dance Westside complex.

**FRI., SEPT. 22:** 12:40 p.m. Gerontology Network.

**FRI., SEPT. 22:** 12:40 p.m. Shop - Meijer.

**TUES., SEPT. 26:** 7:15 a.m. Soaring Eagle.

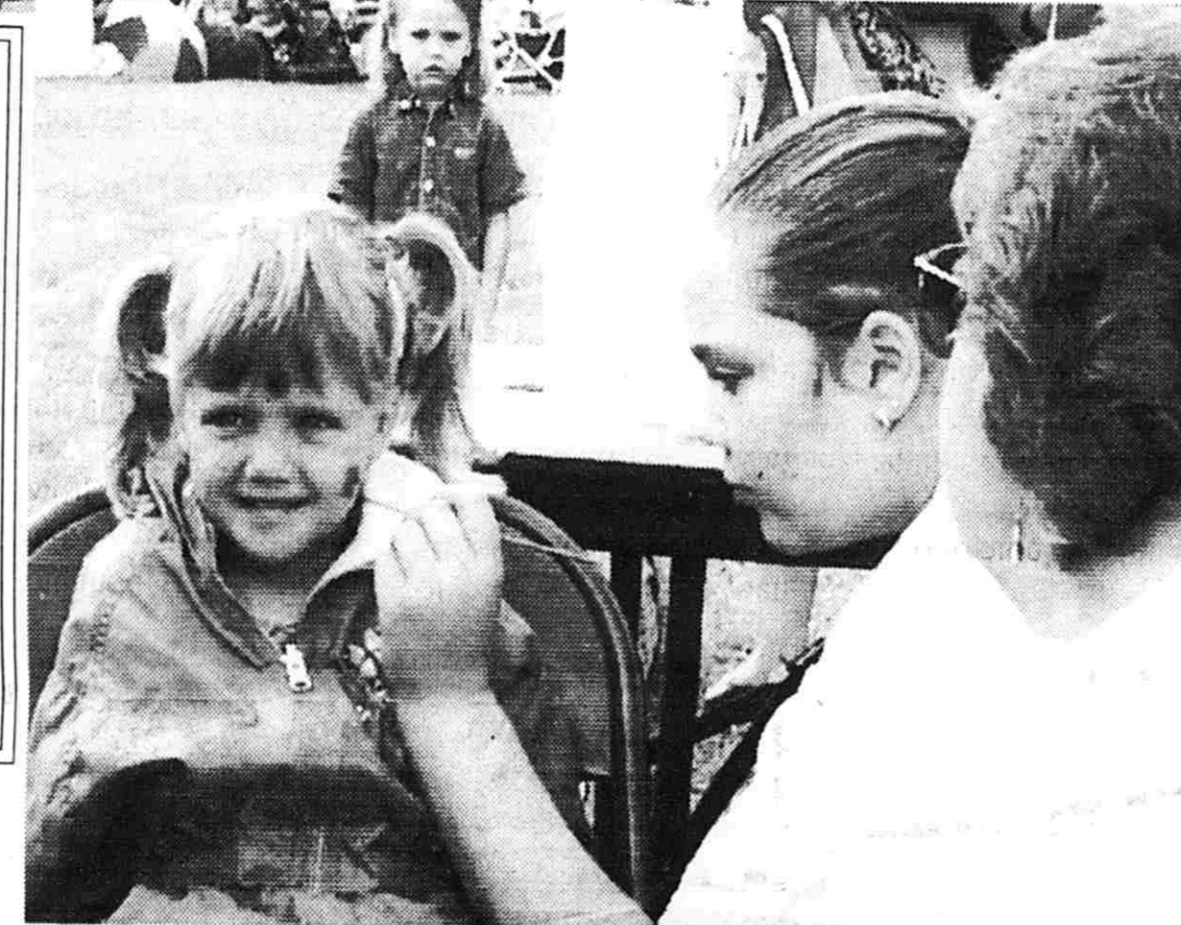
**WED., SEPT. 27:** 8 a.m. Women's breakfast.

**FRI., SEPT. 29:** 12:40 p.m. Tour Fallasburg Park & Village.

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



**REVELING  
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# Line play pushes Lowell past Catholic Central 16-6

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

An injury-plagued Lowell offensive line had not executed to the level of expectations in preseason scrimmages or in the season opening win against Ionia.

Tied with Catholic Central at halftime, the Red Arrow "big uglies" were challenged to step up in the second half.

