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# Along Main Street

### DONATIONS NEEDED FOR ALL-SCHOOL MUSICAL

Lowell High School is in need of many prom-style dresses for this year's all-school musical, Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella. If you would be willing to donate to the production, they may be brought into the high school office daily from 7 a.m.- 4 p.m.; all sizes and colors are needed but especially dresses with long full skirts.

#### YMCA SPIRIT LEAGUE CLINIC

The YMCA will hold a second Spirit League clinic for 5th and 6th grade girls on Thursday, Jan. 3 at Cherry Creek Gym at 5:30 p.m. for those who missed the first clinic. If you did not participate in the first clinic, but wish to be on a Spirit League team this winter, you must be at this clinic. No exceptions. Call Dan at 897-8445 ext. 705 with any questions.

#### ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB MEETING

The athletic boosters will hold their regular business meeting in the high school staff lounge on Monday, Jan. 7 at 7 p.m. Please come and help support our athletes.

#### DOCENT TRAINING OFFERED AT MUSEUM

Museum docent training will take place.on Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 7 p.m. If interested in being a volunteer and providing a much needed service, contact Judy at 897-7688.

#### WINTER FAST PITCH CLINIC TO BE OFFERED

Lowell High School softball coaches will hold a winter fast pitch clinic for all elementary and middle school girls interested in becoming a softball pitcher. Alto gym: Thursdays, Jan. 10,17, 24, 31 and Feb. 7, 14, 21. Grades 6 and under

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## Township will look to savings to help park costs

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Bids on phase II of the Grand River Riverfront Park project came in somewhat higher than Lowell Charter Township projected.

The township anticipated the work costing approximately \$310,000. Much of that cost is being covered by the Lowell Area Community Fund (\$100,000) and a \$199,000 state grant.

According to Lowell Township supervisor, John Timpson, the cost for phase II came in approximately \$60,000 higher than projected.

The township will also seek additional funding for the rest

of the park improvements, including work which would not qualify for grant funding, raising the budgeted amount to roughly \$500,000.

Timpson said, while the township will seek another \$100,000 from the Lowell Area Community Fund, it will also use funds from its savings, as long as the balance is 70 percent of the budget. Next year's budget is at \$603,000, which means \$420,000 would have to be left in the savings.

Phase II of the 76-acre park will include a boardwalk and an overlook along the river, park shelter and bathrooms, well, septic and electrical work, storage building, and paved trails and playground equipment.

# Law office gets approval to move into downtown; local church requests permit for classroom facility

By J.N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer

The Lowell City Planning Commission had a few loose ends to wrap up before the end of the year that included giving the OK for a law office to move to Main Street and setting a special meeting for a local church seeking a special use permit.

Tim Haynes came before the planning commission at a special meeting Dec. 17, seeking approval to move his law office to 617 W. Main St., the former residence of Mike and Kim Harding. Earlier, a local beauty salon had approached the planning commission about the same site.

Haynes meets all the ordinance requirements. He also revised his site plan to meet two concerns the planning commission had about it. First, he moved the handicap ramp to the east side of the building, which would adjoin a handicap parking space. The plan also showed the five required parking spaces for the site, which includes four spaces immediately east of the garage, to remain on the property as well as the handicap spot.

The planning commission approved the site plan, clearing the way for Haynes to move his law office into the building.

At the same meeting, former planning commission member and First Methodist Church pastor, Gordie Barry was on hand to represent his church, which was seeking a special use permit for a building located at 206 N. Jackson.

The building, located on the northeast corner of Jackson and Avery, is directly across from the church. The church leaders are interested in using the facility for classrooms and a meeting space, which requires a special use permit in the residential R-3 zoning.

"The lot could provide a number of different options," Barry said at the meeting. "If classrooms and meeting space are what is needed, then that is what we would like to use it for. However, if parking is the need in the future, the area could be used for that."

Barry said his reasoning for approaching the commission was to make sure that before the church purchased the land, it could use it to fill whatever the needs were of the organization.

The planning commission set a special public hearing for Jan. 7 at the Englehardt Library to review the issue, listen to public comments, and make a decision.

## City's special meeting to focus on road projects

By J.N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer

The Lowell City Council will waste no time after the holidays to get down to business focusing on the city's roads

The council has a special meeting scheduled for Jan. 14 to discuss the upcoming road projects for the summer; this includes the reconstruction of N. Division and Valley Vista along with curb work on Bowes Road and M-21.

"Most of the projects, which are part of a transportation bond the city approved earlier this year, are pretty straight forward," said city manager, David Pasquale. "The only one that could be difficult is N. Division."

N. Division runs from Main Street to Grindle. One concern is that it tapers when going up the hill. There are also questions about future sidewalks along the road.

Pasquale said the city staff is looking for direction from the council on what to do about sidewalks, trees, and retaining walls as well as whether the road should be widened or the pavement extended to the south.

The transportation bond allows the city to borrow up to

Road Projects, cont'd. pg. 8

#### Lowell YMCA Raffle a Success

During the month of December, the Lowell YMCA raffled off a pair of life-size Hallmark kissing bears. Meaghan, daughter of Chris and Roberta Zech, held the winning ticket to the bears. The money raised will go to help the new editions to the Paul and Teri Sikkenga family.

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### **OBITUARIES**

BERGY - Michael Floyd Bergy, aged 38, of Lowell, passed away suddenly December 26, 2001. He is survived by his wife Susan; sons Travis and Blake; parents Donald and Sondra Bergy; brothers Timothy (Teri), Thomas (Brenda); parentsin-law Martin Kooiman Francis Backstrom all of Lowell; many aunts, uncles, sisters and brothers-in-law,

nieces, nephews and cous-

ins. Funeral services were held Monday at the South Boston Bible Church, Lowell, Rev. Ronald Tuinstra officiating. Interment South Boston Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Travis and Blake Bergy Education Fund.

GEMMELL - Mr. James Stewart Gemmell, aged 80, of Wyoming, passed away at home on Tuesday, December

#### Lt. Colonel Thomas (Bette) Barton; his first wife and friend for life Alpha (Chuck) VandenBosch; many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and The Lowell Ledger cousins. James (Jimmy) was

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(Perry) Scannell, James Gemmell Jr.; his step-chil-PECKHAM - Richard H. dren Lynda (Mike) Rinehart, Peckham, aged 77, of St. Petersburg, Fla., formerly of Roger (Cindy) Owen, Laurie Wagner; 21 grandchildren; Lowell, died Thursday, Debrothers Rtd. Colonel John Medical Center, Bay Pines, (Peggy) Gemmell and Rtd. Fla. Preceding him in death were his parents William Gemmell; sister Genie and Lena Peckham of Lowell, his wife Lois, one son

25, 2001. He was preceded in generation immigrant from

death by his father Alexander Glasgow, Scotland, he spent

(Chris) Gemmell, Kimberly National Cemetery.

(Gemmell) Atkinson and wife

his children Bonni (Gary)

Gemmell-Akalis Eddy, Ty

born in Detroit and graduated

from Detroit Northern High

School in 1939. He was very

active in sports, winning med-

als for swimming and track

and field; he played amateur

hockey, boxing and semi-pro

football. He graduated from

Michigan State College

(1948-1952), later moving

to Grand Rapids where he

Wyoming and served for

many years while teaching

small machinery, welding and

auto mechanics at Godwin

Public School. Being a first

Gemmell, mother Elizabeth much free time tracing his family tree. Funeral Service of 33 years. Marilyn was held Saturday, Decem-Gemmell. He is survived by ber 29 at Stroo Funeral Home, came a commercial fisher-Rev. Richard Baukema officiating. Interment Ft. Custer Beginnings Christian Church and Veterans of Foreign Wars. Survivors include ers, Nancy Freeman, son Ricar and Bob all of Mich., sisand Cora all of Mich. A Memorial Service was held at Brett Funeral Home in Florida

on Friday, December 28.

