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Foreman Road traffic study indicates removing trucks not warranted; however increasing turning radius should be considered

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

The number and percentage of trucks accessing Foreman Road is not excessive for a street of its nature, according to a truck route study completed by Ed Swanson, traffic engineer for Wade-Trim, Inc.

... Unless you live on it, Foreman Road resident, Delores Alexander would argue.

"It's a dangerous situation. The intersection is not big enough and that's not even bringing the pollution issue into

the conversation," Alexander explained. "When a car is stopped at the intersection to turn south onto Hudson and a truck is turning west onto Foreman, the vehicle has to back up nearly a half block so the truck can make a turn."

Trucks, currently, are running over curbs at the intersection of Foreman Road and Hudson Street, making the turn difficult. The turn requires at least 30 feet. The turning radius onto Hudson Street from Foreman Road is much less than 30 feet; therefore, increasing the radius should be considered, according to Swanson.

The traffic engineer added that while the study's findings do not indicate removing trucks is warranted, the city may want to consider possibly working with industry in the area to reduce truck intrusion.

A significant portion of trucks from Litehouse and Metric use Hudson Street to access Interstate 96 because it crosses

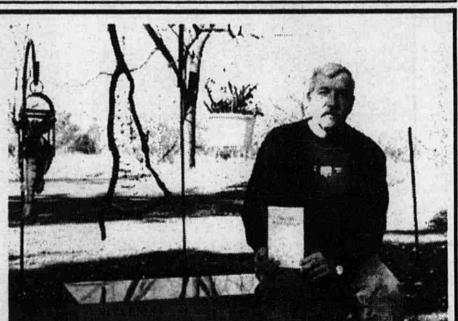
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Grant money assures Flat River Outreach Ministries will better serve more through assistance network

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Changed Forever

•••• Death of their sons inspires parents to publish book of poems in their struggle to find comfort and closure.



The ability to be proactive in initiating a network of services which address the complexity of a situation is the charge of the Emergency Assistance Network coordinated through the Flat River Outreach Ministries.

A recent \$16,000 grant from the Englehardt Lowell Area Community Fund will establish a financial base from which such services (heating, fuel, utilities, etc.) can be provided.

"Give the Lowell Area Community Fund and its advisory

board the credit. They have seen the worth of this program, and their vision and support will enable us to do it," said Roger LaWarre, Flat River Outreach Ministries'

board

chairman. "We're going to make them proud."

The program will address an individual's or family's whole situation while also bringing in other agencies to help improve the quality of its service.

"What happens is the individual or family doesn't come back for assistance; in fact, those who were helped, give back to the program through their volunteer efforts," LaWarre explained. "Recently we had a woman who was living in her car with her small baby. We're able to be proactive in initiating services to address the complexity of her situation."

The Flat River Outreach Ministries was able to budget \$40,000 toward emergency services. Through its ability to now network with other agencies (ACCESS 6, Salvation Army, utility providers, etc.), LaWarre says it can cut 40-50 percent off that, allowing the program to take on more clients.

The Flat River Outreach Ministries' grant was one of seven requests issued.

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\$144,976.

Roger LaWarre Flat River Outreach Ministries' Board Chairman.

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site development, \$3,676. Lowell Area Schools Education Foundation, growth and development, \$7,500, and year one of a three-year foundation matching fundraising plan, \$13,000.

 Christ the King, LAAC art classes, \$600.

· Lowell Area Schools, development of a Lowell Health Commons, \$4,200.

· City of Lowell, tanker replacement, \$100,000.

Applications for the next round of grants are due Dec. 28 with the grants awarded on Feb. 11.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

In life they brought joy ... in death they leave parents, families and friends with undying memories and love.

Along with the memories, there is the pain and those day-to-day emotions which family and friends struggle to process and understand.

Sam Morlock hopes a book of 117 poems titled, Those Who Went Before Us - Prayers to Heaven will help bring some sort of closure and comfort to families and friends who have lost loved ones.

"I don't want Steve (who died in an ATV accident on April 28, 2000) to be forgotten. I wanted there to be a legacy," Sam Morlock said. "I guess I've been looking for some sort of rainbow - showing me that things would be fine. Our world (wife Betty and Sam) has changed forever: things will never be the same."

Morlock began working on the idea for the book of poems 18 months ago. He sent out letters to families who have lost loved ones, asking if they would be interested in submitting a poem. Somewhere between 50-75- people responded with 117 poems. They are all showcased in the book which goes on sale Wednesday (Nov. 7) at the Flat



Above, Sam Morlock sits at the grave site of his son Steve, holding the recently published book of poems titled, "Those Who Went Before Us - Prayers to Heaven." Right, Beth Ball helped Morlock in putting together the book. Ball's son Josh Ford was killed two years ago on Nov. 7.



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Residential trash pickup service Other rescheduled for Tuesday and Thursday

•••• Company says new schedule more efficient and cost effective.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Beginning the first full week in December, Pitsch will combine its five partial hauling and disposal waste pickup routes in the city of Lowell into two full routes.

"This combination makes the routes more efficient and reduces the amount of waste hauler traffic in the city," said Pitsch's Andrew Vredenburg.

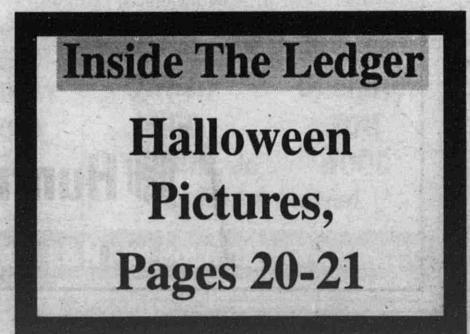
During a three-month trial basis, Pitsch will combine its Monday and Tuesday residential routes into one route, which will be run by Pitsch on Tuesday. It will also combine its Wednesday and Thursday residential and Friday commercial bag routes into one route on Thursday.

"Currently we travel 45 minutes to Lowell on Friday for six stops," said Steven Pitsch. "If we keep the trucks on Lowell streets, we can cover the whole city in two days. We believe it will be more efficient and more cost effective with

fewer days and less truck traffic."

To communicate the changes to the Lowell residents it serves, Pitsch will bear the cost of mailing out a letter outlining the changes.

Pitsch is currently in the second year of a three-year contract with the city of Lowell.



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OBITUARIES

BOZUNG - Harold N. children Marilyn (Robert) death by his wife of 68 years Bozung, aged 94, of Lowell, Ficeli of West Palm Beach. Dorothy and grandson Mark passed away October 17. FL. Lucille Snell of Grand 2001. He is survived by his Rapids, Sandra (William)

seven grandchildren; eight First United Methodist great-grandchildren: four. Church of Lowell, Rev. great-great-grandchildren. Gordie Barry officiating. In-Mr. Bozung was preceded in Brown. A memorial service will be held Saturday. No-

Forschler of Alamo, CA: vember 10 at 11 a.m. at the terment in Oakwood Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Visiting Nurses of Grand Rapids.

We really love being in Michigan. Especially the part under the pinky and ring finger.

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Rockford Lowell Grand Rapids Holland

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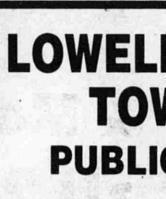
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Hurley, aged 81, of Parnell, died Monday, October 29, 2001. He was preceded in death by his wife Florence and son George. He is survived by his daughter Louise Rinard of Grand Rapids: son Robert (Erma) Hurley of Mesick; son William Hurley of Parnell; daughter Lori (Kevin) Blanding of Yucca Valley, Calif; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sister Julia Hurley. brother John Hurley both of Parnell: sister-in-law Mrs. Charles (Ellen) Hurley of Lowell; many nieces and nephews. Mass of Christian Burial was offered Friday at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Rev. Ronald Hutchinson, presiding. Interment St. Patrick's Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

PHILLIPS - Robert A. Phillips, aged 75, of Cascade, passed away October 31, 2001. He is survived by his wife of 54 years. Florence: children Marjorie (Perry) Railer of Lake George, Patricia (Dale) Reed of Lowell, Russell (Teresa) Phillips of Lowell, Phyllis (Jim) Ewing of Lowell, Gordon (Shelly) Phillips of Alto, Frank (Debbie) Phillips of Lowell, David (Carissa) Phillips of Wayland; 18 grandchildren; three greatgrandchildren. Funeral Services were held Saturday at the Roth-Gerst Chapel with Pastor Burland Margesson



PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Lowell Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2001

at 7:45 p.m. at the Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash, S.E.

Neil French has requested a variance for property located at 2625 Casey Rose Drive S.E. (PP# 41-20-12-300-015) which would allow insufficient front yard setback.

HURLEY - Robert G.

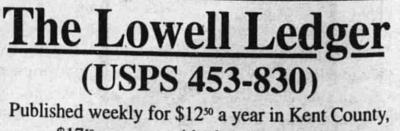
and Pastor Lee Taylor of First Baptist Church of Lowell officiating. Interment Cascade Cemetery. Memorial contri butions may be made to American Diabetes Associa-

ZOLL - Alma Jean "A.J." (Perry) Zoll, aged 72, of Peabody. Massachusetts died Wednesday, October 31, 2001, at her home after a courageous battle with cancer. Beloved wife of the late Solomon I. Zoll; devoted mother of Jennifer and Bruce Pierce of Peabody and the late Jeffrey Zoll; loving sister of Bob and his wife Velma Perry of Lowell; adoring grandmother of Jonathan Justin and Bradley Pierce: dear sister-in-law to Nathan and Jacqueline Zoll of Beverly, Dorothy Kalikow of Peabody and Sidney Feffer of Florida; cherished aunt to many nieces and nephews

Mrs. Zoll was born in Grand .Rapids and lived in Peabody since 1962. She was a member of Temple Beth Shalom in Peabody and a life member of its sisterhood and Hadassah. She was a member of the Peabody Council on Aging. Services were held at Temple Beth Shalom, 489 Lowell St., Peabody on Friday, November 2. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy in her memory may be donated to the American Cancer Society, 30 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701 or to Temple Beth Shalom.

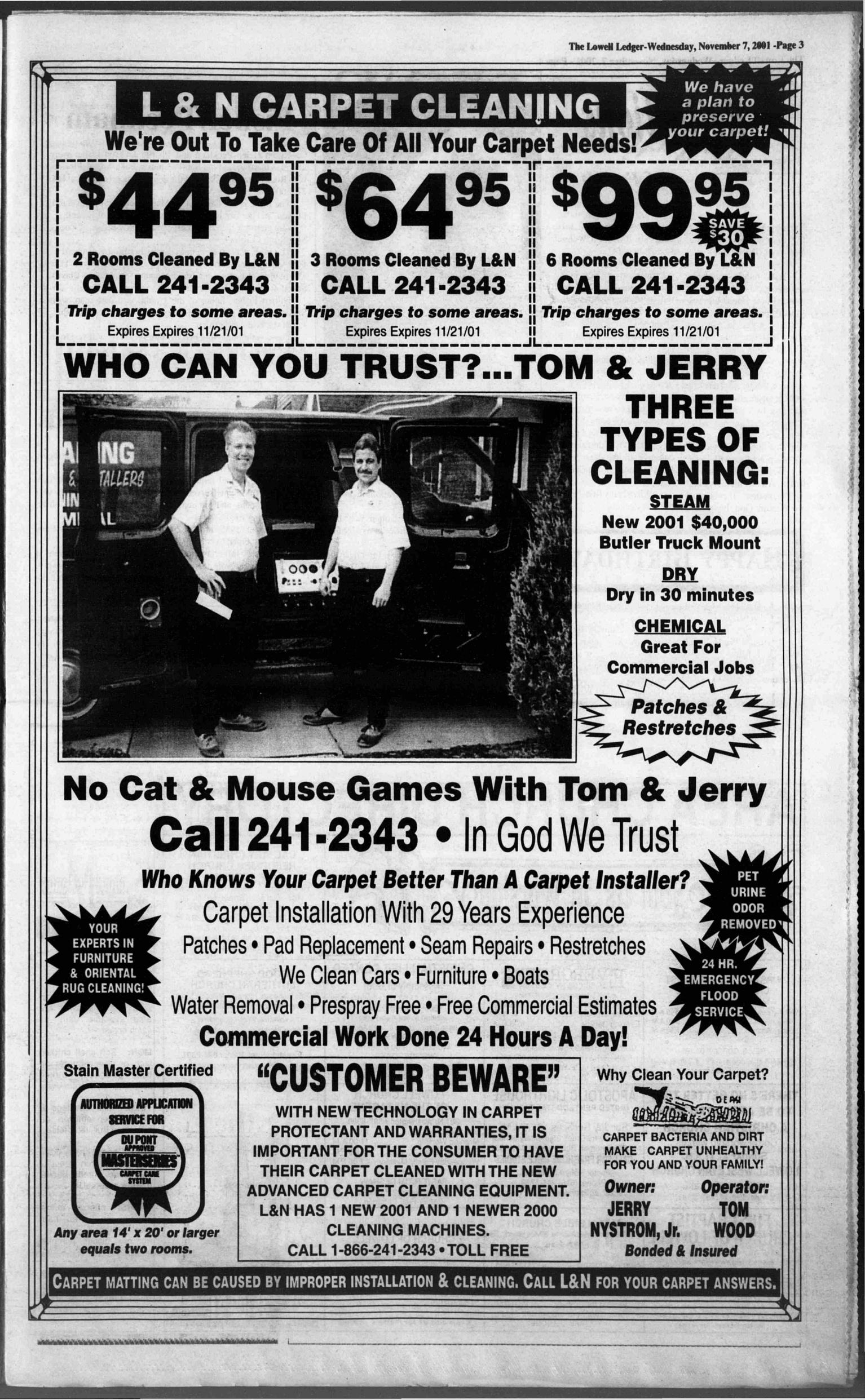
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By John VanderWall Calvary Christian Reformed Church

At the middle school, Fridays after classes, in the cafeteria. I host "God Rap Sessions Bible Study." Skeptics and believers come to discuss ideas and questions about God, the Bible, and the race of parents get divorced." life with its exciting fast turns. breakdown recoveries, and keeping on track. Here are person?" some great questions and ideas schoolers:

heaven if they kill someone?" "Explain free will."