They answered the call, and with the help of some big plays, Lowell ran its record to 2-0 with a 16-6 nonconference win over City League power, Catholic Central, Thursday night.

The victory was carried out before former coaches, players and cheerleaders who gathered for a halftime ceremony celebrating the 100th anniversary of Lowell football.

"The offensive line hasn't executed, but they played well tonight," Lowell football coach Noel Dean said. "I thought both our offensive and defensive lines took over in the second half."

A game which had its share of fumbles and misplays, Lowell executed to perfection on a game-winning touchdown pass with 5:50 to play in the third quarter.

Faced with a fourth down and nine from the Cougar 32, Lowell quarterback Josh Brown rifled a pass over the middle to a cutting Brad Eldridge for a 32-yard touchdown pass.

"We call that a 36-downtown and it went downtown. It was a nice pass and Brad is a good receiver," Dean said. The reception gave Lowell a 13-6 advantage.

Three times in the second half, Catholic Central drove into Lowell territory and three times the Red Arrow defense turned them away.

The Cougars had the ball third down and 12 at the Lowell 32 when Neil Reimbold intercepted a Central pass.

Late in the third quarter, a Catholic Central drive was stopped at the Lowell 30 yard line.

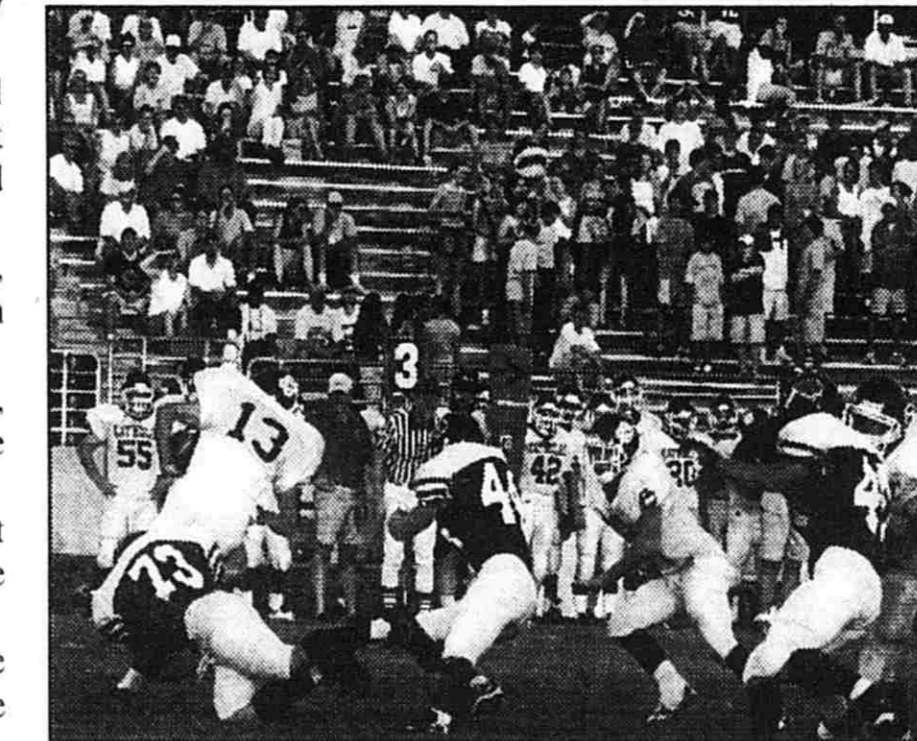
Midway through the fourth quarter, a Cougar drive was halted at the Lowell 19.

The game ended with the Cougars at the Lowell 11 yard line.