Ralph, two brothers William WATSON - DeWayne and Frank, one sister Ruth Watson, Jr., aged 63, of Lowand an infant grandson. In ell, died suddenly Monday, 1941 he went to Florida. He December 24, 2001. He is surwas a W.W. II U.S. Army vived by his wife Leola; chil-Air Force veteran. He be- dren Rick (Lori) Bassett of Greenville, Cliff (Teresa) man, was a member of New Bassett of Indiana, Dewayne Watson III of Lowell, Shani Watson of Grand Rapids; brother James Watson of daughters June Raye Sand- Stanton; sister Beverly Edwards, sister-in-law chard all of Fla.; brothers Chiquita Sumners both of cember 20, 2001 at V. A. Wesley of Fla., Howard, Os- Grand Rapids; eight grandchildren. Services will be held ters Hazel, Dolores, Margie at a later date. Interment Oakwood Cemetery.

### LEGAL NOTICES

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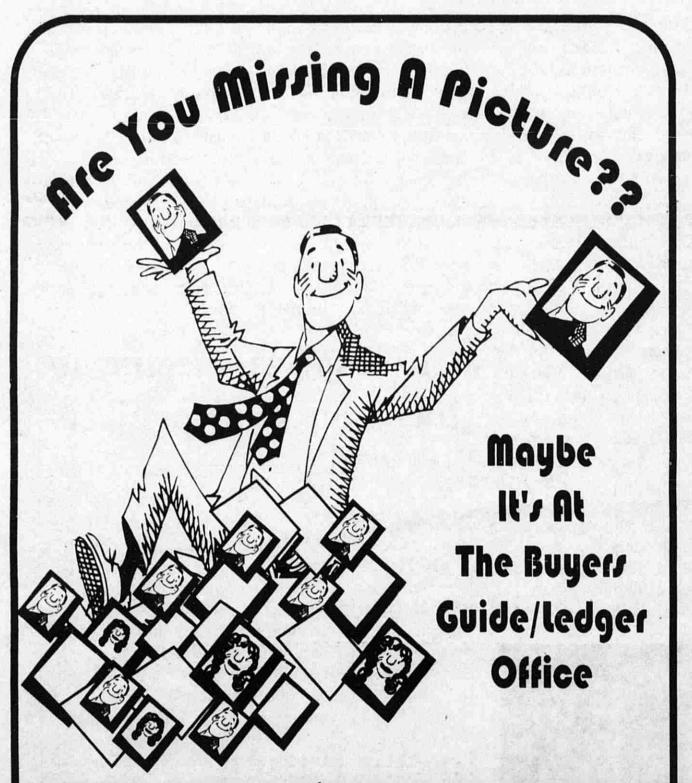
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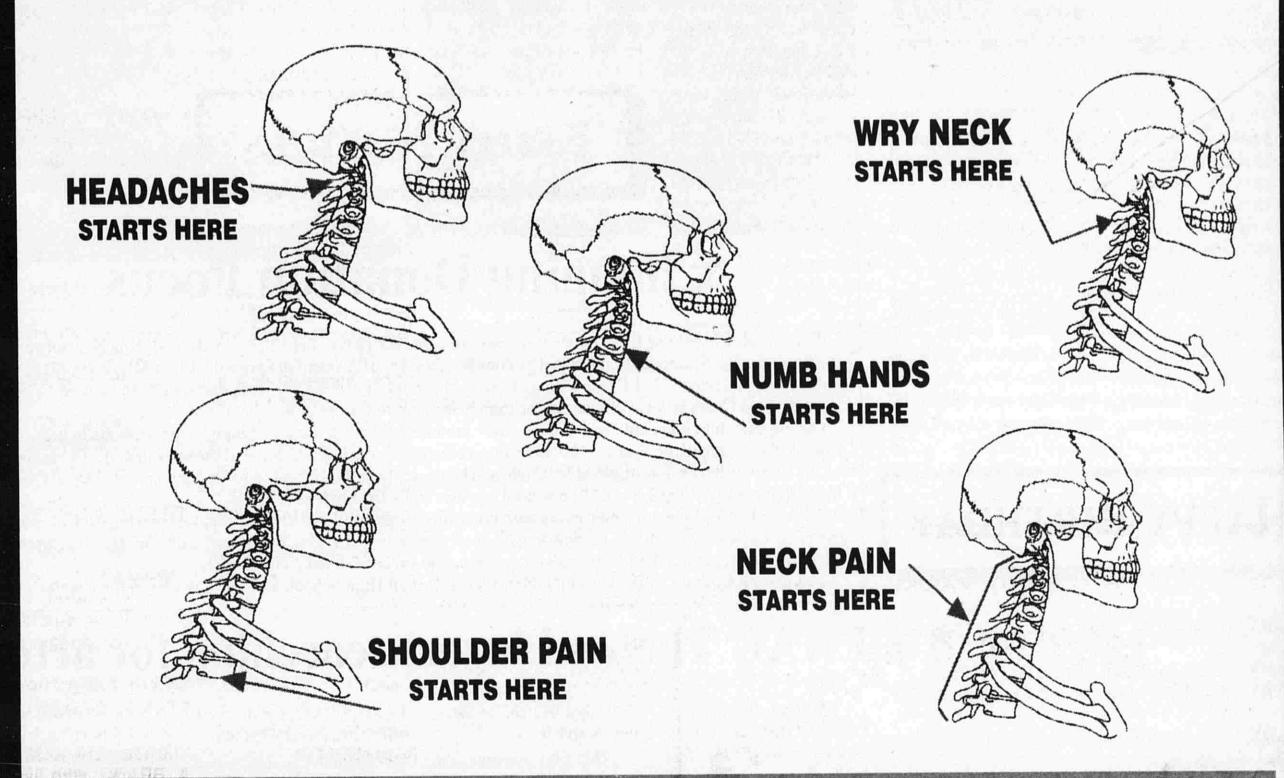
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# Reflections

Of Faith

Father George Fekete St. Mary Church

In "Windows to Truth." a British minister who lived a number of years ago, W.E. Sangster, told of a wedding reception he attended. He had arrived late and the only person he knew was the person who had invited him. Not really knowing anyone, he had the chance to observe the revelers. Everyone was having a great time, but as the evening progressed he did notice a young woman sitting by herself. No one seemed to be paying her any attention. Mr. Sangster asked his friend who she was. He replied. "Don't you know? I must introduce you to her: love you. she is the bride.

We celebrated the birth of Jesus, Savior, last week and we have to ask, "Has Jesus shopping, parties, decorating, choices regarding Christmas dinners and even last-minute shopping, the focal point of

of our lives and how to live in His love in eternity. "Has

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JANUARY 3 - Jon Vezino. Agnes Kent. Audrie Olszewski, Lloyd Callihan

JANUARY 4 - Nicholas Knonenwetter, Donna Johnson. JANUARY 5 - Ryan Sauber, Craig Carpenter, Pauline

JANUARY 6 - Bobbi Jo Young, Don Green, Mary Ellen Miller, Bob Kinsley JANUARY 7 - Lois Seese, Helga Wester, Bob Leyman,

JANUARY 9 - Jordan Potter, Helen Guastavino.

been noticed?" With all the wrapping, travel plans. the whole season can be lost.