I'm on A.D.D. medicine?"

"Devotions after a meal are to thank God. It is like if your dad stopped to fix

someone's flat tire, got dirty. and they drove off without saving anything."

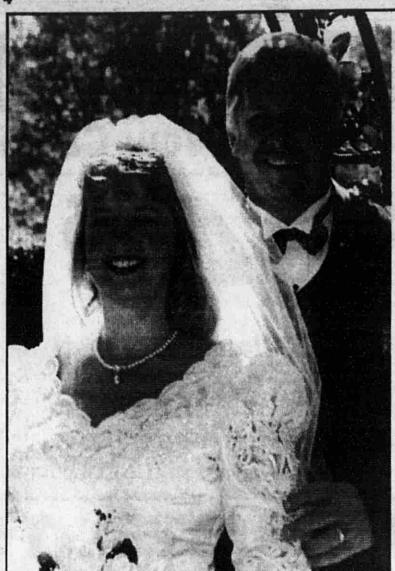
" 'Jesus wept' is the easiest and shortest verse in the Bible. It means Jesus cried too, so he understands when a sixth grade boy. like me, cries about sad things - like when grandparents pass away, or

"Do you mean the Bible wasn't written by just one "Is being born again about

that I've heard from middle reincarnation - so I am a better person when I come back as "Can a person go to another human, after I die?" "It is so wonderful that]

can give all my stress to the "Will God only like me if Lord in prayer. I can sleep at

night "When I pray first. I make the best decisions."



Fisher/Peckham

Karen Helen Peckham and Charlie Jackson Fisher were united in marriage at First Baptist Church, Lake Alfred, Florida, with Rocky Branch officiating the double ring ceremony on Jan. 27, 2001.

The bride is the daughter of Mary Peckham of Lakeland, Florida, and the late Richard Peckham, formerly of Lowell. The groom is the son of Gilbert and Doris Fisher of Rocky Mt., North Carolina.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother Richard C. Peckham, in honor of her father. Friend of the bride, Phyllis Free was matron of honor, and bridal attendant was Karen Blavio. Shannon Free was flower girl.

son of the bride and groom.

Winter Haven, Florida.

Community fund accepting requests for funds

The deadline to request funds from the Lowell Community Fund is noon Wednesday, Dec. 5.

To receive consideration and approval, all requests must be for funds that will aid local organizations in providing help to persons in the Lowell area.

The Heart of West Michigan United Way has set the December date aside for those qualified to receive funding for 2001-2002.

It has now implemented a two-year funding cycle, which means groups interested in receiving funds will submit a formal funding request every other year.

Request forms may be picked up at Dr. James Reagan's

COLLEGE NEWS

More than 4,000 students at Kansas State University are

The scholarships total \$6 million and most are made

scholarship recipients for the 2001-2002 school year. Among

the recipients was Aaron John Plattner, a 1999 graduate of

ing Memorial Scholarship.

office at 207 W. Main St., or at the main branch of Huntington Bank at 414 E. Main St.

The formal request forms include a demographic data sheet on clients served, how funds from the previous year were spent, and the annual budget for the organization re-

6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Union Station. Plattner is the son of Howard and Kristen Plattner of

Lowell High School. He received the \$1,000 Nina M. Brown- Lowell.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

NOV. 8: David Korte. Andrew Potter. Dick Rutherford. Joshua Chamberlain.

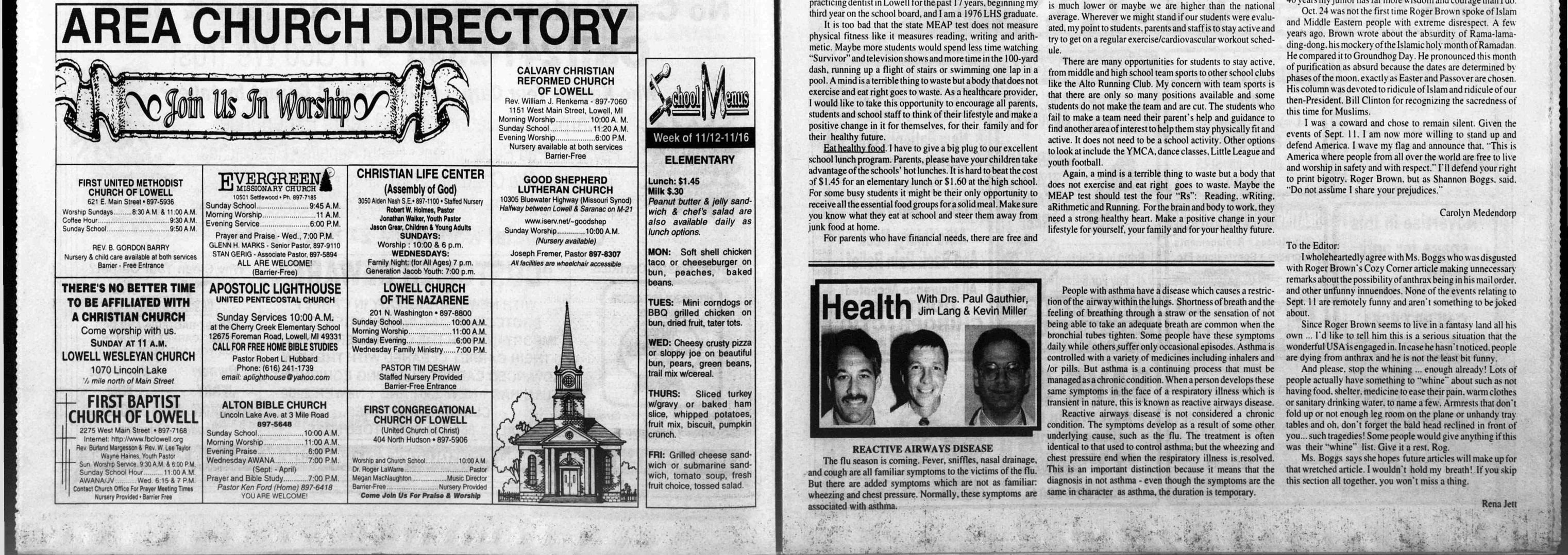
NOV. 9: Angie Briggs, Roxanne Goff, Danielle Bundy, Daryll Gildner, Katie Mendez, Carol Sue McGregor, Tom Mohr. Doris Ellis.

NOV. 10: Ann Bellah, Sarah Mogor, Tyler Dewey, Gary Daverman NOV. 11: Mike Roudabush, Tom Roudabush, Dan Wingeier

Jr., Rachel Burns, Zachary Ligman, Justin Warren, N. Stephen Kellev.

NOV. 12: Harry Erickson, Deborah Malloy, Al Olszewski. NOV. 13: Brian Gerard.

NOV. 14: David Durkee. Doris Rhines.



questing funds.

has dispersed over \$170,000 into the community. "It is important to note that this funding program is entirely separate from the Harold Englehardt funding program which is handled through the Grand Rapids Foundation," said Dr. Bob Reagan, secretary/treasurer of the fund.

Gilbert Fisher, father of the groom, was best man, with Shelton Fisher as groomsman. Ringbearer was Jonathan Fisher,

The couple honeymooned in Florida. They will reside in

From 1955 through 2001 the Lowell Community Fund

possible through donations and gifts to the KSU Foundation. K-State's fifth annual Scholarship Expo and Workshop will be Tuesday, Nov. 13 at the K-State Student Union. The Expo will be from 6 to 6:30 p.m. in the Union Courtyard. The workshop, where students can get answers to questions about searching and applying for scholarships, will be held from

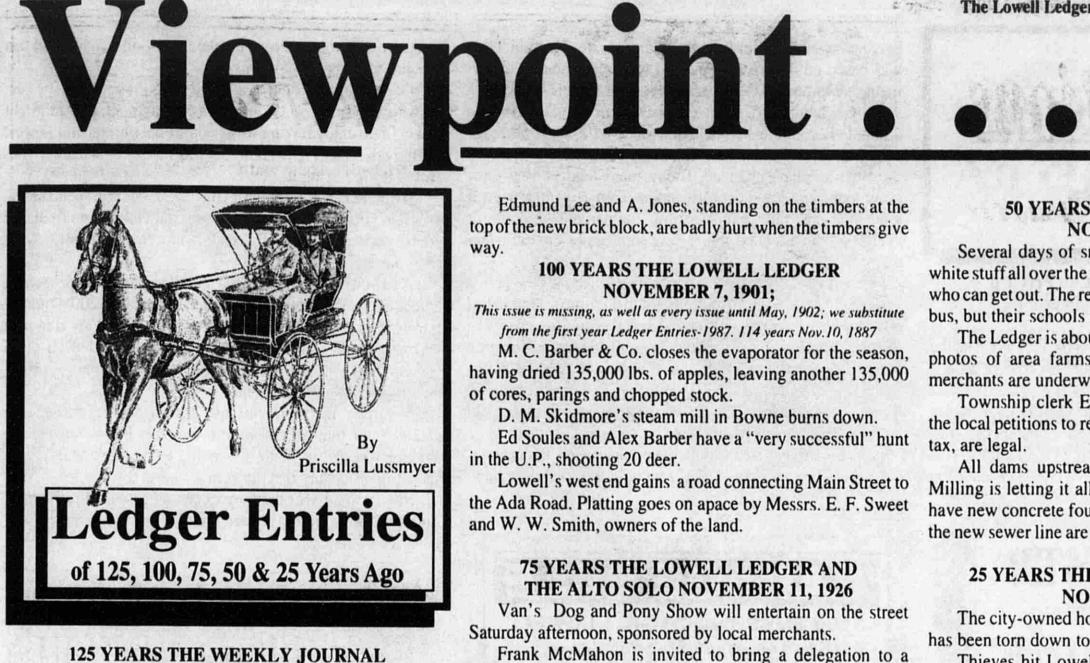
> Week of 11/12-11/16 ELEMENTARY Lunch: \$1.45 Milk \$.30 Peanut butter & jelly sandwich & chef's salad are also available daily as lunch options. MON: Soft shell chicken taco or cheeseburger on bun, peaches, baked beans.

> > TUES: Mini corndogs or BBQ grilled chicken on bun, dried fruit, tater tots.

> > WED: Cheesy crusty pizza or sloppy joe on beautiful bun, pears, green beans, trail mix w/cereal.

THURS: Sliced turkey w/gravy or baked ham slice, whipped potatoes, fruit mix, biscuit, pumpkin crunch.

FRI: Grilled cheese sandwich or submarine sandwich, tomato soup, fresh fruit choice, tossed salad.



NOVEMBER 8, 1876 This issue is missing; we substitute November 8, 1871

Cigars manufactured in Lowell are popular in Grand Rapids.

Twenty-one carloads of flour and apples were shipped between 1820 and 1830. from Lowell last week.

The Engleman Transportation Co. has offered to lay a submarine telegraphic cable across Lake Michigan from Milwaukee to Grand Rapids, at their expense.

There is plenty of clothing collected for fire relief for Chicago and Holland. What is needed now are building materials, farm equipment and supplies, and money.

Edmund Lee and A. Jones, standing on the timbers at the top of the new brick block, are badly hurt when the timbers give way.

100 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER NOVEMBER 7, 1901;

This issue is missing, as well as every issue until May, 1902; we substitute from the first year Ledger Entries-1987. 114 years Nov. 10, 1887 M. C. Barber & Co. closes the evaporator for the season, having dried 135,000 lbs. of apples, leaving another 135,000

of cores, parings and chopped stock. D. M. Skidmore's steam mill in Bowne burns down. Ed Soules and Alex Barber have a "very successful" hunt

in the U.P., shooting 20 deer. the Ada Road. Platting goes on apace by Messrs. E. F. Sweet and W. W. Smith, owners of the land.

75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER AND THE ALTO SOLO NOVEMBER 11, 1926

Van's Dog and Pony Show will entertain on the street Saturday afternoon, sponsored by local merchants.

Frank McMahon is invited to bring a delegation to a meeting of the Allegan Commercial Club to present the advantages of a city-owned electric light plant. M.N. Henry, E.B. Kniflin and Robert Hahn go with him. The first food canning was oysters, probably in Maryland

Mrs. Florence Booth explains the Salvation Army's work

in providing centers for unwed mothers.

The American Legion will sponsor "Circus Solly," "pretty, funny, dandy show" at City Hall next week, says the business supported ad taking most of four pages and also featuring the Red Cross.

reduced fee breakfasts and lunch programs available. Contact Lynn Kotarski, food service director, for more information to find out if you qualify.