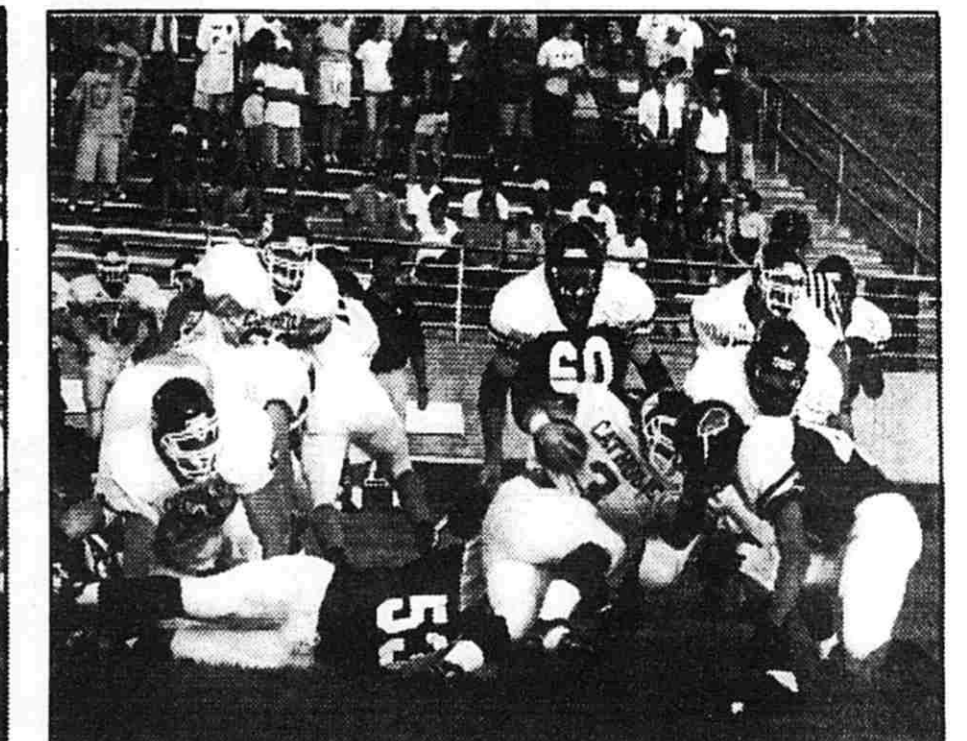
"We had trouble moving the ball consistently," said Catholic Central coach Tom Passinaut. "We knew this was



Josh Brown (#9) scored two touchdowns (one passing, one rushing) and rushed for 63 yards in Lowell's win over Catholic Central.



Lowell's Brandon Biggs (#73) tackles the Cougar QB Nick Elve.



Catholic Central runningback Nathan Brady is tripped up by Lowell's Kyle Sitzer (#53).

going to be a tough game. We challenged our players with a tough schedule, but this is a game we could have won."

A key reason the Cougars didn't was the play of the Lowell QB. "He (Brown) is dangerous. He came up with the big plays and passed the ball better than we thought," Passinaut added. "I also thought Lowell out physicaled us tonight."

Dean wasn't as surprised. "Josh has worked hard over the years. Lowell has had some good fortune with its quarterbacks since I've been here."

Dean was referring to Phil Catlin, T.J. Thayer and now Football, cont'd. pg. 17

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Mark Catlin (#3) caught four passes for 37 yards in Lowell's 16-6 win over Catholic Central. J.V. & Freshman won 26-0 and 14-8 respectively.

Pictured above, from left to right, former Lowell coaches, Bud Howe, Charlie Pierce, Jerry Smith, Bob Perry, Al Rowe and Phil Christiansen.

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# Red Arrows find offensive rhythm in 53-43 win over Wyoming Rogers

Lowell senior Amanda Stoutjesdyk scores 21 in Lowell's 10-point win over Rogers.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell fought off a late charge from Rogers as it removed the goose egg from its win column with a 53-43 nonconference victory.

A big shot and big defensive play down the stretch from an unlikely Red Arrow helped Lowell, 1-1. give coach Dee Crowley her first varsity win.

Up three, 46-43, with the ball and a little under two minutes to play, Lowell point guard Becky Bosserd drained a three-point shot in helping the Red Arrows stave off a late Hawk rally.

Bosserd also came up big on defense. The Red Arrow took a big time charge coming down the stretch of the fourth quarter.

"Becky hit a big three and

took a big charge," Crowley explained.

Lowell was also buoyed by the strong inside play of senior center Amanda Stoutjesdyk. The Red Arrow finished inside against a smaller Rogers club as she netted a game-high 21 points. The senior scored eight of Lowell's first 10 points.

"We used our height advantage and we finished our layups," Crowley said. "Amanda is our dominant post player. We base a lot of our game around her."

Stoutjesdyk got help from her base line teammate Blair Meyer. The sophomore scored 11 points.

Leslie Crowley, the Middleville transfer, poured in 12 points, nine in the first half. She also cleared 12 rebounds.

"The problem with stop-

ping Lowell is their high-low game. When you try to stop a player like Stoutjesdyk, then Crowley comes in and takes care of you," said Crowley.