God has done something spectacular and we are called to respond. The Son of God became man for us, sinners. With His life, teaching and actions. He has shown us God's love and forgiveness. He has taught us the meaning now so that we all might live Jesus been noticed?" God

## LAAC Thebes Players searching for actors

**Changing Donation Focus** 

The Lowell Chapter of Business Professionals of America (BPA) held a change drive during November to help

During each lunch period for one week, BPA members collected donated money from students to help the Red

Business Professionals of America is a national student organization with local chapters serving students pursuing

The Lowell Chapter of BPA is in its third year at Lowell High School, and Dee Crowley is the chapter adviser.

Cross. A class competition was held between the grades to see which grade donated the most money. The senior class

won the competition by donating \$147.59, followed by the sophomores, juniors and freshmen. On Friday of that week,

careers in business and office occupations. The organization provides the opportunity for the development of

raise funds for the American Red Cross. On Tuesday, Dec. 18, BPA members presented Lisa McKinney of the Grand

Rapids Area American Red Cross with a check in the amount of \$358.74. This donation is to be used to help the

The Lowell Area Arts Thursday, March 7 - Saturing the play is Cheryl Blodgett to Rick Stedman, a fellow Council's Thebes Players are seeking actors for The Nerd by Larry Shue. Public performances of this dinner theater production will be at Larkin's Other Place in downtown historic Lowell on

AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

day, March 9.

American Red Cross in local efforts rather than being sent to the national relief fund.

a blood drive was held at Lowell High School, sponsored by the Student Council.

leadership skills, personal and professional growth, and career-related competencies.

This play requires four males, two females and one child (6-8 years old). Auditions will take place at the Englehardt Library from Jan. 8 - 10 from 7-9 p.m. Direct

ex-GI whom he has never with Anne Pasquale as assismet but who saved his life tant director. after he was seriously The story: Now an aspirwounded in Vietnam. Rick ing young architect in Terre shows up unexpectedly at Haute, Indiana, Willum Willum's apartment at his Cubbert has often told his 34th birthday party. He soon friends about the debt he owes realizes that Rick is a hope-

> incident after another. Come and see the surprising "twist" ending of the play. For more information and to borrow a script for

less "nerd." Rick stays on

and on with one uproarious

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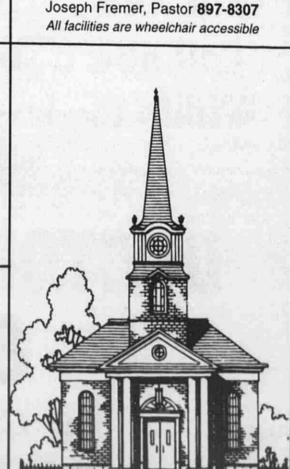
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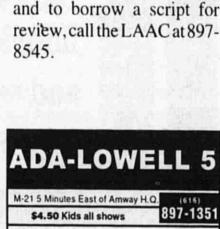
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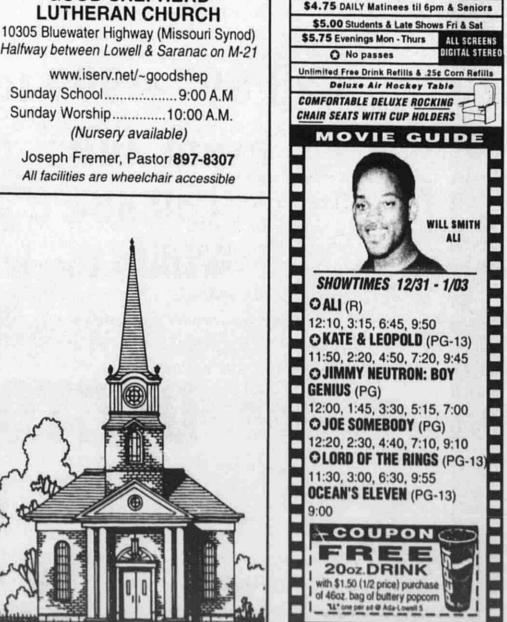
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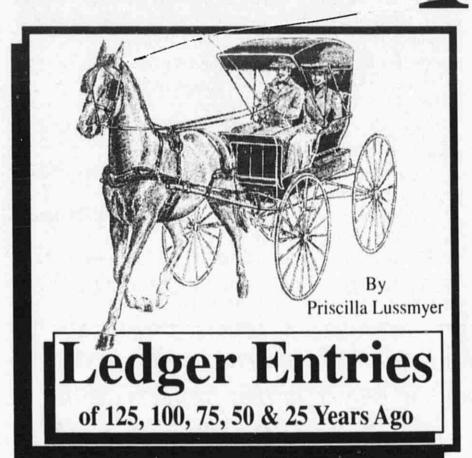






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# Viewpoint.



#### 125 YEARS THE WEEKLY JOURNAL **DECEMBER 27, 1876**

The new Congregational Church at Ada is being dedicated

Those lucky enough to have ice houses are filling them. A meeting in the interests of the KL&NM railroad will be held in Fallasburg tonight.

Roads are reported in excellent condition, so sleighs have given place to wheels.

People who were late to bed on Saturday night were treated to a brilliant display of Aurora Borealis.

#### 100 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER **DECEMBER 26, 1901**

This issue is missing as well as every issue until May 1902; we substitute columns from the first year Ledger Entries was published, 1987. December 29, 1887 also missing.

#### 75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER AND THE ALTO SOLO DECEMBER 30, 1926

Local Pere Marquette agent F.F. Rosewarne is awarded a \$25 prize for the best-kept depot on the Port Huron-Grand Rapids division.

TAKE A CHANCE

Sweepstakes, lotteries and casinos provide ample opportu-

nities to try one's luck at a game of chance. I, along with a lot

of other hunters, take my chances on winning a license to hunt

Michigan's game birds and animals during special seasons.

These hunts are most often used to maintain a balance between

wildlife numbers and the ability of the habitat to support them.

Sometimes, the objective is to reduce wildlife -people con-

and apply for a license. Applications must be submitted by

Feb. 1. There are many choices of hunt areas and dates that run

from April 1 to June 10 this year. Fall turkey licenses are more

limited in area and hunt dates-application is made in July.

tively complicated system. All of the Lower Peninsula and the

majority of the U.P. are divided into county size management

areas called deer management units or DMUs. There are early

seasons, late seasons, private land licenses, and public land

licenses. An early season and youth hunt open in some areas as

soon as September. The late season for antlerless deer begins

Dec. 17 and goes through Jan. 1 in selected DMUs.

Antlerless deer hunting licenses are issued using a rela-

These hunts occur during September and October.

If you plan to hunt turkeys this spring, it's time to get busy

flicts or control tuberculosis found in deer in some areas.

OUTDOORS

By Dave Stegehuis

Since the postmaster-general put marines on the mail cars and mail trucks a few weeks ago, there has not been one mail

The days of the Flapper are numbered. Long hair and curls are coming back into vogue.

The editor concludes that 1926 was a good year. The average American eats 150 pounds of meat a year, 20 pounds of potatoes and 150 eggs.

#### 50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER **DECEMBER 27, 1951**

The Ledger reminds that dropping in on friends and neighbors is a Christmas custom that should be kept.

The "Korean Christmas Carol" is read on the Kate Smith program. It begins, "Twas the night before Christmas and all through the tent Was the odor of fuel oil (the stovepipe was

It's a white Christmas with a vengeance. The village workers have removed 48 truckloads of snow a day for 10 days, in the county.

Parents who move to the country are warned to check on schoolbus service first. They may not have a bus in their area, of it," and the "jealousy" fight. or it may be too full to take their child.

The Methodist church celebrates the rebuilt chancel and pipe organ, plus Rev. Glotfelty's 25th year in the ministry.