Develop healthy habits and exercise. Schools are in the couple of weeks. Thank those who made the effort to lighten business of teaching students to learn skills to graduate from our lives at this rather somber time. high school and become productive members of society. I Appreciatively yours. would like them to become productive, healthy members of society. There are physical education classes that are taken by all students, and grade school recess is helpful for cardiovascular activity. But the Center for Disease Control and Preven-To the Editor: tion estimates that 13 percent of 6 to 11 year olds and 14 percent Thank you, Shannon Boggs. Your beautiful letter to the of 12-19 year olds are considered overweight, based on a editor in the Oct. 31 issue of the Ledger showed that someone formula that considered age, weight and height. Maybe Lowell 40 years my junior has far more wisdom and courage than I do. is much lower or maybe we are higher than the national Oct. 24 was not the first time Roger Brown spoke of Islam average. Wherever we might stand if our students were evaluand Middle Eastern people with extreme disrespect. A few ated, my point to students, parents and staff is to stay active and years ago. Brown wrote about the absurdity of Rama-lamatry to get on a regular exercise/cardiovascular workout schedding-dong, his mockery of the Islamic holy month of Ramadan.

There are many opportunities for students to stay active. from middle and high school team sports to other school clubs like the Alto Running Club. My concern with team sports is that there are only so many positions available and some students do not make the team and are cut. The students who fail to make a team need their parent's help and guidance to find another area of interest to help them stay physically fit and active. It does not need to be a school activity. Other options to look at include the YMCA, dance classes, Little League and youth football

Again, a mind is a terrible thing to waste but a body that does not exercise and eat right goes to waste. Maybe the MEAP test should test the four "Rs": Reading, wRiting, aRithmetic and Running. For the brain and body to work, they need a strong healthy heart. Make a positive change in your lifestyle for yourself, your family and for your healthy future.

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

REACTIVE AIRWAYS DISEASE

The flu season is coming. Fever, sniffles, nasal drainage, and cough are all familiar symptoms to the victims of the flu. But there are added symptoms which are not as familiar: wheezing and chest pressure. Normally, these symptoms are associated with asthma.

People with asthma have a disease which causes a restriction of the airway within the lungs. Shortness of breath and the feeling of breathing through a straw or the sensation of not being able to take an adequate breath are common when the bronchial tubes tighten. Some people have these symptoms daily while others suffer only occasional episodes. Asthma is controlled with a variety of medicines including inhalers and /or pills. But asthma is a continuing process that must be managed as a chronic condition. When a person develops these same symptoms in the face of a respiratory illness which is transient in nature, this is known as reactive airways disease.

Reactive airways disease is not considered a chronic condition. The symptoms develop as a result of some other underlying cause, such as the flu. The treatment is often identical to that used to control asthma; but the wheezing and chest pressure end when the respiratory illness is resolved. This is an important distinction because it means that the diagnosis in not asthma - even though the symptoms are the same in character as asthma, the duration is temporary.



For the next seven weeks each member of the Lowell Area Schools Board of Education will be writing their own "Sharing the Vision" commentary. I am James E. Reagan, DDS, a practicing dentist in Lowell for the past 17 years, beginning my third year on the school board, and I am a 1976 LHS graduate.

It is too bad that the state MEAP test does not measure physical fitness like it measures reading, writing and arithmetic. Maybe more students would spend less time watching "Survivor" and television shows and more time in the 100-yard dash, running up a flight of stairs or swimming one lap in a pool. A mind is a terrible thing to waste but a body that does not exercise and eat right goes to waste. As a healthcare provider, I would like to take this opportunity to encourage all parents, students and school staff to think of their lifestyle and make a positive change in it for themselves, for their family and for their healthy future.

Eat healthy food. I have to give a big plug to our excellent school lunch program. Parents, please have your children take advantage of the schools' hot lunches. It is hard to beat the cost of \$1.45 for an elementary lunch or \$1.60 at the high school. For some busy students it might be their only opportunity to receive all the essential food groups for a solid meal. Make sure you know what they eat at school and steer them away from junk food at home.

For parents who have financial needs, there are free and

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50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER NOVEMBER 8, 1951

Several days of snow and cold pile up 15 inches of the white stuff all over the midwest. Lowell holds school for those who can get out. The reason: very few grade-schoolers ride the bus, but their schools must operate to get state aid.

The Ledger is about to start the "Photo Farm Quiz," aerial photos of area farms for readers to guess owners. Many merchants are underwriting the costs.

Township clerk Esther Fahrni declares all signatures on the local petitions to repeal the recent increase in the state gas tax, are legal.

All dams upstream are holding back water and King Lowell's west end gains a road connecting Main Street to Milling is letting it all go, so the Christiansen buildings can have new concrete foundations poured. Buildings hooking to the new sewer line are also taking advantage of the low water.

25 YEARS THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER NOVEMBER 11, 1976

The city-owned house at the corner of Monroe and Avery has been torn down to make way for parking space. Thieves hit Lowell Granite, Western Auto, Hahn Hard-

ware and Cary's Dry Goods last Thursday overnight. Lowell schools operate on a \$4 million budget. The days of short board meetings once a month are long gone.

Deer are plentiful, so the hunting should be very good. A mini-census will be taken in this area in November about voter participation in the recent election.

TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

What a delight to see all the scruffy new residents loitering throughout the city. I haven't seen a crow in Lowell for a

Bonnie Grooters

He compared it to Groundhog Day. He pronounced this month of purification as absurd because the dates are determined by phases of the moon, exactly as Easter and Passover are chosen. His column was devoted to ridicule of Islam and ridicule of our then-President. Bill Clinton for recognizing the sacredness of this time for Muslims.

I was a coward and chose to remain silent. Given the events of Sept. 11. I am now more willing to stand up and defend America. I wave my flag and announce that. "This is America where people from all over the world are free to live and worship in safety and with respect." I'll defend your right to print bigotry. Roger Brown. but as Shannon Boggs. said. "Do not assume I share your prejudices."

Carolyn Medendorp

To the Editor:

I wholeheartedly agree with Ms. Boggs who was disgusted with Roger Brown's Cozy Corner article making unnecessary remarks about the possibility of anthrax being in his mail order. and other unfunny innuendoes. None of the events relating to Sept. 11 are remotely funny and aren't something to be joked about.

Since Roger Brown seems to live in a fantasy land all his own ... I'd like to tell him this is a serious situation that the wonderful USA is engaged in. In case he hasn't noticed, people are dying from anthrax and he is not the least bit funny.

And please, stop the whining ... enough already! Lots of people actually have something to "whine" about such as not having food, shelter, medicine to ease their pain, warm clothes or sanitary drinking water, to name a few. Armrests that don't fold up or not enough leg room on the plane or unhandy tray tables and oh, don't forget the bald head reclined in front of you ... such tragedies! Some people would give anything if this was their "whine" list. Give it a rest, Rog.

Ms. Boggs says she hopes future articles will make up for that wretched article. I wouldn't hold my breath! If you skip this section all together, you won't miss a thing.



Refinancing Mortgage Can Free Up Money For Investments

For much of this year, mortgage rates have fallen. And that gives you a significant opportunity - not only to save money. but also to boost your investments.

you must determine if refinancing your mortgage makes sense points to get a lower interest rate. for you. According to the rule of thumb, you shouldn't refinance unless your new interest rate will be at least one

percentage point lower than your current rate. That guideline was based on the costs associated with refinancing - settlement costs, appraisals, attorney's fees and "points" charged to you by a lender. (A point equals one percent of the loan amount. For example, one point on a \$100,000 mortgage would add \$1,000 to your refinancing charges.)

But times have changed. Today, many lenders offer zeropoint loans and low-cost refinancing. Consequently, even if your mortgage rate change is only one percentage point, or even less, you might be able to save some money by refinanc-

Obviously, to get a good mortgage rate, the fewest points and the lowest closing costs, you should do some research. But you also may have to go through several scenarios involving different combinations of rates and points. Keep in mind that the shorter your loan's duration, the more expensive points will be. So, if you think you'll be staying in your current home Before you begin counting your good fortune, however, for many more years, it may be worth it to you to pay additional

Once you've gone through the comparisons, the calculations and the paperwork, you'll be able to close your new.



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lower-cost mortgage. Now, the next question is, what will you do with your monthly savings?

Of course, you could easily find ways to spend this money. You might want to put it toward a car payment, or you might just want to enjoy having some additional purchasing power. On the other hand, you could put this money to work for you. How? By investing it.

By increasing the amount you invest, you can speed up the progress you make toward your important long-term financial goals, such as college for your children or a comfortable retirement

And you don't even have to use all your refinance money, either. Suppose your new mortgage saves you \$200 a month If you were to invest just half that amount in a tax deferred savings vehicle, such as an IRA, and you earned an eight percent annual rate of return, you would accumulate approximately \$57,000 after 20 years.

Naturally, the more you invest from your refinance, the greater your total accumulation may be. But whatever the 'amount you end up with, it's going to be more than if you hadn't invested any of your refinance money. So, try to answer that key question: Should I refinance?

as easily as they fall.

And don't wait too long - because interest rates can rise just





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the Grand River, making it the most direct route through Lowell and to the south. Trucks bound for Grand Rapids or points to the west on I-96 also use Foreman Road to Hudson Street and then west on M-21.

One way to decrease the number of trucks at the intersection is to redirect them west on Foreman and then south on Alden Nash to M-21. However, Foreman is not an all seasonal road. The cost for such an improvement is roughly \$100,000.

"The Kent County Road Commission would be happy to make Foreman an all seasonal road, as long as someone else pays the \$100.000." Swanson said.

Both Lowell Schools transportation director. Larry

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River Outreach Ministries. The cost is \$10.95. For every book sold. SI will go to the Flat River Outreach Ministries. The book will also be available at various locations during the annual Christmas Through Lowell (Nov. 16-18) event.

Any individual who brings in clothing or nonperishable food items to the Flat River Outreach Ministries will get \$1 off the book's purchase price.

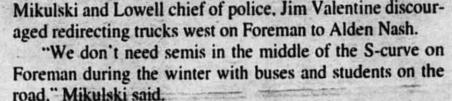
Beth Ball was one of those who responded and offered to help Morlock to ensure the book was finished. Ball (and her husband Greg) lost her son Josh Ford two years ago Nov. 7 in ' a car accident.

down my emotions and how I'm feeling from day to day was very good therapy." Ball said. "The other poems were also will feature a professional DJ, snacks, beverages, flowers and good to read and understand. The book is a legacy to Josh - a pictures. Cost is \$15 per couple, payable at the door. gift to him which expresses our love for him."

Morlock said the book, however painful, has been an act of love which has brought him comfort.

The book (2.500 copies), designed by Morlock, was printed by Amway.

After printing costs are covered. Morlock said proceeds will be used to provide winter coats, hats and gloves to area children in need.



Valentine added, "I side with Larry. With the crash history at that intersection (Foreman and Alden Nash), with students coming out of the school drive and down that hill, and semis turning south at Foreman, safety would be a concern of mine."

The council agreed unanimously that improving the Foreman/Hudson Street intersection was needed. "It's not some-



FATHER/DAUGHTER DANCE

The Lady Arrow Varsity Club is sponsoring a semiformal dance for all second and third grade girls and their "After receiving the letter. I thought why not. Writing father (or any other special male) on Wednesday, Nov. 7 from 6:30-8 p.m. at Cherry Creek Elementary. The evening p.m.

CHRISTMAS THROUGH LOWELL COMING SOON

Maps for the Christmas Through Lowell event, held on Nov. 16, 17 and 18, are available at Michael's Farm Market.

thing we should look at, we need to do something with it," said councilman, Don Green, The council asked that the city staff and planning commission look at all the options (e.g., widening radius, re-routing

traffic). Mikulski said the industries and schools already work together so that deliveries do not occur when buses are using

Foreman. "We want to be a good neighbor and are willing to help in any way we can. It's not realistic to think that all trucks could be re-routed to the west," said Litehouse's Susan Serne. "It's an extra 4.8 miles for a truck to be routed to the west even though it's heading to the M-50/I-96 expressway.

State Farm Insurance.

LOWELL FFA SALE Lowell FFA annual Fruit and Nut Sale is going on through Nov. 16. Please contact any FFA member or John Schut at 897-4125 to place an order.

CRAFT/BAKE SALE & LUNCHEON AT 1ST METHODIST CHURCH

Make one of your stops during the Christmas Through Lowell event the First United Methodist Church, 621 E. Main St. on Saturday, Nov. 17 from 9-3 p.m. There will be over 30 booths of homemade items for gift-giving and the home as well as a baked-goods sale to stock up for that Thanksgiving dinner, and a soup and sandwich luncheon from 11 a.m. - 1:30

SAVE THOSE NEWSPAPERS!!! Please help support the Lowell High School girls softball team by donating your newspapers. A drop-off truck is currently at the Lowell High School Red Arrow Stadium parking lot. Phone books may be dropped off also.



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Women of the Moose Donate to

\$125. The proceeds were presented to Lowell fire chief, Frank Martin for the Jones, project chairperson, and Jodi Reynolds.





PROCEEDINGS OF **CITY COUNCIL**

OF THE **CITY OF LOWELL**

For the Regular Meeting of MONDAY, October 15, 2001.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Blough and the City Clerk called Roll.

Present: Councilmembers Brubaker, Green, Shores and Mayor Blough.

Absent: Councilmember Myers.

Also Present: City Manager David Pasquale, City Clerk Betty Morlock, Chief of Police James Valentine, Planning Commissioner Jim Pfaller and Planning Commission Chairman Jim Hall, Police Officer James Hinton, Fire Chief Frank Martin, Lowell Light and Power and Cable TV General Manager Tom Richards and Lowell Light and Power and Cable TV Boardmember Norm Borgerson.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by BRUBAKER to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2001 regular meeting as written.

YEA: 4.

NAY: 0. ABSENT: 1

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Blough requested Item #12 - "Receipt of Foreman Road Truck Study" be placed after Item #1 "Presentation by Wayne Creelman" in the agenda for discussion.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES that the bills and accounts payable be allowed and the warrants issued.

YEA: 4. NAY: 0. ABSENT: 1.