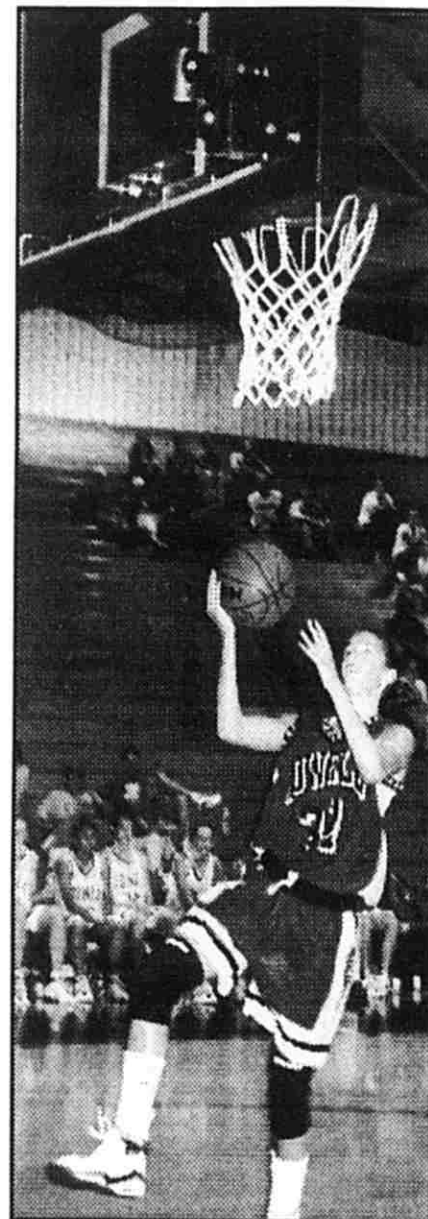
**Ionias 46  
Lowell 41**

Missed layups, missed foul shots, missed passes and a pretty good Ionia basketball team soured the start of the highly anticipated Lowell girls basketball season.

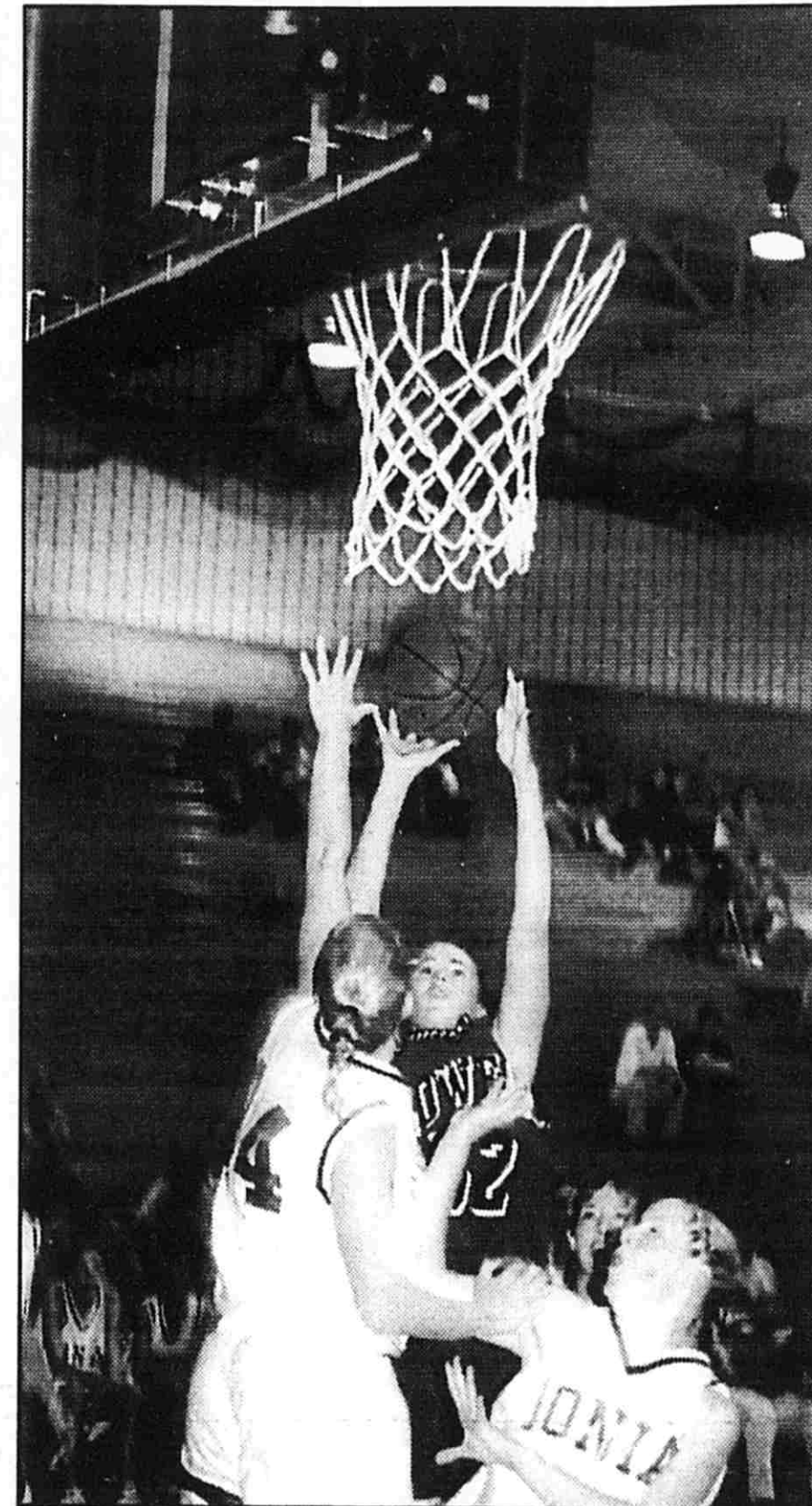
Lowell led 18-14 at half-time, but a 13-0 third-quarter run lifted the Bulldogs to a five-point victory.