#### 25 YEARS THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER **DECEMBER 23, 1976.**

This issue was combined with the December 23, so Christmas ads of that issue follow

"Best wishes from the Ledger staff" is signed by Maggie McNaughton, Carol Sebastian, Terese and Roger Brown. Walt Disney's "Gus" is playing at the Strand Theatre.

The Grand Rapids Ice Arena on Thornhills Ave. advertises its public skating schedule and the next date for Motorcycle Ice Racing.

The Olympique skimobile can be had for \$1,595.

For those caught in the energy crunch, the DNR offers free firewood from any state- or federal-owned land (you cut and

private land DMUs starting Sept. 21 and for leftover public future, make sure that he follows this rule. land licenses on Sept. 25, 2002. Keep an eye out for the dates and regulations.

Hunting for black bear begins in September. Bear hunters process by May 15. As with the other drawn hunts, the season dates and management units are listed in a published guide. There is a cumulative preference point system used in issuing bear licenses. This system allows an applicant to receive credit for a point for each unsuccessful application he or she submits. An applicant may choose to skip the drawing and bank a point per year for a future hunt. Licenses are issued to those with the most accumulated points.

Applications for Michigan elk are due between June 15 and July 15, 2002. About 40,000 hunters applied for 200 licenses the year my wife got one. Good Luck.

Then, at last, there are the waterfowl management areas that allow hunting for ducks and geese at special times. The hunter can apply for reservations through E-License at www.michigandnr.com from Aug. 1 through Aug. 28 for some early season hunts. Otherwise, the hunter must show up at the unit headquarters on the day of the hunt to participate in a the child, and to tell him that you don't love him any less.

Well, there you have it. If it sounds complicated, it is. Most applications can be made at the dealer site or you can go online at www.michigandnr.com. How lucky do you feel?

## Letters, Letters, Letters, Letters...

The Lowell Ledger thanks you in advance for your cooperation.

The Lowell Ledger welcomes all "Letters to the Editor" for publication on its "Viewpoint" page. Letters can be typed or written. However, we ask that they do not exceed one written page or one typed, double-spaced page. "Letters to the Editor" should be sent to the Lowell Ledger, 105 N. Broadway, P.O. Box 128, Lowell, MI 49331 or emailed to: ledgerbg1@aol.com. Letters must be signed and please include a phone number when emailing. Editing may be necessary for space, clarity and to avoid obscenity, libel or invasion of privacy.

Your children are home for the holiday break: three weeks

free of the pressures of school, filled with the joys of the holiday. And, of course, filled with the ever present sibling rivalry. That's right, the holiday season does tend to bring out the worst in sibling relationships. However, there are many things you can do to ensure that you and your family have a "squabble- free" holiday season.

First, recognize that there are different ways in which and with the most recent seven inches, only trunklines are open siblings fight, and that a one-size-fits-all solution cannot be applied to all situations. With that said, let's examine the different types of fights: "territorial," "boredom," "for the fun

Probably the most common type of fighting, especially during this time of year, is the territorial fight: Who gets what. This can include anything and everything, from television to toys, from the front seat to the computer. So, as a parent, what can you do about it? No doubt, you are thinking that the battle between who gets to play with the green truck versus the red one is silly and trivial, but to your children, this is of utmost importance. And so, you must treat the situation as seriously as they do. Once you have secured their attention, you can begin to work on a solution. Ask your children what they think a fair solution would be. They should come up with a list fairly quickly. Go through these potential solutions with your children until you can find one that all parties involved can agree on. If, once the system is in place, your children are still fighting, then it's time to set up a punishment system, such as taking away the desired item from both of them.

Second, the boredom fight: They don't know what else to do with their time. One child may be playing peacefully when the other storms in, creating a battle between the two. The tempting solution to this is to send the instigator to his room. However, this will only result in more boredom, and nothing The antlerless application process for all open deer man-really will be solved. Instead, talk comfortingly to your child agement units takes place July 1 through Aug. 1, 2002. After about respecting his siblings and about appropriate behavior. that, licenses for some of the DMUs can be purchased over the Next, create a list with your child of activities that he can do counter from Aug. 2 through Jan. 1, 2003. Also, any leftover when bored. Make it a rule that, when bored, he should first licenses can be purchased over the counter until gone for look at the list before doing anything to his siblings. In the

The third is the fight simply for the fun of the fight: Michigan Antlerless Deer Hunting Guide which should be Pointless arguing. This is common in children in the fourth, available early this summer. This document will sort out all the fifth and sixth grades. It usually starts with one calling the other a name. Then, the insulted child comes back with a harsher insult and so on. To end this, tell your children that speaking can apply for licenses starting April 15 and must complete the to each other in that way is not acceptable. Then, provide your children with an opportunity to communicate with each other in a way that doesn't involve name-calling. For example, get them started on a topic of interest to them, such as a favorite movie or television show. If this leads them right back to name calling, then it's time to enforce a punishment, such as a time

> The last type of fight is the one stemmed from jealousy: One child has what the other wants. More often than not, what the advantaged child has is more of the parent's time. A common example is a sick child. Naturally, you're going to spend more time with him. This leaves the healthy siblings feeling short-changed.

> Another common example is a birthday. The siblings want to get presents too. And so, they take out these feelings of jealousy on their sibling, instigating a fight. When realizing the cause of the fight, it is tempting to immediately want to comfort However, this will serve to encourage this behavior. You must reprimand him for starting the fight. When you see him doing something positive, though, make sure you make the effort to praise him. This will remind him that you do love him as much as his sibling.

The single best way to prevent a jealous fight, however, is to prevent it. When you foresee a situation that might result in jealousy, talk to the child ahead of time and explain that it's not that you love him less - just that his sibling needs the extra something right now. Then, remind him of all the times you were there for him in the same way. Another great way to end jealousy is to have the child help out, by reading a story to his unhealthy sibling, or helping out with party decorations.

And so, by taking control of the situation, you can control the fights between siblings. This will leave you with one less thing to worry about this holiday season.

## Thrill of winter sports and the agony of injuries

As the whole world gets ready for the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City this February, Americans are once again catching a winter sports fever that seems to strike every four years. Around the country, people of all ages are sharpening skate blades, hauling out sleds and tuning skis in a rush to have some winter fun and imitate Olympic heroes

U.S. athletes Picabo Street, Brett Hull, Michelle Kwan and Daron Rahlves have spent years in training to prepare for their Olympic moments, trying to avoid injuries while pushing their bodies to the limit. They'll be in top physical condition when they go for the gold.

But ordinary kids and adults out for some Olympic-style fun can risk serious injury if they don't take winter sports safety seriously, warns Edware Wojtys, M.D., medical director of the UMHS MedSport program.

"The Winter Olympics usually bring a renewed appreciation for these [skiing, skating, hockey and sledding] activities," he says. "Winter sports are no different than summer sports in that the more preparation you do, the more likely they're going to be safe and fun for you."

The following tips may keep you healthy:

· Keep an eye on the thermometer and the sky. Wojtys advises all winter athletes to take the temperature, wind and

other conditions into account whenever they're outside. The head for a warm place and bathe the affected areas in warm cold can take a toll and saps your energy.

• Warm up your muscles. Activities such as cross country or downhill skiing, or hiking on snowshoes requires muscle function. Condition by stretching or riding an exercise bike or do a brisk walk outdoors . . . but the key is to warm up.

• Bundle up but with the right kind of clothing. What you wear when you venture outdoors for winter sports can make all the difference. Use fabrics that wick moisture away from the body, such as polypropylenes - not cotton which soaks up sweat and melted snow. Also dress in layers, so that you can add or take off clothing as you work out.