MOTION CARRIED.

	BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	(10/15/01)	
	GENERAL FUND	\$116,230.50	
	MAJOR STREET FUND	2,174.29	
	LOCAL STREET FUND		
	DDA FUND		
	CITY HALL CONSTRUCTION FUND		
	AIRPORT FUND		
	WASTEWATER FUND	22.995.17	
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	DATA PROCESSING FUND		
	EQUIPMENT FUND		
	CURRENT TAX FUND		
	LEE FUND		
	LOOK FUND		

Item #1. PRESENTATION BY WAYNE CREELMAN, CANDIDATE FOR OFFICE OF STATE REPRESENTA-TIVE. 86TH DISTRICT. Wayne Creelman, who is running for State Representative, addressed the City Council concerning his campaign. The 86th District involves approximately 90 thousand residents encompassing the City of Walker, a small section of the City of Grand Rapids, Grand Rapids Township, Ada Township, East Grand Rapids, Grattan Township, Vergennes Township, Bowne Township, Lowell Township and the City of Lowell. This is a new district and will be effective as of January, 2002. At the moment, Creelman has been the only registered candidate. He was elected into public office, while residing in the State of Maine. It was in a fairly rural community, with some commercial and industrial districts. In many ways, the community was very similar to the City of Lowell

Creelman believed this was a unique opportunity due to it being an open seat. The primary election will take place on August 6, 2002. Creelman explained he is a fairly conservative, pro-life person and would be running as a Republican. He is a member of the NRA. Creelman also attends church at St. Roberts in Ada. Creelman works as a Medical Director and Executive Vice President at Pine Rest Hospital. He is also a psychiatrist.

Creelman resided in Maine for one year. While there, he visited approximately 4,000 homes and eventually won a seat on the City Council, due to his energy and passion to represent those on a municipal level. He expects to visit 16,000 homes prior to the Republican Primary on August 6, 2002.

A City resident inquired how long Creelman has lived in the area. Creelman responded three years.

The resident guestioned what Creelman thought should be done with the water in the Great Lakes. Creelman stated one of his legacies he left behind in Maine was the wet lands ordinance he established. This became the model ordinance for the State of Maine and the Environmental Protection Agency. Creelman is very concerned about the environment. He indicated he would be against the slant drilling in the Great Lakes.

The resident also inquired what Creelman's position was on water being distributed to a Perrier plant for bottling. to research before providing an opinion.

Another individual guestioned what Creelman would do for the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Many sportsmen would wish to have the monies received from hunting and fishing licenses go to the DNR fish and game, not to State parks or environmental clean up. Creelman responded the question was well stated and he would remember the suggestion.

Item #2. RECEIPT OF THE FOREMAN ROAD TRUCK STUDY. The City Council authorized a truck route study involving Foreman Road at its August 20, 2001 meeting being performed by Ed Swanson of Wade-Trim. The study was in response to a complaint presented by Garland Berry of 407 Foreman who expressed concern about truck traffic.

Swanson undertook traffic counts as well as interviewing residents Berry and Delores Alexander of 406 Foreman. Representatives from three industrial plants from the area were also consulted.

The study indicated the average daily volume of trucks utilizing Foreman Road east of Gee Drive to and from Hudson Street is reasonable for the street. It is recommended to continue allowing trucks to use this route into downtown Lowell and to the south. However, the industries should encourage trucks to use the west route to Item #4. 201 EAST MAIN (FORMERLY THE WHITE Alden Nash Avenue.

Copies of the letter from Wade-Trim will be forwarded to Garland Berry, Delores Alexander, the three affected industries as well as the Planning Commission.

the school buses and trucks were traveling down the road. She did not believe the intersection was large enough for the trucks to turn when a car was present.

Mayor Blough noted the report indicates this intersection was established during the 1960's when the Industrial District was allowed next to Residential Districts. a reasonable amount of traffic. City Manager Pasquale responded the intersection was reviewed from all perspectives, but also from volume.

Councilmember Green commented on the paragraph in the letter, which states "The trucks are running over the curbs at the intersection of Foreman Road and Hudson Street and are having difficulty making this turn. This turn requires a turning radius of at least 30 feet. The turning radius onto Hudson Street from Foreman Road is much less than 30 feet, therefore increasing the radius should be considered. Right of way maps would need to be obtained in order to determine the feasibility of an improvement in this location."

meeting to answer guestions such as these.

Phil Peterson of 604 N. Hudson believed at least a 50 foot turning radius was needed in order for a truck to turn off from Foreman Street. He stated more and more trucks have longer trailers.

Chief Valentine mentioned the study indicated the trucks observed were five axle trucks with a single trailer Councilmember Brubaker was unsure what the solution would be other than widening the curb. He suggested waiting a few weeks to determine if businesses are Liquor Control Commission. directing truck drivers to a different route.

Councilmember Shores noted some drivers are taking NAY: 0. the suggested route.

Councilmember Green understood the concerns of the neighborhood and believed the City needed to review the idea of widening the intersection or at least investigating the cost.

Shores was unsure how the size of trucks coming into Lowell could be restricted. She did not believe it would be very feasible.

Blough suggested Ed Swanson from Wade-Trim attend a future City Council meeting. Blough noted copies of the letter provided by Swanson

were available at City Hall for public review. Blough also requested the three individuals present tonight be notified when Swanson attends the City Council meeting.

Item #3. PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE AMEND-MENT REGARDING EXPANSION OF NON-CON-

FORMING RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES - PUBLIC HEARING. The Planning Commission reviewed the proposed ordinance amendment which allows expansion of residences, currently not meeting setback reguirements. Expansion is allowed as long as no other Creelman was unaware of this situation and would have new non-conformities are created. This could eliminate a number of variance requests.

> At the September 24 meeting, the Planning Commission recommended adoption of this zoning ordinance amendment

> City Manager Pasquale explained if a house currently has a five foot side yard setback and six feet is required. an addition could be provided which keeps the five foot limit intact. Currently, a homeowner would be required to seek a variance.

> He felt sorry for people who didn't qualify for a variance when all they really wanted to do was construct an addition and still remain in line with their home. Councilmember Shores believed this was a good idea and would eliminate many variances. Councilmember Green was also in agreement. This gives us an opportunity to increase the size and values of the homes in the City.

> IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by BRUBAKER to adopt the ordinance amendment regarding expansion of non-conforming residential structures as submitted YEA: 4. NAY: 0. ABSENT: 1.

MOTION CARRIED.

SWAN) -GILMORE ENTERPRISES -REQUEST FOR **ISSUANCE OF A CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE FOR A** BUSINESS OPERATING IN THE DOWNTOWN DE-VELOPMENT DISTRICT-PUBLIC HEARING. Alexander questioned if the study was carried out when Councilmember Brubaker noted he would abstain from discussion on this item because the law firm he works to represents Gilmore Enterprises. As mentioned at the last meeting, Gilmore Enterprises wishes to apply for a Class C Liquor License to the State of Michigan for those who operate businesses in a Development District. The Gilmores propose to renovate and open a restaurant and bar facility at 201 E. Main Berry questioned what Swanson meant when referring to Street, previously occupied by the White Swan. The Michigan Liquor Control Commission anticipates awarding up to ten DDA licenses late this year. In order to qualify, the Downtown Development Authority and City Council must adopt resolutions finding that the license would prevent further deterioration within the Development District and promote economic growth. At its October 1 meeting, the DDA unanimously adopted a resolution to approve and recommend a Michigan Liquor Control Commission Class C license. After a public hearing, the Council was requested to do likewise. If approved, the resolution would be forwarded to the LCC for consideration. Steve Boyer, Chief Operating Officer of Gilmore Enterprises, was present to answer any questions. Planning Commissioner Jim Pfaller was in support of Pasquale suggested Swanson be present during a future Gilmore Enterprises. They provide quality operations and the restaurant would be an asset to the downtown district.

> Councilmember Shores also believed it would be a great addition

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to approve the request for issuance of a Class C Liquor License for business operating in a Downtown Development District and submit a resolution to the Michigan YEA: 3.

ABSTAIN: 1. (Brubaker) ABSENT: 1. (Myers) MOTION CARRIED

Blough believed the type of facility being offered goes directly to supporting the strategies we have had to maintain a strong Central Business District

Councilmember Brubaker returned to the meeting.

Item #5. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS. 751 Grindle - Howard Acheson, Jr. - lot width variance to allow split - establish public hearing date (11/5). Howard Acheson proposed to split an 8.89 acre parcel to allow an additional single family home. Since the property has a lot width of 123 feet along the front lot line, a variance is needed. In order to split within the Suburban Residential District each parcel must have 165 feet. This cannot be accomplished.

Councilmember Brubaker believed this was a great idea.

Commission will provide a recommendation at its October 22 meeting.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to set a public hearing for November 5, 2001 to consider a lot width variance to allow a split at 751 Grindle as submitted by Howard Acheson, Jr. YEA: 4.

NAY: 0. ABSENT: 1 MOTION CARRIED.

Item #6. FLAT RIVER WATER MAIN CROSSING -CONSIDERATION OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 AND FINAL PAYMENT. The Flat River Water Main Crossing project is being closed out. To this end, a final change order and payment needs to be processed with Nagel Construction. As noted in engineer Steve Nichols' letter of September 28, 2001, the final change order covering items constructed but not included in the original contract or previous change orders amounts to \$20,462. The final price for this improvement will be \$186,977 or \$258 less than the amount approved by the City Council.

The final payments of \$39,183.50 to Nagel will have \$5,956.05 deducted for all additional engineering fees associated with extending the contract time frames.

This has been reviewed by Nichols, Public Works Director Dan DesJarden, Water Distribution Supervisor Bob Robinson and City Manager Pasquale

It was recommended the Council approve the change order and final payment with Nagel closing out the project. 1 T213

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by BRUBAKER to approve the Change Order No. 3 and the Final Payment for the Flat River Water Main Crossing Project as proposed. YEA: 4. NAY: 0. ABSENTiator anomia protocon to date

MOTION CARRIED.

em #7. FIRE DEPARTMENT PUMPER/TANKER PUR-**HASE - CONSIDERATION OF BID SOLICITATION** AND FINANCING. Fire Chief Frank Martin has rejuested approval to solicit bids for the purchase of a new pumper/tanker replacing the 1979 fire apparatus. The cost estimate for the pumper/tanker is calculated at \$275,000.

vided a \$100,000 grant toward the purchase of the truck. Also, funds have been set aside with the City of Lowell (\$20,000), Lowell Township (\$20,000) and Vergennes Township (\$25,000).

Thus, approximately \$110,000 would need to be financed, most likely through a lease purchase program, being paid by the three jurisdictions.

Council approval was requested for solicitation of bids and providing financing for the pumper/tanker. Councilmember Brubaker guestioned why Vergennes Township is contributing \$25,000 whereas the City of Lowell and Lowell Township are only contributing \$20,000. City Manager Pasquale explained Martin had asked both Vergennes and Lowell Township how much would currently be available for the truck. These were the amounts provided. However, these are not necessarily the final

totals. Blough inquired if bids would be sought for the 1979 tanker. Martin responded yes.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to approve the consideration of bid solicitation and f nancing for a Fire Department pumper/tanker. YEA: 4.

NAY: 0. ABSENT: 1 MOTION CARRIED

Item #8. UPGRADE OF BULLETPROOF VESTS. Police Chief Valentine explained federal standards recommend upgrading or replacing bullet proof vests every five years, if worn on a regular basis. The Police Department wished replacement early in the cycle in order to supply the part time officers with newer vests. The ones currently being worn were very old.

In addition to the General Fund, the Federal Government will reimburse up to 50 percent of the cost. Valentine also noted he applied to the Lowell Area Community Fund and was given the equivalent of what Federal Government would provide (\$1762).

The model of vest selected by the officers is the XTX 2 safe estimates and could be less.

ing the construction on the second floor. Smith responded it would be fairly easy to defer and return at a over \$460.000. This would simplify the window design, saving over \$40,000. which would allow Pasquale to direct FTC&H to make continue to review the financing. Discussion will also continue with selected focus groups and input from the community will be solicited. By general consensus, the Council agreed. No further information was provided. Item #11. MONTHLY REPORTS. Councilmember Green stated the total amount accounted toward zoning regulations enforcement was 24 hours for a total of

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS City Manager Pasquale recommended a public hearing Body Armor Vests. Metropolitan Uniform in Detroit, Councilmember Brubaker questioned the cost of delaybe set for November 5 before the ZBA. The Planning Michigan and Superior Uniform in Toledo, Ohio, were sent invitations to bid. Superior Uniform indicated the firm would not be submitting the day before the bids were later time. The interior walls and finishes would be the due. Therefore, the bid from Metropolitan Uniform was only part delayed. the only one received. The Police Department has worked with Metropolitan on a regular basis and is very Pasquale noted there would be a substantial savings of satisfied It was noted Federal reimbursement (\$1233) should be Smith explained there is also consideration of eliminating within 25 days of purchase. The Police Equipment Fund the brick on the part of the building, which faces the alley. expense is \$755. IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by BRUBAKER to purchase six bulletproof vests for the Blough asked if there was a consensus from the Council Lowell Police Department from Metropolitan Uniform Company at a cost of \$3750 with contributions from the these changes to the plan as discussed. Pasquale will Federal Government, Lowell Area Community Fund and Police Equipment Fund. YEA: 4. NAY: 0. ABSENT: 1 MOTION CARRIED Mayor Blough made a note of thanks to the Lowell Community Fund who played a substantial role in the purchase of the vests for the Police Department and the \$1,080 pumper/tanker for the Fire Department.