"Our spurt in the third quarter was obviously a key part of the game," said Ionia basketball coach Jim VanSyckle. "We hit some big three-point shots and that loosened us up a little."

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Leslie Crowley scores off a steal. She netted 13 points against Ionia



Lowell's Amanda Stoutjesdyk goes up over an Ionia defender for two of her 13 points.

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Power doesn't come from telling people what to do; it comes from learning what goes on.  
—Ken Olsen of Digital Equipment  
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# Red Arrow soccer team posts back-to-back wins over Greenville and Wyoming Park

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

It was offense that got the Lowell boys soccer team past Greenville.

It was defense which lifted Lowell past Wyoming Park.

The Red Arrows (2-1) will need both when they open play in the OK White this week against Hastings and East Grand Rapids.

"From an offensive standpoint we had things clicking against Greenville," said

Lowell soccer coach Paul Legge.

The Red Arrow ball movement, patience with its attack and the dynamic play of Ryan Phillips keyed Lowell's 5-4 win over the Yellowjackets.

Phillips netted two goals and an assist. He scored Lowell's first goal and only first half goal as the Red Arrows trailed 2-1 at halftime.

"We played a poor defensive game. Our marking up was terrible," Legge said.

Lowell pushed four balls past the Greenville goalie in the second half. Jeff Haraal, Chris Cress, Phillips and Mike Kinney creased the net.

The Red Arrow offense continued to click against the Vikings and was also aided by a sharp defensive effort.

"The boys showed a lot more movement. They sup-

ported well and got the ball to the inline and made crossing plays," Legge said.

Lowell led 3-1 at half with goals by Matt Foster, Troy Gillan and Phillips.

Second half goals were netted by John Webb and Gillan in upending Wyoming Park 5-1.

## Freshman football team wins 14-8

Solid defense was the foundation from which Lowell's freshman football team posted a 14-8 win over Catholic Central.

Dustin VanLoon tallied Lowell's first touchdown with eight minutes left to play in the first quarter. VanLoon scored on a 51-yard run. Chris Curtis added the two-point conversion.

Sean Myers intercepted a Cougar pass at the Lowell 30-yard line and returned it 60 yards, setting up Lowell's second score.

The Red Arrows increased their lead to 14-0 when Curtis rambled in from 24 yards out. A second interception by Myers with 22 seconds left in the half nearly led to a third Lowell touchdown. Curtis connected with Luke Tomczak on a 60-yard pass to end the half.

Catholic's only score came with 4:44 to play in the third quarter. Lowell failed to reach paydirt when it was stopped at the Central two-yard line.

Receiving offensive recognition for their effort were Bredon Harden and Dustin Pedley. Recognized for their defensive effort were Luke Baker and Grant Dagggett. Lowell travels to Hastings on Thursday.

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Leslie Crowley and Amanda Stoutjesdyk led Lowell with 13 points apiece. Ionia got a game-high 14 points from Karine Campbell and 12 points from Katie Deupree. "We held the ball too long before passing. When we did get easy shots, the girls missed them," Lowell coach Dee Crowley said.