· Watch out for three common winter ills: frostbite, hypothermia and dehydration. Frostbite comes on as an aching pain and progresses to numbness. At the first sign,

water. Signs of hypothermia include severe chills, shaking, a drop in body temperature and mental confusion; seek warmth and medical attention. If you become dehydrated, choose water or a sports drink rather than hot chocolate or coffee.

Facts about winter sports injuries: • Each year, more than 41,600 children under the age of 15

are treated for skiing injuries. • More than 80,700 kids and teens suffer hockey injuries

yearly, many to the head or neck. • In one recent year, more than 46,000 people were treated for sledding and tubing injuries.

For more information, check out the Internet at: U-M Health System: Your Child - Recreation Safety www.med.umich.edu/llibr/yourchild/recreat.htm

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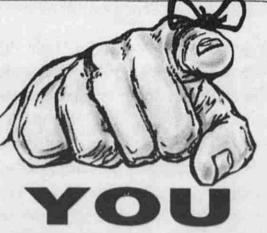
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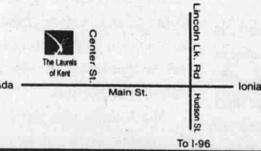


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## Vergennes Township survey will help identify natural features

A citizen-initiated open space survey has been devel- Vergennes Township. Landowners proclaimed a very clear oped and distributed to 1,200 Vergennes Township landowners by the Open Space Citizen Committee.

The quick survey is intended to identify natural features of the township which, through voluntary preservation by the landowner, will help retain rural character in decades to come. Recipients of the survey are requested to return the Jan. 21.

interest in maintaining a sense of being "in the country" in a community-wide survey associated with the Vergennes Township master plan process several years ago.

The current survey follows up by asking for more information. That way, as land fills in through development, landowners can choose to maintain and preserve for everyone addressed and stamped survey to Vergennes Township by rural vistas, wood lots, wetlands, and other important land.

Vergennes residents, Steve Platt and Mark Fleet spear-Once compiled, answers to this survey will help shape headed the survey development project after participating in an inventory of special rural features or unique land in the MSU-sponsored Citizen Planner series of classes held last

year through a grant by the Lowell Area Community Fund. Funding for this survey was provided by a grant from the 2001 mini-grant program of United Growth for Kent County. The mission of the Vergennes Township Open Space Citizen Committee is to promote protection of the township's rural character, open spaces and natural areas,

Any Vergennes Township landowner who did not receive a survey may request one from the Vergennes Township by calling 897-5671.

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TO ALL CREDITORS: NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent, JOHN LEONARD KIKSTRA, who lived at 3082 Creek Drive, S.E. Apt. #1A, Kentwood, Michigan, died November 15, 2001.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to TINA PAIZ, named personal repre-

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#### VERGENNES TOWNSHIP SURVEY

Residents of Vergennes Township are reminded to fill out their pre-stamped Open Space/Natural Features survey and

return it to the township offices by Monday, Jan. 21. Anyone with questions may call 897-5671.

#### WINTER ARTS CLASSES AT LAAC

The Lowell Area Arts Council will be offering Winter Arts Classes for children (ages 5-12) and teens and adults beginning the week of Jan. 21. To receive a listing of the class offerings, call 897-8545 or e-mail: lowellartscouncil@ameritech.net.

## Road Projects, cont'd... From Page 1

\$600,000 for road work. The city plans to pay for the curb work along Bowes Road, and estimated \$50,000-\$60,000, through its general fund. The

curb work along M-21, which grant. That project is esti-scheduled as part of the sum-Reformed Church, is covered 80 percent through a federal

\$150,000.

All of the road work is

is near the Calvary Christian mated at approximately mer projects for the city.

## Alto and Cascade KDL branches present Super Science Saturday

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branches of Kent District Li- presentations and take-home ters were funded by a donabrary offer kids a super way projects. to spend a Saturday - exploring the fascinating world of science. Super Science Saturday comes to the Alto branch at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 12 and to the Cas- learning centers, each with a cade branch at 10 a.m. on different scientific theme, Saturday, Jan. 26. This fun-rotate among the KDL filled hour of science, for ages branches on a two-month basix and up, features hands-on

The Alto and Cascade experiments, informative sis. The Science Safari Cention from the Carol Ann Fleet estate and a grant from the Super Science Saturday goes hand-in-hand with the

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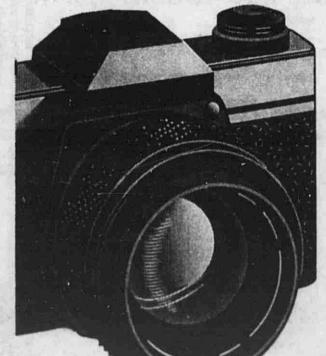
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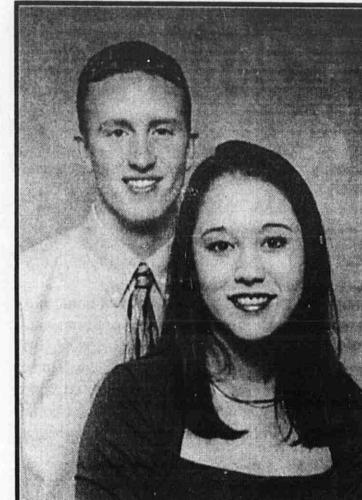
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The future bride is a 1997 graduate from Mt. Pleasant High School and a 2001 graduate of the University of Michigan with a B.S. in biology. She is continuing her studies by pursuing a Ph.D. in microbi ology and immunology.

The groom-to-be is a 1997 graduate of Lowell High School and a 2001 graduate of the University of Michigan with a B.S.E. in civil and environmental engineering. He is currently employed by Structural