> Item #9. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED ORDI-STRUCTION WORK RELATED TO ELECTRIC POWER City Attorney Richard Wendt, Lowell Light and Power ted a purchase agreement to Grand Rapids Gravel for the purchase of property on Bowes Road for a new substation. However, there were some additional requirements which needed to be met in order for the site to be suitable. First, additional soil needs to be placed in Richards explained a certain amount of fill is allowed. However, beyond this, the DEQ requires fill to be bought on the flood plain so the contour of the floodplain is not three years with no complaints received. totally changed.

An easement is also necessary to allow for delivery of transformers and a lay down area for materials and equipment.

However, he asked he be designated the contractor to supply the concrete for construction as well as the On October 8, the Lowell Area Community Fund pro- excavation contractor to provide the necessary fill. The fill would come from the adjacent land which Dykema owns. Richards noted services will be provided at competitive rates.

> According to Wendt, contractors must be chosen by competitive bid unless it is approved by the City Council. Wendt also indicated a public hearing was not necessarv

> BRUBAKER to approve the ordinance amendment exempting certain construction work related to the electric power substation from competitive bid requirements of City Charter.

YEA: 4. NAY: 0. ABSENT: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

Item #10. CITY HALL - POLICE STATION PROJECT UPDATE. As a follow up to discussion held at the October 8 City Council work session, several financial scenarios for the City Hall - Police Station project were assembled. One scenario would give a total of 4.5 million dollars (after deducting previous land acquisition costs and providing for investments). The initial millage would be 3.7, then increasing to 3.9 and then decreasing over a 30-year program, eventually to less than one mill.

There have been some initial discussions with the DDA where funds could be provided at a lower millage rate. There have also been considerations about deferring the second floor of the City Hall and eliminating the ambulance garage addition. The asbestos and lead paint removal estimate was high so this will also help in lowering the costs. Additionally, the common area corridor could be decreased in size bringing the total cost to IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 9:13 p.m. 4.5 million dollars or even lower.

It was noted the cost estimates provided by Fishbeck Thompson, Carr and Huber (FTC&H) are viewed at as

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Item #12. CITIZEN COMMENTS. Water Treatment Plant Superintendent George Regan reported to the NANCE AMENDMENT EXEMPTING CERTAIN CON- Council concerning the project which took place at the plant regarding the excavation of a lime pond by O.E. SUBSTATION FROM COMPETITIVE BID REQUIRE- Bieri and Sons. The project was completed in a third of MENTS OF CITY CHARTER. With the assistance of the expected time. Not only was it done quickly, no one would even have known they had been there. The and Cable TV General Manager Tom Richards submit- company did a fabulous job and should be commended.

Phil Peterson received a notice concerning the ordinance on RV's. He questioned when the ordinance was passed. Also, considering he does not have an RV. Peterson wondered why he received the letter. He read order to meet the flood plain requirements from Michigan the definition of an RV as "a recreational vehicle, a van or Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ). The utility van used for recreational purposes such as camplocation is below the level of the 100-year flood plain. ing and often equipped with living facilities." Peterson stated he has a fishing boat in his yard and it is not equipped with living facilities. It has been there for over

The ordinance states all vehicles shall be placed completely within a closed building. He noted a boat is not a vehicle. Peterson read the definition of a vehicle stating "a convenience for transport on wheels, runners or Andrew Dykema as owner agreed to the conditions. tracks, such as a cart, slip, auto or tracker."

Mayor Blough explained a month or so ago a number of zoning ordinance violations were discussed. The letter received was from our Zoning Enforcement Officer who is contracted through IMS. Blough suggested Peterson establish an appointment with IMS to discuss the letter

Item #13. COUNCIL COMMENTS. Councilmember Green suggested the cost for the Zoning Enforcement Officer be reviewed again.

Councilmember Shores believed this indicated the resi-IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by dents of Lowell do not understand the ordinances and have never been approached on this before. She felt this needed to be reviewed again.

> Mayor Blough stated the Chamber of Commerce sponsored the scarecrow contest.

> Item #14. MANAGER'S REPORT. City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:

A. The following meetings minutes were provided:

 Downtown Development Authority meetings of Sep tember 20 and October 1, 2001 Airport Board meeting of September 11, 2001

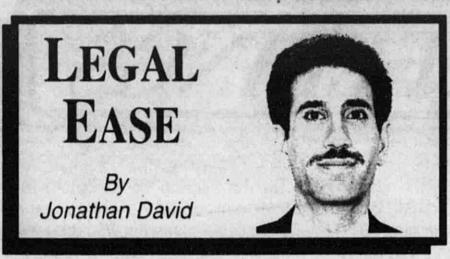
•Chamber of Commerce meeting of September 12, 2001

Trick or Treat hours for Halloween are on Wednesday October 31 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Councilmember Green questioned the Chamber of Commerce meeting minutes. He noticed there was an item regarding a candidates forum and asked if this was being organized. Pasquale responded the Chamber has had some time constraints recently and thought another group would handle this.

DATE APPROVED: Monday, November 5, 2001

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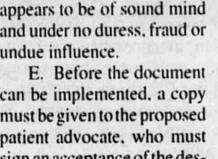
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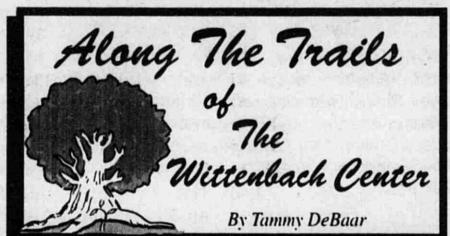
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The Agriscience and Environmen- community offerings and tal Center and Wege Natural Area has celebrated its first year. As we look back, we

CITY OF LOWELL FALL LEAF PICKUP PROGRAM

Starting the first full week of October, leaves will be picked up weekly. You must purchase leaf bags at the same locations as the trash bags:

> City Hall Family Fare

November 27

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November 28

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

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Wittenbach recall lots of work projects. workshops for teachers and other members of the community. We also saw over 6.200 students use the facility and learn about everything from plants, soil, wildlife habitat to water resources, life cycles and mapping.

This year, by mid-October, we welcomed almost 2,000 students, including those from the inner city. It was a great opportunity for the Lowell students to share the woods, creek and animals with these students.

Other changes have taken

patient's patient advocate.

Neither the durable power of attorney for health care nor the acceptance of the designation have any notarization requirements. Further, the acceptance of the designation form does not have any witness requirements.

Once the durable power of attorney for health care has care, you should have a sepabeen executed by the patient and accepted and executed of attorney which deals with by the patient advocate, it your assets and financial must be made part of the matters.

place as well. There are now over two miles of trails that

are open for hikers. snowshoers and cross-country skiers. These trails hosted a great 5k-trail run that wound through the Native Prairie and through the wildflowers. Furthermore, the animal science building is now being shared by Suffolk Ewes and steer along with the rainbow trout.

We look forward to winter and the great opportunities it brings in the outdoors. There is a great chance of seeing tracks of turkeys, deer. coyote, ruffed grouse and other critters. The fallen leaves provide a great view of the creek from the ridge on the North Trail, and there will soon be snow for

snowshoeing. We hope to see you out here for one of the following programs:

Saturday, Dec. 1: Trout Unlimited junior fishing conservation club meets

DIABETES and the COMPLICATIONS Lifestyle Health Seminar Series Sunday, November 11 4:00 - 6:00 PM

> LOCATION: Forest Hills Aquatic Center, 600 Forest Hills Avenue (Between M-21 & Cascade)

Topic: Lifestyle Medicine "Reversing Diabetes and the Complications"

"The only hope for decreasing insulin resistance, diabetes and the resulting complications requires the integration of lifestyle medicine. The weight comes off, the neuropathy reverses and even the unexpected complications can be significantly improved, including retinopathy and diabetic ulcers. This presentation will enable you to really understand the real issues and the proper priorities of care for healing solutions." Dr. Bruce R. Hyde, MD

Dr. Bruce R. Hyde, MD serves as Medical and Lifestyle Director at the Battle Creek Lifestyle Health Center. Dr. Hyde is a 1986 graduate of Loma Linda University School of Medicine, emphasizing Lifestyle Medicine. Dr. Hyde conducts International consulting with a special emphasis in Diabetes prevention and reversal

Registration at the door. Cost: Free Sponsored by Riverside Fellowship of Seventh-day Adventists, 676-0408

his or her physician before it can be implemented. If the record at that facility.

will provide free fly tying. (R.S.V.P. required). Farm photography exhibit. 9-6 p.m.; continues on Sunday, Dec. 2 from 10-2 p.m.; Dec. 3-7 from 8-3 p.m.: Dec. 8 from 10-2 p.m. and

Dec. 10 from 4-8p.m. \$25 cash prize. Photos must be properly mounted and ready to hang. Please deliver by Wednesday, Nov. 21 at 3 p.m.

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Holiday luminary walk from 2-6 p.m. Snowshoes provided for rental (\$10 adult and \$5 kids).

Saturday, Dec. 8: Nature holiday craft workshop 9-12 p.m. Cost is \$20 payable in advance.

- · Farm photo exhibit continues 10-2 p.m. (see above).
- Snowshoes available for rent 9-2 p.m.

Please call 987-1002 to register.

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Notices in The Ledger's "Coming Events" are free of charge in the Lowell, Ada, Alto, and Saranac areas. We prefer come 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. For meeting dates and times call 897-5015. Guests are welcome.

EVERY MON .: Lowell **High School Fellowship of** Christian Athletes and Friends - meets from 7-8:30 p.m. in members homes. See poster in high school cafeteria or cal 676-1355 for details.

SECOND MON. OF EACH MONTH: Fallasburg Historical Society holds its monthly board meeting in the meeting room of Englehardt Library at 7 p.m. Public invited.

SECOND MON. OF EACH MONTH: The Lowell Board of Education meets at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, former Runciman Elementary. 300 High Street.

SECOND MON. OF EACH MONTH: The Bowne Township Historical Society holds its regular meetings at the Historical Museum at 84th and Alden Nash, 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 V.F.W. Clubroom, 307 E. Main St., Lowell, 7:30 p.m.

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

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

TUES .: Flat River Woodcarvers meet at to any nonprofit organization LAAC from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. New members wel-

> 1ST TUES .: Adults with 1247 for info. AD/HD at Calvin College,7-9 p.m. No cost. All welcome. For info. call Gary Engle at 897-6325 or 248-2423.

1ST TUES .: WINGS Par- Schneider Manor, 725 Call Kathy at 642-6316/ ent Group meetings from Bowes Rd. 7:30 to 9 p.m., usually in Board Room at 300 High St. Business meetings are on odd months & program meetings on even months. Open to any interested parents.

EVERY SECOND & 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. or 12:45 EVERY THIRD THURS .: der. FOURTH TUES .: Knights to 1:45 p.m. Call Sister Col- Parents Supporting Parof Columbus #7719 meetings at St. Mary School, 7:30 p.m.

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 1ST & 3RD TUES .: Rapids. Call 897-9794. Lowell Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Look Memo- EVERY WED .: Overeaters rial Fire Station, S. Hudson. Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. at EVERY THIRD THURS .:

EVERY 3RD TUES .: Par- Church, 7495 Cascade Rd. ents of children with AD/ HD Issues Group meeting dues, no weigh-ins. at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 32156 4 Mile NE (& E. Beltline) at 7 p.m. For info., call Linda at 874-5662. For teen group info., call Sarah 281-6588.

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

EVERY OTHER WED .: New members are invited 6:45-8:45 p.m. G.E.M.S. to join at any time. Call 1-Girls Club - Calvary Chris- 800-651-6000. tian Reformed Church. Girlsages 8-13. 897-8694. EVERY THURS. - St.

EVERY WED .: Pioneer Center, 402 Amity St., non-Clubs 6:30-8 p.m. Ever- denominational help for green Missionary Church, 10501 Settlewood Dr. Children ages 4 thru 7th grade. Call 897-5894 for details.

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

EVERY WED.: Rotary meets at noon at Lowell Masonic Temple.

EVERY WED .: The "Pep- 897-1502 after 5 p.m. pers" (senior adults) meets at Franciscan Life Process Center from 1-3:30 p.m. \$10 per week. Transportation available. Call Pat 897-7842.

Kentwood Library, 4799 2700 E. Fulton. Kalamazoo Ave. SE at 1

EVERY SECOND WED .: School. Choir: 6:30 - 7:30 G.F.W.C. Lowell Women's p.m.; Band: 7:30-8:15 p.m. of each month at 8 p.m. Club meets at 12 p.m. in Christmas Concert Dec. the community room at 1,2. New members invited

EVERY FOURTH WED .: EVERY Elderly volunteers needed THURS .: Lowell V.F.W. to participate in the Auxiliary #8303 meets at Intergenerational program 3:30 p.m. at the V.F.W. with school-age children Post, 307 W. Main St., Lowfrom Lowell in seasonal ell. activities. Times available:

velopment 897-7842. EVERY FOURTH WED .: 7842 for time.

Support group for Periph-

Forest Hills Presbyterian LaLeche League of Ada, (at 36th St.) No fees, no

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

ers meets at Lowell Nazarene Church, 201 N. Washington, at 5:30 and the Averill Historical Mu-7 p.m. Registration begins 1/2 hour before meetings.