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Brown. "I think we also have a couple of good ones coming up," he added.

The Red Arrows got out of the gate quickly, as they took the opening kickoff and marched 65 yards in four

plays. With Brown racing in from 39 yards out, he finished the run with a punishing hit on a Cougar defender at the four yard line.

Later in the first quarter, Central tied the score at 6-6

after a Red Arrow bad snap from center. Three plays later, the Cougars took it in from the two yard line.

Lowell entertains Hastings on Friday.

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**GARAGE SALE**  
Furniture, clothes, woodcrafts, lots of misc. Sept. 7, 8 & 9 9564 E. Fulton, between Lowell & Ada.

**YARD SALE**  
Clothes, furniture, appliances, knick-knacks & more. 13446 Forest River Dr. S.E., N. off Flat River. 9/8 & 9/9.

**GARAGE SALE**  
Sept. 9, 9-5 p.m. 5914 Potters Rd. Canoe, mirrored sliding doors, car top carrier, free alum. storm window, snow fence, Ford P/U rim w/tires, Coleman camp stove, educational kids computer, Word Process typewriter w/various fonts & spell check, antique items including: fence stretcher, grinding mill, floor scale, men's suits, men's & women's clothing & shoes & other items. Call 642-3645.

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**GARAGE SALE**  
Sept. 8 & 9, 9-5 p.m. 13862 Oberley Dr. Furniture, household items, and clothing, children to adult sizes.

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2 horses, 1 reg. Arabian, 11 yr. old mare, \$1500; quarter horse gelding, \$1000; travel trailer, \$1,000, utility trailer, \$1000; '82 Bonneville station wagon, \$600; '53 Chevy best offer. Much, much more. Sat. thru Mon., Sept. 2, 3 & 4. 1836 Red Creek Dr., Saranac (off Sayles) 642-9667.

**CAMPBELL LAKE**  
Sept. 8 & 9. Huge Sale. 1 mi. E. of Whitneyville, off 84th St. to 8575 Dygert. Sofa, chairs, dinette, desk, dressers, wicker, dishes, household, clothes, books, entertainment center, tee & sweatshirts, boat (1978 20' Wellcraft w/ trailer) \$3,800; 1995 Chev. grill and more.

**REALLY REALLY BIG BASEMENT MARKDOWN SALE**  
Thurs, Sept. 7, 3 pm-7 pm only. Stuff has to go. Bring a bag & you fill it for \$5. Everything else is 50% off or marked down. Flower pots, wood crafts, holiday decorations, still lots of nice misc. Don't miss this one again. 10415 36th St. SE, Lowell

**ANTIQUE SALE**  
Sept. 16 & 17, 10-4. Antique clock, vases, table & chairs, cookie rack, meat block, meat saw, bottles, metal cigar box, bread table. Size 8 kids clothes, boots, shoes, camping equipment. 17 N. Bridge St. (former Gerald Adgate Grocery Store) next to Kelly's Restaurant in Saranac.

**GARAGE SALE**  
Thurs. & Fri., Sept. 14 & 15, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Baby equipment, tools, clothes, household misc. 1267 Valley Vista Dr.

Look for this handy page in the April 30, 2001 edition!

## Lowell girl harriers edge Caledonia; boys swept

Lisa Wojciakowski led the Red Arrow girls cross country team to a split in their triangular meet against Caledonia and Middleville. Lowell and Caledonia tied 28-28, but the Red Ar-

rows won when Molly Kirsch (25:19) came home ahead of the Fight'n Scots' sixth harrier. Wojciakowski stopped the clock in 21:30. She was followed by Holly Plattner

23:21; Abby Vos 24:16; Sarah Swab 24:23; and Abbie Blanding 24:27. Middleville, the defending Class B state champion, defeated Lowell 19-39. The Lowell boys cross

country team was defeated by Middleville 22-33 and by Caledonia 17-41.

Lowell's top five harriers were within 47 seconds of one another.

Pat Cavanaugh came home in 20:10 to lead the pack. Following him were Kevin Frazier, 20:16; Caleb

O'Boyle 20:37; Scott Riddle 20:44 and Dave Anderson 20:57.

"We're running in a pack which is good. Now we just need to bring the times down and we will be alright," Lowell cross country coach Clay VanderWarf said.