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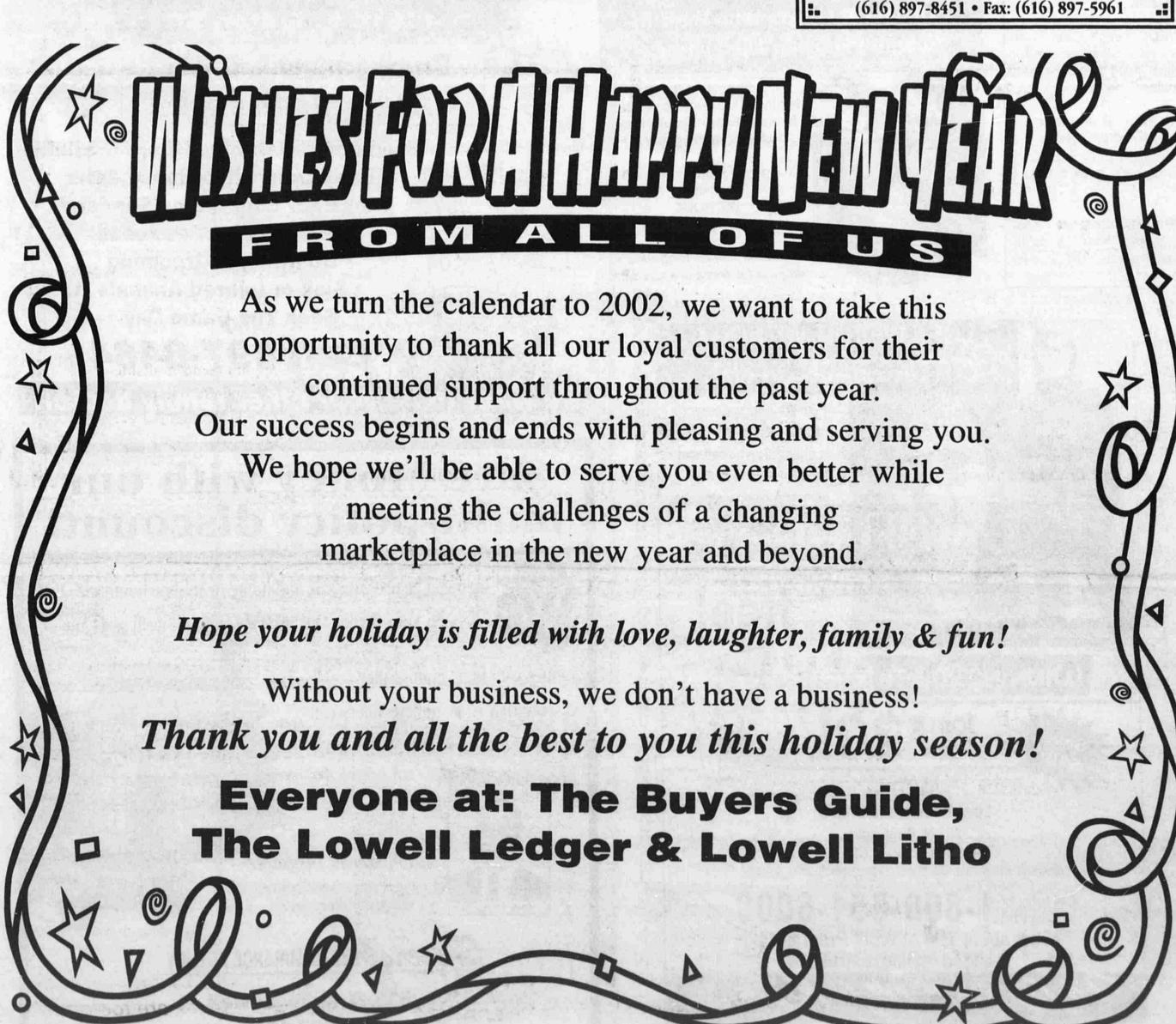
Hives are a skin reaction that are usually red, raised and

skin, hives, difficulty breathing, headache and swelling of the face, tongue or hands. If these symptoms occur while you are exercising, you should stop your routine. If they do not go away in 5 to 10 minutes or if symptoms worsen, call your

While most hive-related disorders are not life-threatening, you may need to be seen by a physician to reverse the symptoms. Often times injectable epinepherine or antihistamines are used. If you do develop this problem of hive-related exercise, pretreatment with medicines prior to your routine may be very effective, and may allow you to continue with your aerobic program.









## Developing a fire escape plan could save a child's life

Protecting your children often means helping them when they're most vulnerable. For many parents in Michigan, "love in action" should involve teaching their youngsters how to escape route and meeting at a designated safe area. escape home fires.

Last year, 37 children under age 10 died due to fire, representing 22.4 percent of all fire deaths – the most for any age group. As a result, they should be given special instructions to avoid fire dangers, says Richard J. Miller, AAA Michigan Community Safety Services manager.

"Once a fire starts, a person has about three minutes to escape the overcoming effects of smoke, poisonous gases or superheated air. On such short notice, residents of a household - and especially children - need to be prepared and even rehearsed to act fast in this terrifying situation." Miller says. offering the following guidelines:

• Develop a fire escape plan and conduct evacuation drills in the home. Exit drills should include use of the primary

• Emphasize the importance of children escaping on their doctor. own and the danger of trying to hide from a fire. Stress getting out fast and staying out.

 Teach children how to phone the local fire department. · Arrange for infants and children to sleep in a bedroom next to parents or older youngsters.

• Teach children the Stop, Drop, Roll and Cool procedure to extinguish flames and lessen burn injuries if their clothes catch fire. In this event, youngsters should: STOP immediately where they are. DROP to the ground. ROLL over and over and over, covering their face and mouth with their hands. (This will prevent flames from burning their face and smoke from

entering their lungs.) Roll over and over until the flames are extinguished. COOL the burn with cool water for 10-15 minutes. Get help from a grown-up and, if needed, see a

· Be aware of children and pets playing near your Christmas tree. The tree could be knocked over, resulting in injury, fire or other damage.

Smoke detectors are your best protection in a home fire, Miller stresses. Install them on every level of your home and especially outside every sleeping area. Test smoke detectors monthly by pushing their test buttons, and install new batteries twice a year when you change your clocks for daylight savings time. "Tragically, last year 75 percent of fatal home fires occurred in homes without detectors or with ones that

## Resident seeks new backboard for high school tennis program

By J. N. Boorsma Contributing Writer

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what the answer will be until you ask. At least for Lowell area resident, David Pedley who

knew it couldn't hurt to ask if the city would help fund a tennis program at the high

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"Tennis is a lifelong There is the age-old phisport," said Perry Beachum, losophy that you never know former president of the Lowell Athletic Boosters. "Currently, the city does not offer

The result has been resinew backboard system for the dents heading to the high

-Henry Ward Beecher

participate in the sport. Currently, the only back-

board system available is at the middle school, which is made of painted-black plywood and does have dead spots, Pedley said. The proany facility for residents to posed system, with a price tag of \$3,800, would be made of a polyurethane with pigmentation through the entire board school or middle school to to prevent peeling and crack-

ing of the color. "Personally, I do have a problem with it being at the

township has no recreation funds available to help with councilmember, Jeanne such a project.

Beachum said Pedley While the city council did came to the council at the recognize that tennis is a liferequest of the Lowell Athlong sport, the group exletic Boosters to see if the pressed concern at funding city would be willing to help something not directly within with the project. Councilmember, Dan

"We have never said no to anything," Beachum said of the Athletic Boosters, who added this probably would be funded by the group as Township and currently the well



Brubaker said he would be

willing to consider something

that was a joint project. Pedley

said he went to Vergennes

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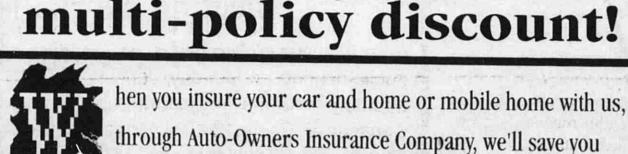
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## Yeazel leads Middleville past Lowell

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

When you get right down to the hardwood, the game of basketball is pretty simple.

"When the basketball is going into the net, everything looks better," Lowell boys basketball coach, Jeff McDonald explained following his club's 59-48 nonconference loss to Middleville.

The Red Arrows could not find the hoop in their point-a-minute first half. Lowell trailed 34-16 after 16 minutes of play.

guns. Brian Yeazel netted 19 of his game-high 27 points in the first half, and senior guard Chris Finkbeiner scored 13 of his 18 points in the opening 16 minutes.

"They probably took more shots than they normally do," said Middleville coach, Kurt Holzhueter. "Brian is shooting like 71 percent from the floor. He usually takes 10-11 shots a game but he hits on 7-8 of them."

Lowell's top scorers in the first half were Zach

Middleville, meanwhile, Beachum and Mark Biener rode on the backs of their top with four points apiece. "We played as well as we have all year in that first half. I'd like to think that we had

something to do with Lowell not looking very good in the first half," Holzhueter said. "However, I think the Lowell team we saw in the second half, especially in the third quarter, is closer to what I expected to see. Give them credit they battled from way

> Down 18, Lowell opened the third quarter on a 12-1 run, cutting Middleville's advantage to seven at 35-28.

> > "Lowell's run forced our kids to play under some pressure," Holzhueter said. "I thought our kids made some big plays down the stretch. Van Spronsen (Justin) hit some big shots and Zeb (Truer) did a good job inside on the boards for us."