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

FIRST THURS .: 4-H drama club examines theater-related topics, creative and personal development skills. Meetings held at Lowell Middle School choir room. For information call

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 SECOND WED .: EVERY 2ND THURS .: Grand Rapids Machine N.A.R.F.E. meets 1:30 p.m. Knitters Club meets at at Trinity Lutheran Church,

p.m. Call Sara Coates 365- EVERY THURS .: Saranac Community and Area Music Makers at Saranac High 897-5981 for info.

leen Ann Nagle, F.S.E. at ents-support group at the Franciscan Child De- Franciscan Life Process Center, Center offers topics and discussion for parents of children all ages. Call 897-

eral neuropathy meets at 4 EVERY THIRD THURS .: p.m. at St. Paul's Anglican Royal Arch Masons regu- United Methodist Church Church, 2560 Lake Michi- lar meeting at 7:30 p.m. at at 3189 Snow Ave. SE will gan Dr. N.W., Grand the Lowell Masonic Center, 119 Lincoln Lake, Lowell. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. Adults \$7; 5-12,

> Cascade & Lowell meets at 6:30 p.m. for socializing: meeting at 7 p.m. Mother to mother support for pregnant & breastfeeding women. Nursing children are welcome to attend. Located at a church in Ada. Please call 752-7524 for more information.

> SECOND SAT. OF EV-ERY MONTH: The Ada Historical Society meets at seum of Ada, 7144 Headley at 1 p.m.

SECOND THURS. OF EACH MONTH: Genealogy - The Alto Family Tree Club meets at Alto Public Mary's Pregnancy Crisis 'Library from 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

> SECOND SAT.: Lowell Amateur Radio Club meets at the west end of Lowell High School. 9 a.m. social gathering; 10 a.m. meeting. LARC sponsors the 145.27 MHz area radio repeater system.

> EVERY FRI. & SAT.: Averill Historical Museum of Ada at 7144 Headley is open from 1 to 4 p.m. Open other times by appointment. Call 676-9346.

> LOWELLAREA HISTORI-CAL MUSEUM HOURS: Tues., Sat. & Sun.: 1-4 p.m. Thurs., 1-8 p.m. Families: \$5; adults: \$3; 5-17; \$1.50; free/members & under 5.

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COMINGEVENTS

ENGLEHARDT LI-BRARY HOURS: Mon.-Wed., 12-8 p.m.; Thurs. & Fri.: 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sat.: 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE: Business meeting held the third Monday

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

> NOW THRU NOV. 16: Lowell FFA annual Fruit & Nut Sale. Call any FFA member or John Schut at 897-4125 to place an or-

WED., NOV. 7: Wittenbach Center will host a wild turkey workshop for educators from 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. Free Call 987-1002 to RSVP.

WED., NOV. 14: Snow be a resident of the twp.) serve a family turkey & dressing dinner starting at \$2.

THURS., NOV. 15: The Fallasburg Historical Society will hold its annual Fall Banquet at the Lowell Middle School. Dinner for members is \$8.50 Program: Abe Lincoln as speaker. To reserve your spot, call 897-0849 by Nov. 14.

NOV. 16, 17, 18: Annual Christmas Through Lowell. Maps are available at Michael's Farm Market, Cousin's Hallmark, Dream Pieces Touch of Country, State Farm Insurance.

SAT., NOV. 17: Craft/ baked goods sale and luncheon (11a.m.-1:30 p.m.) at 1st United Methodist Church, 621 E. Main St. in Lowell from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. In conjunction with Christmas Through Lowell.

FRI., NOV. 30: Flu shots given to all (don't have to at Grattan Township Hall from 9-11 a.m. Cost: \$15/ or bring Medicare card and Medicare will be billed direct. Twp. office #691-8450.



WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR 897-5949

MON .: 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall. TUES .: 8:30 a.m. Walk at

Voodland Mall. WED .: 12:30 Shop at Family Fare.

SPECIAL EVENTS

WED., NOV. 7: 8 a.m. Co-ed Breakfast; 9:30 Blood Pressure: 12:40 Shop Family Fare.

THURS., NOV. 8: 12:40 .m. Lowell Area Historical Museum, cost \$3.

FRI., NOV. 9: Noon, Birthday Party, Bingo.

MON., NOV. 12: 12:40 p.m. Cribbage; shop at Family Fare.

TUES., NOV. 13: 12:40 Lunch at Alto School, \$2.50 & tour new gym. Bible Study at Ctr.

WED., NOV. 14: 10:45 a.m. Nails by Sharon; noon: Movie in G.R. "Citizen Kane."

THURS .: 9 a.m. Walk/ Shop at the Malls: 9:30 a.m. Crafts; 1 p.m. Eu-

FRI .: 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall

THURS., NOV. 15: Noon. dance at West Side Complex.

FRI., NOV. 16: 12:40 Shop at Aldi's & Wal*Mart.

MON., NOV. 19: 12:40 Shop at G.R. Meijer and K-Mart.

TUES., NOV. 20: 7:20 McDonald's at Rockford for Breakfast and Countr Music; 12:40 Bible Study

WED., NOV. 21: 10 a.m. Advisory Council; 12:40 Shop Family Fare.

THURS. & FRI., NOV. 22 & 23: Center closed for Thanksgiving holiday.

Opportunities missed in Red Arrows' 16-14 district final loss to EGR

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell football coach. Noel Dean didn't have the words carrying on the tradition of East football. to take away the sting that comes with a 16-14 district final

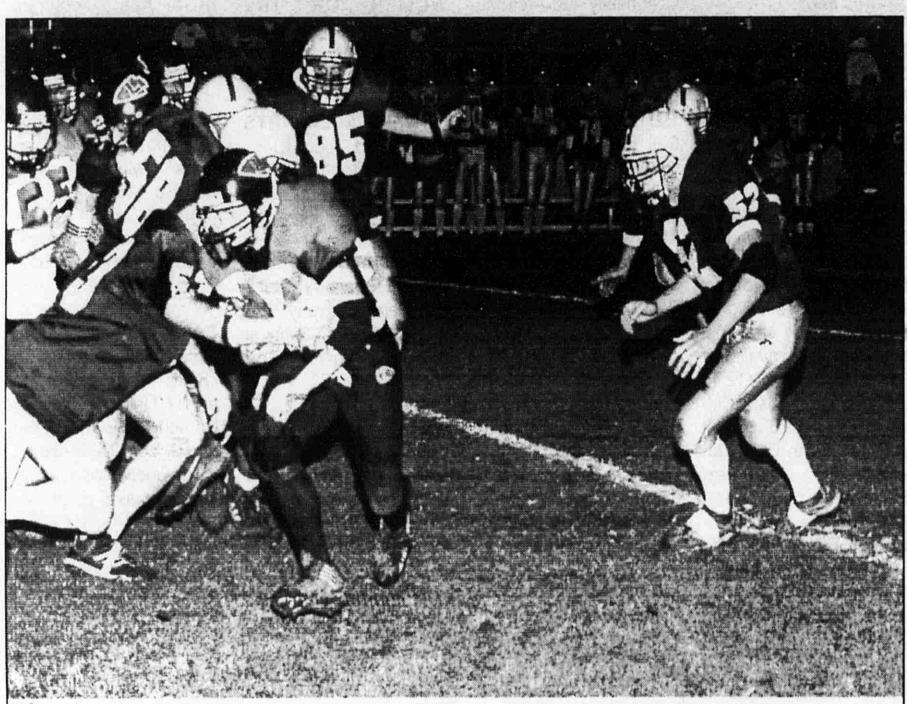
"There's nothing I can say to make any one of our guys that tradition into the regional this week. feel better." Dean explained. "Someone's gotta win and someone's gotta lose."

East Grand Rapids' football coach. Peter Stuursma talked Stuursma said

to his winning Pioneers about taking advantage of the opportunity to play in a classic high school football game and

A Kevin Brady one-yard touchdown run with 6:16 to play gave the Pioneers a two-point lead and an opportunity to carry

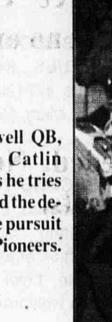
"Our boys did not panic after Lowell grabbed the lead. They showed a lot of resolve in causing two fumbles."



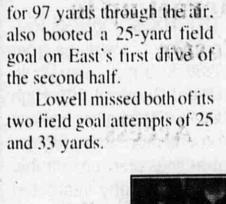
Lowell running back Nick Onan finds a hole in the EGR defense during Friday's district final at East Grand Rapids. The Pioneers won the contest 16-14.



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On the EGR winning

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Stuursma smiling afterwards

was a fourth and 11 at the

Lowell 25. Tom Cook con-

nected with Adrian

Lineberger over the middle

for 19 yards to the Lowell six.

"They had a linebacker on

him and he was wide open."

Cook, who was 4-of-12

Stuursma explained.

down plays.

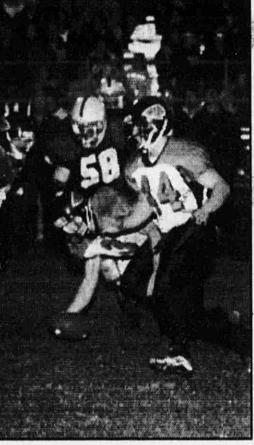
The Red Arrows took their only lead (14-10) of the contest in the third quarter on a Mark Catlin 71-yard touchdown run on third and one from the Lowell 29.

Lowell's opening two possessions of the fourth quarter were not as fruitful ... the Red Arrows fumbled the ball away on both occasions.

The defense held the first time, but could not stop the Pioneers following the second fumble.

Lowell's final opportunity came with 2:55 to play from its own 20. Two first downs moved the chains to the East 48.

> On fourth and five from Football, cont'd pg. 16



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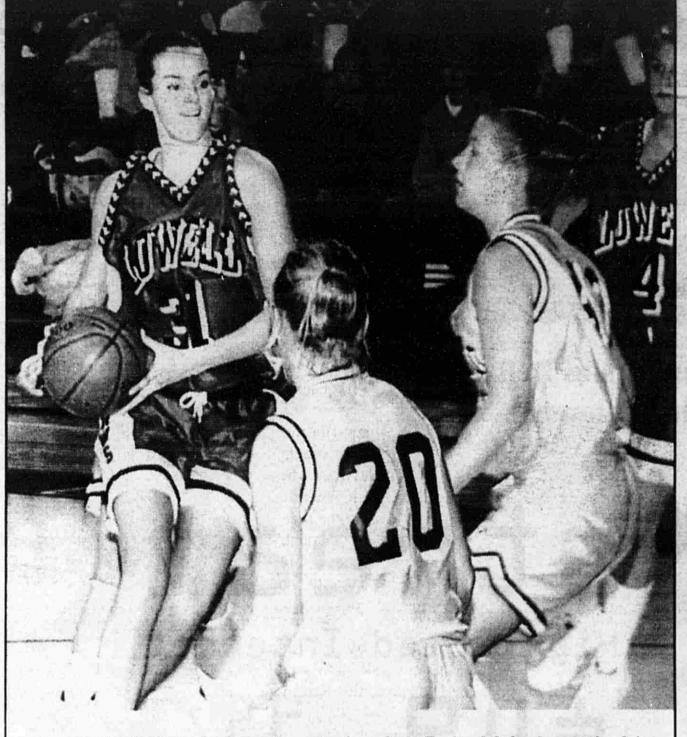
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Lowell's Leslie Crowley draws the attention of two Zeeland defenders as she drives into the lane. Crowley scored 31 points in Lowell's 54-41 win over Zeeland.

Football, cont'd... From Page 14

the Pioneer 43, the Red Arrows were called for holding on a Catlin run which would have garnered a first down. Then, on fourth and 15, a Catlin pass fell incomplete post-season journey

"Both teams had a lot of opportunities. They had a couple of turnovers early, and we had a couple late." Dean said. "We came in here hoping to win against East Grand Rapids which has been the yards

mecca of football in West Michigan. It's not like they the final minute of the first just started winning: they've half when Catlin rolled to his been winning football games right, avoiding pressure, and for 30 years.

and with it the Red Arrow right out of the shoot as they touchdown. marched 80 yards in 10 plays. nine rushing, with Grady scoring from the two. Grady finished the game with 109 yards rushing and two touchdowns. His backfield partner; Joe 9-2. Gritter finished with 100

That score held up until hit Brad Eldridge on a 39-East grabbed a 7-0 lead yard crossing pattern for a

> Catlin was 9-of-19 through the air for 136 yards and he led all ball carriers with 137 yards rushing. Lowell ends its season at

East, 11-0, will host

Fruitport on Saturday.

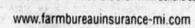


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Lowell's defense and Crowley's offense too much for Zeeland

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Leslie Crowley was feeling good and that proved bad for Zeeland.

And it showed, as the unior pumped in a career high 31 points as Lowell bumped off Zeeland 54-41 Thursday night in claiming its first outright O-K White Conference title since 1993. The Red Arrows shared the league title with Zeeland last

"It's the best I've felt in over a year," Crowley said afterwards. The Red Arrow has been battling back from

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off-season knee surgery throughout the year. If her performance against the Chix is any indication, Crowley will be at 100 percent when district play begins.

"I hope so," concurred Lowell girls basketball coach, Dee Crowley. "Leslie is finally getting into basketball condition and her play is just now coming around. I think getting her out of the post has helped. She's getting the ball in her hands more and that's helpful even if she doesn't shoot."

from the perimeter and from



16 second half points.

the paint. The forward hit three 3's in the first quarter on her way to a 16-point first-half performance. She netted 15 second-half points on mainly \$5.00 Students & Late Shows Fri & Set \$5.75 Evenings Mon - Thurs ALLIGGREENS drives to the basket. "I was pleased with the team's play against a good,

athletic team like Zeeland's. It's a significant win in that we won't be sharing the title this



year," Crowley said. While the Lowell coach had a few concerns about her club's defensive play in the first half, Zeeland coach, Bob Rilley thought the Red Arrow defense, especially in the second half, was the difference.