**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT**  
Jeff and Amy Batey of Lowell are proud to announce the birth of their son

**Jeffrey Lloyd Batey Jr.**  
He was born Aug. 22, 2000 at 9:24 a.m. 8 lbs., 5 oz. & 21 1/2" long.

He is welcomed home by big brother, Sean, big sister, Nicole and grandparents Pam & Lloyd Batey of Lowell, Phyllis & LeRoy Wallace of Ionia and great grandparents Wallace & Donna Ypma of Jenison.

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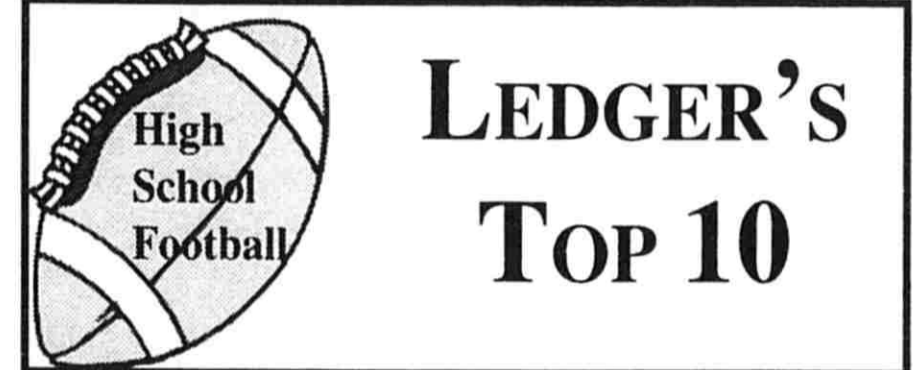
### MOVIE GUIDE

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SHOWS AND SHOWTIMES GOOD FOR 9:01 - 9:07

**COYOTE UGLY (PG-13)**  
5:05, 9:10  
**ART OF WAR (R)**  
12:15, 2:35, 4:55, 7:20, 9:40  
**THOMAS & THE MAGIC RAILROAD (G)** 1:00, 2:45  
**GOZILLA 2000 (PG)**  
1:05, 3:05, 7:10  
**AUTUMN IN NEW YORK (PG-13)** 4:40, 7:05, 9:35  
**SPACE COWBOYS (PG-13)**  
1:40, 4:10, 6:55, 9:25  
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- Creston (2-0)** - Big plays helped Polar Bears turn back a good FHN squad.
- Hudsonville (2-0)** - Eagle football program continues to fly high with 28-27 win over Jenison.
- Rockford (1-1)** - Week one's 14-10 loss to Brighton stirred the Rams. Traverse City Central paid the price.
- Lowell (2-0)** - Red Arrow lines stepped up in second half against City League power Catholic Central.
- Forest Hills Northern (1-1)** - Siegler coached teams win - ask Belding. In loss to Creston, Huskies prove they're among area elite.
- Zeeland (2-0)** - The Chix are never short on size and athletic ability, just ask the two OK Red teams they've beaten.
- Jenison (1-1)** - A tough loss to a good Hudsonville squad won't prevent the Wildcats from competing for an OK Red title.
- East Grand Rapids (2-0)** - Its glorious history dictates that the Pioneers shouldn't be overlooked. That and East hasn't lost yet.
- Coopersville (2-0)** - The defending OK Blue champions are undefeated, enough said.
- Catholic Central (1-1)** - A good squad which played a tough nonconference schedule. Remember the Cougars are the defending City league champions, not the Polar Bears.

# Lowell Branch YMCA 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday Fest

## Saturday, September 16

### 4:00 - 9:00 p.m.

## at Creekside Park

In case of rain, event will be held at Cherry Creek School.

**\$3 per Adult • \$2 per Child under 12**

Tickets available at the YMCA and all YMCA Child Care Centers. Advance ticket purchases recommended!

Pig Roast, Chicken, Potato Salad, Chips, Cookies, Birthday Cake, Drinks

**Five FREE Carnival Tickets included!**

Moon Walk, Inflatable Maze, Inflatable Caterpillar, Arts & Crafts, Old-fashioned Picnic Races, Cotton Candy, Popcorn, Balloons, Raffle Prizes

# Back To School CHECK OUT ALL THE BACK-TO-SCHOOL SPECIALS! Classifieds

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The family of Lucy Cole wish to thank our relatives and friends for the prayers and concerns during her recent illness and for the cards, flowers, charitable donations and funeral visits after her death. A special thank you to Roth Gerst funeral home, Rev. Gordie Barry for officiating the funeral service, Alice Blanding for the music, Visting Nurses/Hospice, Shiela Hoag for her compassionate care and Snow Methodist Church for the lunch. May God Bless all of you.