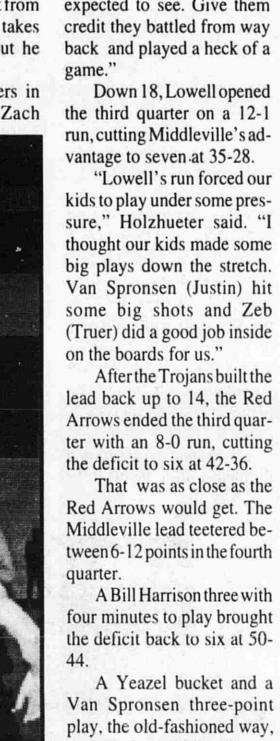
After the Trojans built the lead back up to 14, the Red Arrows ended the third quarter with an 8-0 run, cutting the deficit to six at 42-36.

That was as close as the Red Arrows would get. The Middleville lead teetered between 6-12 points in the fourth

A Bill Harrison three with four minutes to play brought the deficit back to six at 50-

A Yeazel bucket and a Van Spronsen three-point play, the old-fashioned way. pushed the Middleville advantage back to 11 at 55-44.

"Give Middleville creditthey looked like a team that



Red Arrow Sam Oberlin nets a short jumper in the lane in a nonconference high school basketball game against

### Lowell JV icers defeat **South Christian**

The Lowell JV hockey team defeated the Sailors from South Christian by a score of 4-1 on Saturday night, Dec.

Brandon John scored 3 goals with assists from Ted McCoy to lead the way for the Red Arrows. A goal by David Sweeney on an assist from John rounded out the Red Arrow attack.

Lowell lost to Muskegon Catholic Central 4-3.

Corey Kelly scored 2 of Lowell's goals with assists from Brandon John and Ted McCoy. John added the third goal with an assist from McCoy.

Grandville defeated Lowell by a score of 6-3 on Saturday. McCoy put Lowell on top with 3 first period goals but that was the only scoring for the Red Arrows. A fivegoal second period by Grandville and a scoreless third period paved the way to the Grandville win.

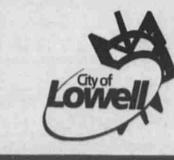
The JV Red Arrows will be on the ice against the Muskegon Fury on Saturday at Kentwood Arena at 9 p.m.

## CITY OF LOWELL **PUBLIC HEARING**

The Lowell City Planning Commission-Citizen Advisory Committee will conduct a public hearing on Monday, January 7, 2002 at 6:30 p.m. at the Englehardt Public Library Community Room, 200 N. Monroe Street, Lowell for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on the following:

To consider a Special Use Permit request from The First United Methodist Church to use 206 N. Jackson (Northeast corner of Jackson and Avery) for Church class rooms, meeting space, parking lot or Church building.

Interested person may submit written comments or appear in person at City Hall, 301 E. Main St., Lowell, MI 49331.



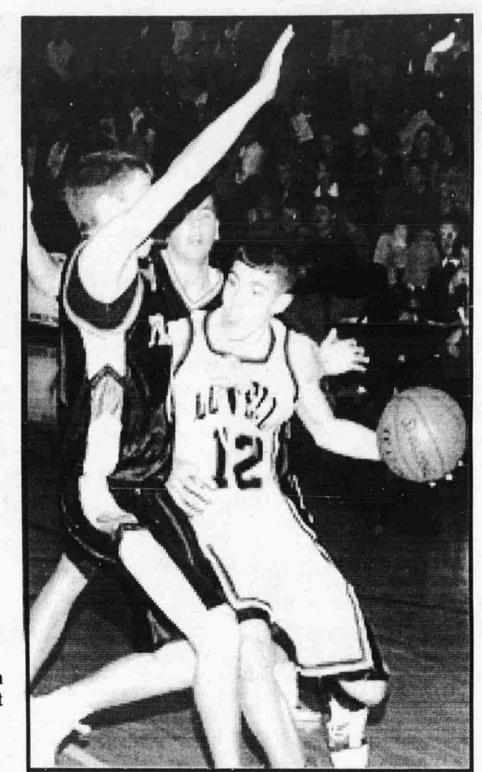
Betty R. Morlock City Clerk 616-897-8457

has played a lot of basketball together. They looked sharp in that first half," McDonald said. "We woke up in the second half. This team continues to show some resilience, but we have to get off to better starts. Defensively, we have to find a way to make our opponents take tougher shots. We have a lot of things to work on." Lowell had three players

in double figures: Bill Harrison tallied 11, and Sam Oberlin and Mike Fosburg each netted 10. The Red Arrows (2-4, 1-

1), following a holiday layoff, will host league-leading Forest Hills Central on Friday (Jan. 4).

Lowell's Zach Beachum dribbles baseline against Middleville pressure.



## VERGENNES TOWNSHIP

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING** 

Public notice is hereby given that the Vergennes Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, January 7, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Dr., Lowell, Michigan 49331, to accept public comment on the following proposed zoning amendments:

A revised rezoning application by Jim and Berdie Cook has been submitted to amend the zoning ordinance map to rezone the following described property from Special Residential (R-3) to Commercial (C): The property consists of 1 parcel of 10 acres at the N.W. corner of Vergennes and Lincoln Lake, parcel #41-16-27-400-053. The parcel being considered is east of the railroad tracks and west of the two presently zoned commercial parcels at the corner of this intersection in the S.E. 1/4 of section 27. This rezoning is a modification of the original request that previously included two parcels to the north.

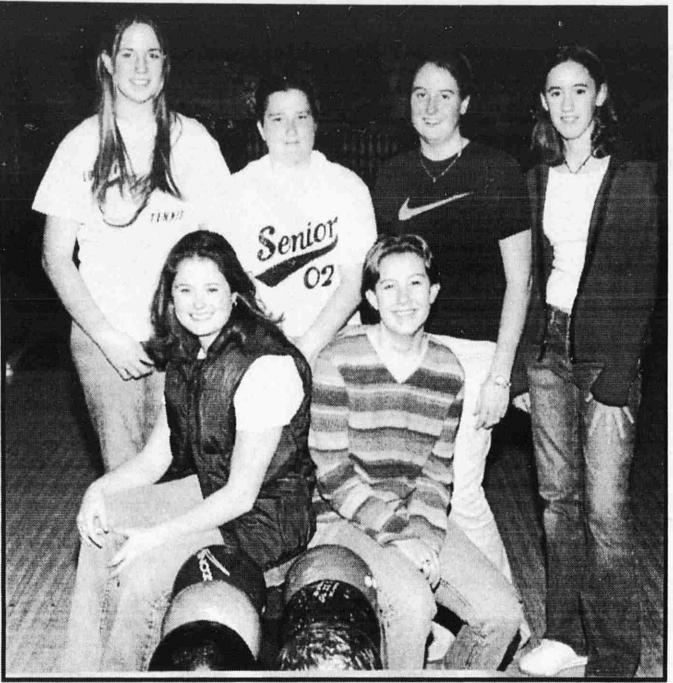
A text amendment is proposed for Article III Sections 201.308 and 201.311 of the commercial district to divide the current uses into permitted uses and special uses, to clarify language detailing residential uses, to add language detailing commercial lot size and width, to add a requirement that applicants must create a landscaping plan and pave drives and parking areas, to add front of building construction materials, to add a building footprint square foot size maximum by right and larger sizes by special use permit, to add a Township Board modification section and to update the bulk table.

A text amendment is proposed for Article II Definitions Section 201.202 to add Adult Use definitions, Article IV General and Special Regulations Section 201.433 to add an Adult Use and Entertainment section regulated as a special exception use permit. Amend Article III Zoning Districts Commercial Section 201.308 (C) (21) to add adult uses as a special exception use.