"I felt good being down four at half. In the second half we had to work so hard to get anything offensively. Lowell's defense stymied us. I know they take great pride in their defense," Rilley explained. "Lowell has a great Crowley was effective team and they played well tonight. At the same time,

Lowell's Kendra Gallert pressures her Zeeland counterpart in the backcourt. Lowell's defense held the Chix to

I'm happy with the way our girls are playing now against quality opponents."

The win improved Lowell's league record to 11-0. It closes out its regular season against Hudsonville. The win ran the Red Arrows' winning streak to 16 and their overall record to 17-1.

LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS COMMUNITY MEETING

The Lowell Area Schools will be conducting a Community meeting to discuss and answer any questions due to the recent decision to delay construction of a new elementary school and addition to the high school.

COMMUNITY MEETING REGARDING CONSTRUCTION DELAY Thursday, November 8, 2001 • 7:00 P.M.

Lowell Area Schools - Runciman Admin. Building - Board Room **300 High Street, Lowell, MI**

Your attendance at this meeting would be welcomed.

Basketball camp focuses on shooting technique

A Shooting and Offensive Moves Clinic and varsity basketball players. st Saturday, for Lowell basketball players in hooting mechanics.

shooting mechanics because young kids are am ecstatic that with so many things going not strong enough to properly shoot from that on, 70 kids made a commitment to be at the distance," said Lowell boys basketball coach. clinic." Jeff McDonald. "Thus, they resort to pushing the ball from their hip or using both hands ... shooting strap (helps to develop perfect mewhich leads to bad habits which are difficult chanics), a T-shirt which is good for free to break."

The clinic garnered 70 boys at Lowell 14-page shooting manual which includes High School from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. Helping drills and ideas for properly practicing shoot-McDonald at the clinic were staff members ing.

"The goal was to offer an instructional

rades three through eight, emphasized proper camp so that each kid learned not only how to properly shoot the basketball but also how to "The three-point line has resulted in poor properly practice," McDonald explained. "

Each participant was given a star shooter admission to each varsity home game, and a

Lowell soccer team loses thriller in shootout

The inability to finish during a dominating second half performance came back and bit Lowell boys soccer team as they fell to Fenton 1-0 in a shootout in a Region II soccer semifinal at Eaton Rapids High School.

"We dominated the second half but failed to put the ball in the net," said Lowell coach, Mike Lincolnhol, following a hard fought game which saw Lowell get shut

this season. "This was a very tempt hard game for our seniors to lose. They gave everything they had tonight.'

The two teams battled to a scoreless tie through regulation and two 15-minute overtime periods.

In the shootout, Fenton allstate goalie, Adam Russell stopped shots by Jeff Herrald and Mike Kinney after getting beat by Lowell's Sam many years.

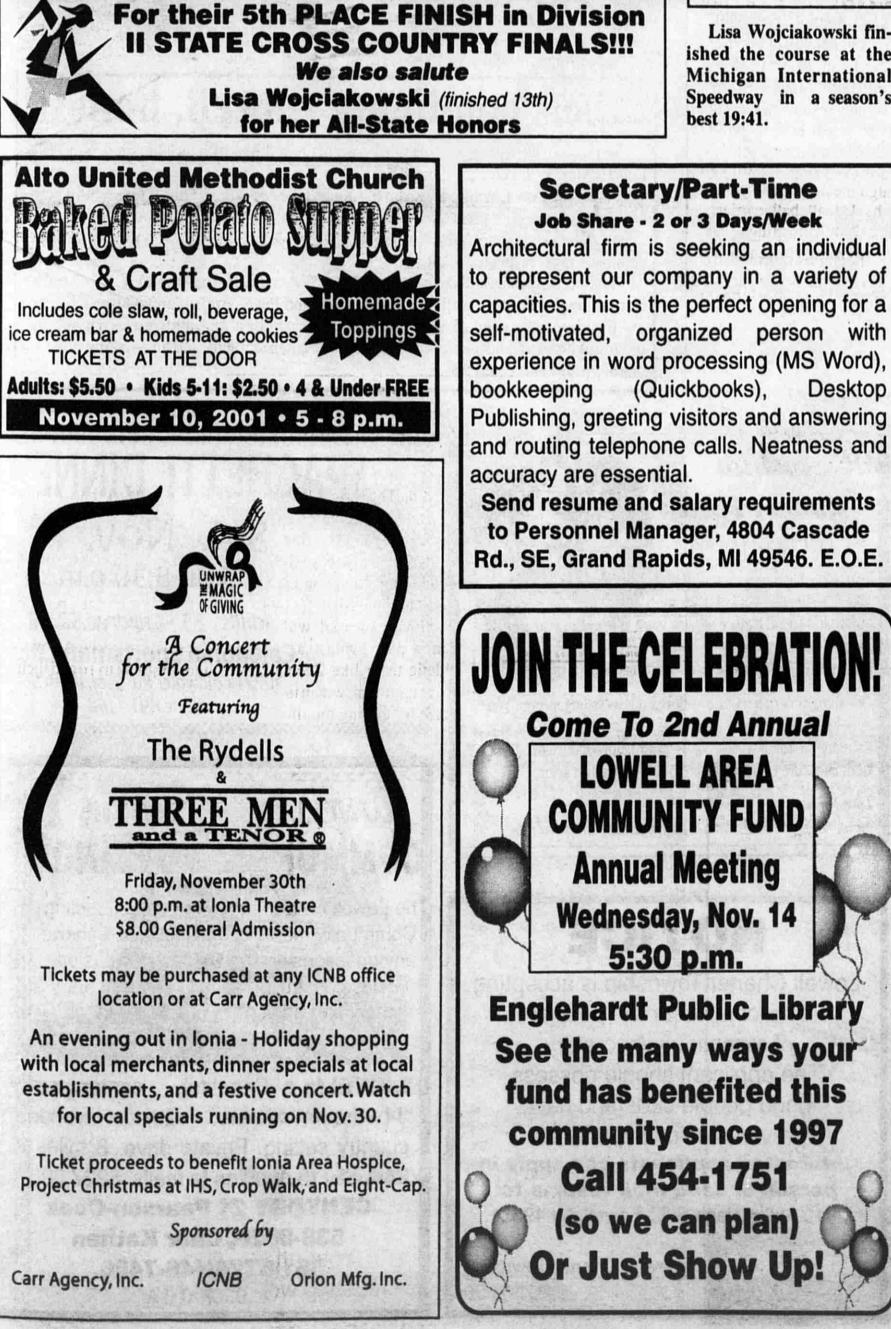
Lady Arrows Varsity Club THE GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

out for only the second time Oberlin in Lowell's first at-

Fenton found the net on all of its shots in the shootout against Lowell's Josh Anderson. The sophomore goalkeeper matched Russell save for save during regulation and the two overtime periods.

With the loss, Lowell ended a season with a record of 15-4-1 and a district championship, its second in as

> Lisa Wojciakowski finished the course at the **Michigan International** Speedway in a season's best 19:41.





Wojciakowski leads Red **Arrows to fifth-place** finish at state meet

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell girls cross country team's fifth-place finish in the state meet at the Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn on Saturday replaces the school's previous best mark of 9th back in 1989.

Lowell entered the meet ranked second by coaches behind Middleville. "They announced that over the speakers prior to the race," said Lowell cross country Clay coach, VanderWarf."The girls went out with the goal of a top five finish.

Led by Lisa Wojciakowski's all-state performance, the Red Arrows achieved their goal.

The junior was 13th overall with a time of 19:41. "That's a great time and it VanderWarf said. The top with 226.

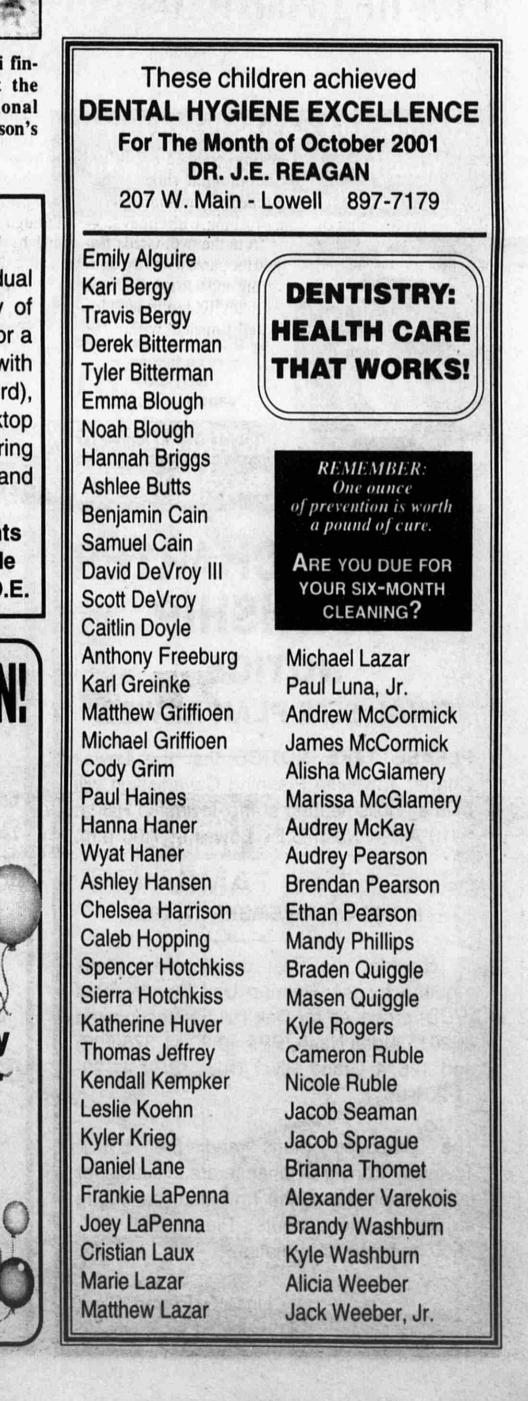
30 runners in the Division II state meet earned all state hon-

Following Wojciakowski home for Lowell were Sarah Swab, 33rd, 20:22; Natalie Kent, 53rd, 20:41; Holly Plattner, 55th, 20:42; and Abbie Blanding, 72nd, 21:02.

Other Red Arrows to finish the race but not figuring in the final team score were Molly Kirsch 21:42 and Abby Vos 21:49.

"The course was a little sloppy, but the girls ran well." VanderWarf said. "If they stay healthy and work hard, the girls. I believe, can improve on their fifth place finish next year."

For a third consecutive year, Middleville (156) won the Division II state title. Other teams making a top five finish were Stevensville Lakeshore 204; Birmingham Marian 205: was Lisa's best of the year," Mt. Pleasant 221 and Lowell



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Pictured, top row, left to right: Shelby Tomczak, Amanda Willits; bottom row, left to right: Todd Drenth, Tiffani Jastifer; missing: Melissa Schloop

FFA hog roast and auction, Nov. 9

The Lowell FFA Chapter and scholarship auction on High School cafeteria. will host its annual hog roast Friday. Nov. 9 at the Lowell

Attention All Coaches, Proud Parents, Athletes & Others Who Wish To Submit Photos In The Ledger...



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LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP NOTICE **FINAL SITE PLAN REVIEW**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at the Township Hall at 2910 Alden Nash S.E., Lowell at 7:00 p.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2001

To consider the final development plans required for the Planned Unit Development (PUD) proposed for Oak Hill Estates located at 2615 Alden Nash (PP# 40-20-11-376-008) and 12874 Grand River Drive (PP# 41-20-11-201-001).

The proposed plans and the Lowell Township Zoning Ordinance are available for public inspection at the Township Hall during regular business hours. Please call 897-7600 for further information.

> Linda S. Regan, Clerk Lowell Charter Township

LHS honors November students of the month

Lowell High School recently selected the November students of the month. These students were chosen by the different departments because of their expertise and willingness to work hard in a particular subject area.

Amanda Willits, a senior, is the daughter of Paul and Christine Willits of Lowell. She was selected by the Life Management Department. During her years at LHS. Amanda has been active in the SADD Advisory Board, National Honor Society. school newspaper, Project Pals and track. She is also very involved in her church is employed at Kingsland's True Value Hardware. She has been on the honor roll all four years and attended Girl's State last summer. Next year Willits plans to attend Graceland University in Iowa with plans to become a secondary English teacher and youth minister.

Her teacher nominator says Amanda is always pleasant and cheerful. She always seems to go the extra mile to ganized and on time.

Dinner will be served from

5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. The auction (items donated from area

businesses and local residents)

will begin at 6:30 p.m. The funds raised from the event

are used to provide scholar-

ships for students to attend

various leadership confer-

For more information con-

tact John Schut at Lowell

High School, 897-4125.

ences.