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**IONIA ANTIQUE MARKET** - Ionia Fairgrounds. M-66 N. of 196. Sun., Sept. 10, 8-4 p.m. Adm. \$2.50. Info 616-874-6928.

**THANK YOU**  
We would like to thank our friends and family who helped us celebrate our 25th wedding anniversary with your presence, gifts and cards. A special thank you to our children, Michelle, Mike and Jeff Mager and our special friends Andy Pellerito and Ron and Katie Alderink for the surprise party. It was a memorable day.  
God Bless You,  
Ted & Pat

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**IN MEMORY OF**  
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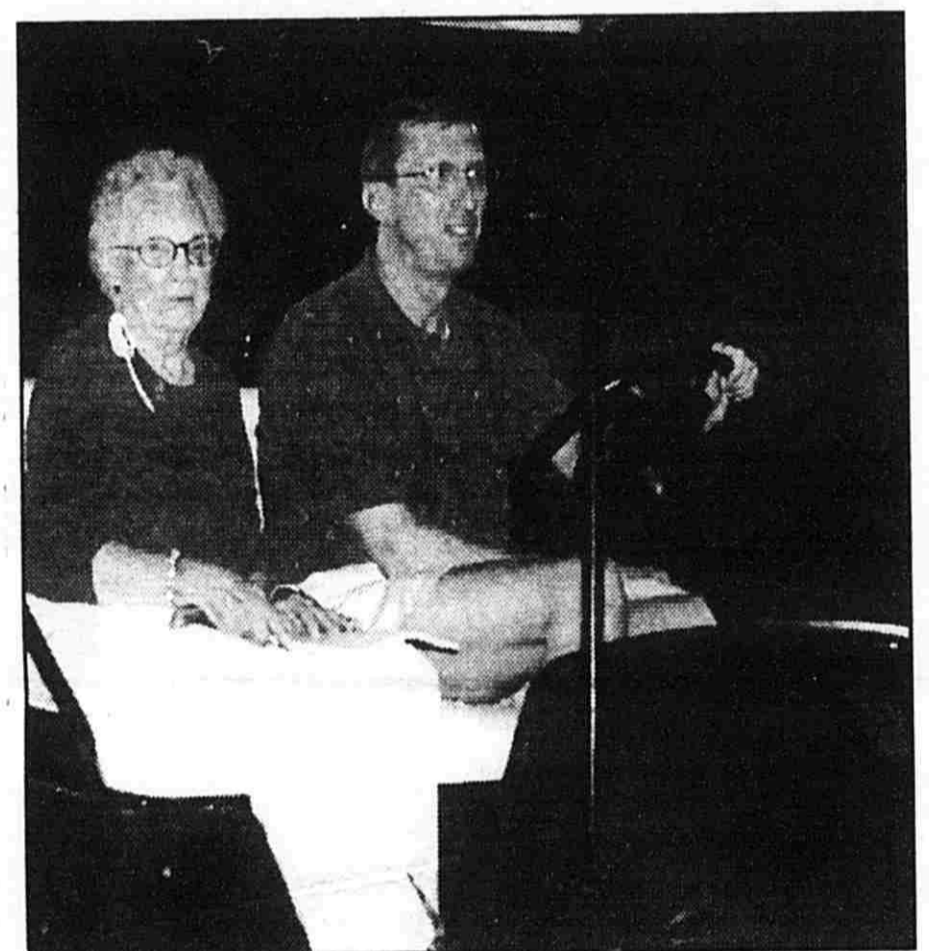
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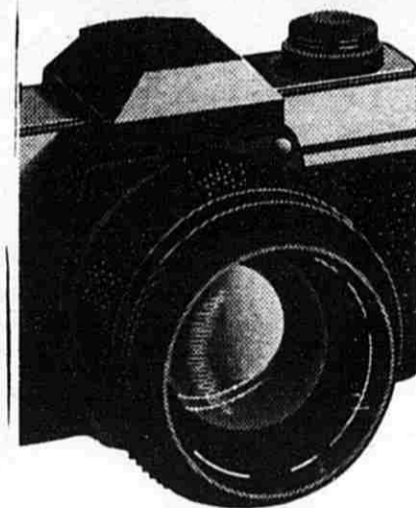
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Helen Burch rides with Tom Stahr during Friday's halftime ceremony celebrating Lowell's 100 years of football. Burch, representing her husband, the late Chris Burch, was one of seven former coaches in attendance.

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