Todd Drenth, a senior, is

the son of Tom and Carol Drenth of Lowell. He was chosen by the Social Studies Department. Todd's extracurricular activities include Model UN, World Studies Council, National Honor Society. Junior Rotary and powerlifting. His plans for next year include either Michigan State University or Hillsdale College. Todd's teacher nominator says that his accomplishments are outstanding and that he is wellread on world affairs. Shelby Tomczak is the

daughter of Roger and Kathy Tomczak of Lowell. She is a senior and is being honored by the Science Department. Shelby is very involved with many extracurricular activities such as treasurer of the Student Council, National Honor Society, Junior Rotary, International Club, Environmental Club, first grade mentor, captain of the softball and basketball teams and president of the Lady Arrow Varsity Club. She is also employed at the Lowell YMCA. Shelby plans to attend colmake her work complete, or- lege next year and major in engineering. Tiffani Jastifer is the

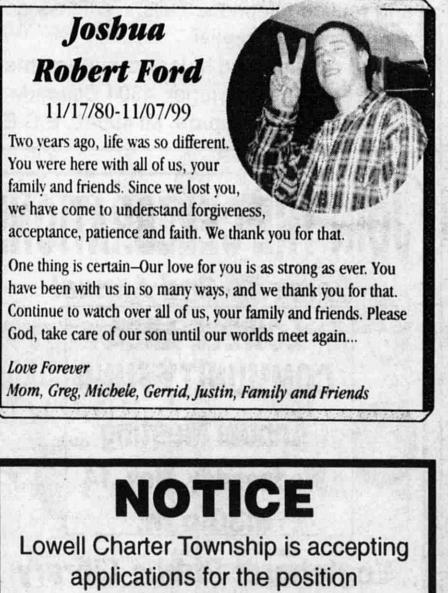


Fallasburg Historical Society will present Gerald Bestrom on Thursday, Nov. 15 at the owell Middle School.

of this country's 16th president With fact and humor, Abe is brought to life, giving viewers a rich portrayal of one of the

ountry's most respected leaders. The performance is free to the public. It is being underwritten by C&W Tool Sales,

Harold Zeigler Ford, Lowell Animal Hospital and Pet Complex, and Keiser's Kitchen. Bestrom tours over 25 states (mainly the east coast and midwest), bringing quality programs of factual historic content, humorous entertainment, and an amazing link to inner moral virtues and strengths

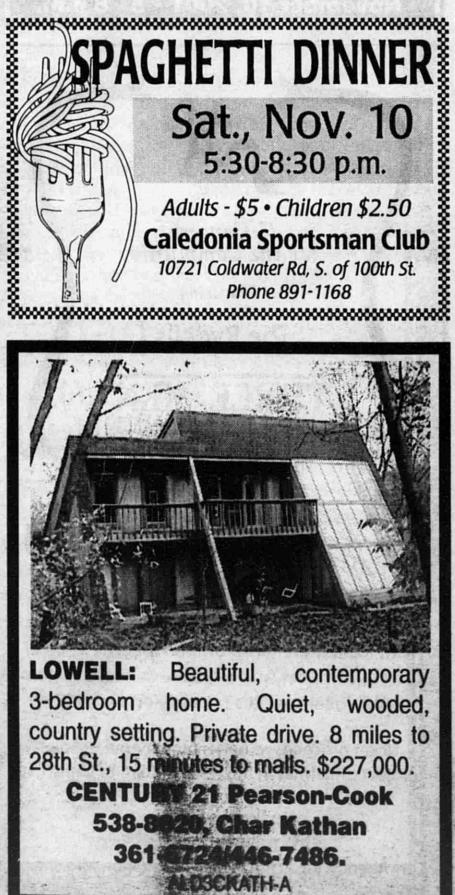


of receptionist/secretary. The applicant should possess good people skills and have previous office experience. Interested applicants can apply in person or send their resume to:

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daughter of Russell and Starlene Jastifer of Ada. She is a senior and was the choice of the Agriscience Depart-Tiffani is the head ment. photographer for the yearbook and a Junior Rotarian. She is also employed at Cumberland Retirement Village. Her plans for next year are either to attend college or to join the Army Reserves. Tiffani would like to thank her mother because without her she wouldn't have received this honor. Her teacher nominator says she is a student who is consistent in performance, welcoming of others and works to set high standards for herself.

Melissa Schloop, a senior, is the daughter of John and Julie Schloop of Lowell. She was selected by the English Department. At LHS, Melissa is a member of the Science Olympiad team. She is also employed at Big Boy. Next year she plans to attend Michigan Technological University to major in biomedical engineering. Her teacher nominator says Melissa is an excellent writer and avid reader.

As honest Abe Lincoln, Bestrom has toured the country giving his insightful portrayal



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Brewing up Halloween costume "contest fun!



Pictured from the office of James Reagan, DDS, left to right, are: Becky Hansen, caterpillar; Lynn Seese, witch; and Rebecca Brecken, black widow.



Pictured from the Lowell YMCA Wellness Center, front row, left to right, are: Sharon Crandall, fisherman; Bonnie Grooters, Lucy; Mae Dean Alexander, great pumpkin; Maryann Bishop, repairman; back row, left to right, are: Dee Brown, wicked witch; Kathy Horsch, clown; Evelyn Marron, pheasant disguised as a hunter; Margie Lowry, sleepyhead; Jeanne Shores, Andy's Angel; Mary McCoy, punk rocker; and Deb Hill, softball player.

This year The Ledger Costume Contest winners are: Sharon Crandall (fisherman), Evelyn Marron (Pheasant disguised as hunter), Vickie Comdure (spaghetti & meat balls), Rachel Phillips (Lady Liberty) and Lori **Oom (Janice Joplin).**

> **CONGRATULATIONS!** Winners will enjoy a pizza compliments of The Lowell Ledger.



Pictured from Picket Fence Child Care, front row left to right, are: Devin Falk, Dalmatian; Andrew Priest, lion; Devon Siciliano, cowboy; back row, left to right, are: Connor Duiven, monkey man; Deb Duiven, movie star; and Ian Duiven, goblin.



Pictured from the office of James Reagan, DDS, left to right, are: Vickie Comdure, Italian spaghetti and meatballs; Carrie Woolworth, bones; Rachel Phillips, Statue of Liberty; and James Reagan, jailbird.



Pictured from Ball Floral, left to right, are: Bev Holst, owl; Jennifer Lopez, witch; and Carrie Honeysette, vampire.



Pictured from Cumberland, left to right, are: Starlene Jastifer, medieval sorcerer; Casey Rolfe, quacked; Tammy Hall, fairy godmother; Kim Pennington, dracula.



Pictured from Cumberland, left to right, are: Marie Spickler, little girl ready for bed; Ginger Workman, Annie Oakley; and Thressa Zylstar, royalty. Unger Workman, Annie Oakey, and



Joplin.





Pictured from Family Fare, left to right, are: Diana Corbit, hunter; Jill Pietrzak, pajama girl; Becky Tower, flower child.

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Pictured from Brenda's Hair Design, left to right, are: Therese Jakeway, Eleanor Roosevelt; Julie Heimer, Marilyn Monroe; Brenda Bergy, Lucy; and Lori Oom, Janice

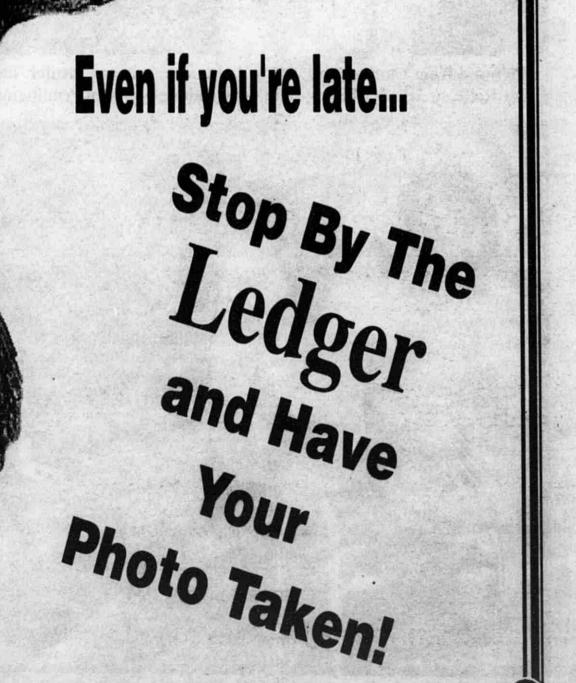
Pictured from Cumberland Manor, left to right, are: Rhoda Greenman-Batt, scarecrow; Heidi Ford, good doctor; Audra Harmon, masked executioner; Lola Hunt, wizard; and Kaci Wohlscheid, the lone leprechaun.

DEER HUNTERS **The Lowell Ledger And Several Area Merchants Are Again Sponsoring A** FIRST BUCK CONTEST

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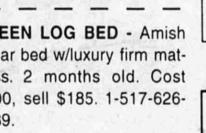
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Christmas Through Lowell will offer unique crafts & gifts and a commemorative cookbook

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

While the 10th annual Christmas Through Lowell will offer unique opportunities to shop for hand-crafted items this holiday season, it will also heat things up with a cookbook filled with recipes which have been collected over the years and/or sent in.

Christmas Through Lowell opens on Friday. Nov. 16 and runs through Sunday. Nov. 18. This year, patrons will be able to shop at 25 homes and five businesses. Shopping on Friday begins at 9 a.m. and continues until 9 p.m. and on Sunday from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m.

The cost of the cookbook is \$8 and will be available at all stops. Proceeds will benefit the Flat River Outreach Ministries.

Proceeds from the sales at Joy's Angels, 11579 Foreman, will be donated to the American Cancer Society.

A portion of the sales at Sister & Me, 810 Bowes Rd., will be donated to St. Mary's Pregnancy Crisis Center.

Corner Crafts, 423 Suffolk, will also be selling baked goods, with all proceeds going to the Flat River Outreach Ministries. First United Methodist Church Holiday Craft Show will be open to the public from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Jody Haybarker, event coordinator, said they anticipate approximately 1,200 patrons participating in the event.

"Christmas Through Lowell is a unique opportunity for residents to see home and holiday displays," Haybarker explains. "Groups of women go around to the different homes together - shop, have lunch and just have a good time together."

Homes will be open on Saturday from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m.

Newest service brings Lowell Cable Television subscribers instant access to internet

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

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Through a partnership developed with local business owner. Michael Novak of MicroNet Systems, Lowell Cable Television is now able to offer its cable subscribers Xstream high speed internet service.

"Lowell felt uniquely positioned to offer its residents



this new service because the customers own the cable company and the electric utility. and now the opportunity to present a high speed internet experience using cable modem technology." said marketing and programming director, Debbie Deane.

The high speed internet service will be self-sustaining and will require no capital investment on the part of Lowell Cable Television.

"It's a service Lowell Cable Television customers have been anxiously awaiting." said Lowell Cable Television general manager. Tom Richards. "It's a service most smaller cable companies find difficult to provide."

Both Deane and Richards are quick to acknowledge that it is the futuristic thinking of the company's founders of putting two-way cable in the plant that enables them to offer the high speed internet service.

"It's a testament to them. They realized new technology would be coming along and took no short cuts," Richards said.

The service has been up and running for two weeks. A few customers were connected to the service so Lowell Cable could test it and see how well it works before going public with it.

"I love it. What a difference. I'm connecting at a speed of 50-55 K and downloading at 65-100 K. It's amazing. It's at least 10 times faster than trying to dial it up," said Thomas Marchido, who was selected to test it for a few weeks before offering it to all the cable customers. "We have a list of roughly 60 people who have called over the last two years requesting high speed internet service," Deane said.

The service will cost customers \$49.95 a month. "The cost to switch is about the same. It's well worth it," Marchido said.

It will provide them access to the internet up to 15-30 times faster, and a constant "hassle free" connection without the need for a phone line. C

"We have the infrastructure needed to provide this service but we had to find a partner that shared our dedication to customer service and liability," Richards explained. "Our partnership with MicroNet Systems provides that."

Council temporarily suspends RV ordinance enforcement

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Councilman Don Green called the controversy over the recreational vehicle storage ordinance a law of unintended consequences. "One problem is fixed by an ordinance but you don't always see what will happen down the road," Green explained.

Over the last couple of weeks, several Lowell area residents were affected by a letter stating they were in violation of the RV storage and parking ordinance. They came forth Monday night with ideas and suggestions to aide in either enforcement or change of the ordinance. Lowell resident, Dwain Scheller, 629 Birchwood Ct., representing a committee made up of 11 residents, presented questions and concerns to the council and possible amendments as to what should be done.

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Flu Shots in Grattan Twp. Nov. 30

The Kent County Health Department will be giving flu shots at the township hall in Grattan Township from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 30. The hall is located on Old Belding Road, in Grattan, across from Grattan Academy.

The cost for the flu shot is \$15, or if you have medicare, bring your card and medicare will be billed directly. Patrons do not have to be a resident of Grattan Township. For more information call (616) 691-8450.

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Lot 5, Rathbone's Addition to the City of Grand Rapids, Section 2, Town 6 North, Range 12 West, according to the recorded plat thereof in Liber 20 of Plats, Page 28, Kent County Records Commonly known as 1219 Rathbone S.W., Wyoming, Michigan.

This property may be redeemed during the six (6) months following the sale.

Dated: October 31, 2001

Mary Hollinrake Kent County Clerk

ROBERT N. SWARTZ Attorney at Law 1100 McKay Tower 146 Monroe Center N.W. Grand Rapids, MI 49503 (616) 459-3303 The residents were asked to carry out the task by the planning commission at the Oct. 22 meeting.

Following his presentation, the council voted unanimously that all enforcement procedures for the recreational vehicle storage ordinance be temporarily suspended until the ordinance issue is addressed and resolved.

City manager, Dave Pasquale asked that the committee continue to work with the planning commission and then get back to the council with their solution.

Some of the residents' suggestions shared with the council included:

• abolishing the ordinance altogether;

• providing a fenced, paved, lighted and guarded parking facility free of charge for tax paying residents of Lowell;

• allowing seasonal parking of RV's - camping-type RV's be allowed to park in a resident's yard from April 15 through Nov. 30 and wintertype RV's from Nov. 15 until April 30th.

• allowing a licensed, insured vehicle (if it is not blocking traffic's vision) to be parked in a driveway.

"The committee is in unanimous agreement that the current ordinance does not aide in the beautification of Lowell, and all it does is create counter productive relationships between city residents and the city government," Scheller concluded.

A wise man gets more use from his enemies than a fool from his friends. —Baltasar Gracian ***