A text amendment is proposed for Article IV General and Special Regulations Section 201.434 to add a height exception section for flag poles and church spires up to 85 feet tall.

The application for the proposed zoning map and text ordinance amendments is on file at the Vergennes Township Hall and may be inspected during regular office hours between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. Public comments will be accepted at the public hearing and written comments received by mail, in person or in the mail slot located at the office entrance will also be considered if received prior to 6:00 p.m. on January 7, 2002. Comments may also be emailed to zoning@vergennestwp.org.

Vergennes Township Planning Commission



Lowell's girls and boys bowling teams are both defending their 2000-01 league titles. Members of the girls team are Amanda Eickhoff, Rachel Nawrocki, Tara Kuipers, Shawna Austin, Andrea Nawrocki and Laran Cooper. Members of this year's boys' club are D. J. Armstrong, John Stuckey, John DeWit, Nate Sloan, Nate Clark, Jim Denney and Mike Plummer.

Red Arrow grapplers surprised by Vikings; place third at Grandville

By Thaddeus J. Kraus

redemption on their mind.

Michigan Duals.

decisioned Jeff Urban 14-11.

19-3, giving Lowell a 14-3 advantage.

en route to upsetting Lowell 32-31.

are not as good as they thought they were."

Arrow freshman lost a one-point decision 11-10.

In the second battle of state champions, Tri County's

Tri County's Dan Thompson turned the tables on Lowell's

The Vikings reversed their fortunes at 189 as Richard

"We learned today that you have to get the basics right,

Lowell opened up a 9-0 lead after Ben Vaught (HWT)

Brandon Kinney (119) major decisioned Mark Bradley

Froese's win over DeRath started Tri County's come-

pinned Brian Nestle, and freshman Pete LaNore (103)

Seese pinned Lowell's Jason Murray. The pin was decisive as

Ryan Froese evened the score against Ian DeRath with a 7-6

decision. DeRath won a 6-4 decision in overtime at the

Bobby Gingerich at 145 pounds, posting a 6-4 decision.

said Strejc. "If the boys can do that, we'll be okay."

its opening match of Grandville's Frederick Invitational

"You're only as good as your next match."

Lowell Ledger Editor

## Red Arrow clubs shoot to repeat as league's king pins

Lowell lady bowlers.

Senior Amanda Eickhoff

and junior Rachel Nawrocki

158. Tara Kuipers (senior)

and Shawna Austin have av-

eraged 153 and 120 respec-

Laran Cooper fill out the ros-

bad, but not good either."

and 152 respectively.

Andrea Nawrocki and

"Their averages aren't

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By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell's boys and girls time.' bowling teams are nearly mirror images of one another.

Both return all five starters from last year's conference champions clubs and are favored to repeat the feat in 2001-02.

"I would agree that both teams are favored in the league," said Lowell bowling coach, Dave Adrianse. tively. "Both teams will be challenged by Wayland.'

After the opening three ter, carrying averages of 114 weeks of the season, Lowell's girls are atop the league with a record of 78-12. Wayland is 7.5 points behind at 70.5-19.5.

Adrianse explained. "They The Red Arrow boys trail will be better at the end of the Wayland. Wayland is 84-6, year." while Lowell is 74-16.

"We have good groups of

The girls won the district kids on both teams," Adrianse tournament last year, then explained. "The key is to have placed second at the regional both teams peak at the right and 13th in the state tourna-So far this year, junior

The Red Arrow boys club Eva Geldersma is carrying looks to be stronger than a the top average (175) for the

> They are led by senior D.J. Armstrong who is rolling at a 218 clip. John Stuckey is carrying a 205 average followed by John DeWit, 192; Nate Sloan, 179; and Nate Clark, 165.

Newcomers to this year's team are Jim Denney, 142, and Mike Plummer, 182.

The boys' squad placed second in the district last year and just missed qualifying for the state tournament.

## New budget will include raise for township officials and employees

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Edtor

The proposed budget for the 2002-03 Lowell Charter Township fiscal year (begins April 1) shows a little less than a five percent increase over the 2001-02 budget.

The proposed \$603,630 budget includes a five percent increase for the township's appointed and elected officials and employees.

A public hearing on the budget will be held on Jan. 7 at

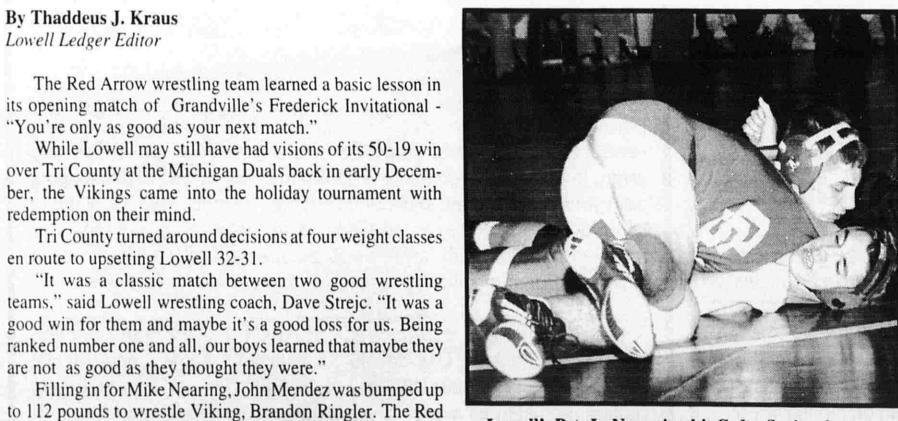
The township board's four trustees will see a pay ncrease of \$3 - from \$63 to \$66 per meeting. An increase of \$896 will raise the township's three

salaried officials (supervisor, clerk and treasurer) from \$17,920 to \$18,816.

The total cost for all the increases will come to less than 5,000, according to Linda Regan, township clerk.

Regan noted that the township is run very conservatively and has no extravagant expenses.

Along with its staff members, the township's payroll includes its Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals and the Board of Review.



Lowell's Pete LaNore pins his Cedar Springs' counterpart during Lowell's 58-12 win.

DeLiefde, and Brian Poulson (135) pinned Red Arrow Nathan Luebs, giving the Vikings an 18-14 advantage.

Kevin Fraser's 9-0 decision against Scott Deekers (140) tied the contest at 18-18.

Wins by Thompson and Ron Kriek gave Tri County a 26-18 advantage. Kriek (152) defeated Lowell's Braton Fredline

it gave the Vikings a 32-25 advantage with just one match to Lowell battled back to within one at 26-25 following J.J. Wilder's (160) 7-3 decision over Drew Mourer and Mike Forward's (171) 16-4 win over Matt Teesdale. The match concluded with Ben Fleet (215) pinning Braton

In other matches Lowell defeated Lansing Eastern,

Grandville "B" and Cedar Springs. Lowell's 58-12 win over Cedar Springs secured a third place finish for the Red Arrows.

Tri County lost to Grandville in the championship match back. Trailing 14-6, Mark Cole (130) pinned Lowell's Jayme



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1ST SUN. OF EACH MON.: Family Council of Laurels of Kent volunteer group meets at 3 p.m. to discuss enhancing the lives of residents and staff, promoting a more pleasant living and working environment in the home. Public is invited to attend.

phone at 897-9261

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 call 676-1355 for details.

SECOND MON. OF EACH 1ST TUES .: WINGS Par-Old Belding Rd., 1 p.m. following senior meal. Come knit & crochet or learn the craft. Get to know your neighbors. Call Lana at 691-8450 for info.

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.

EVERY1STMON.: V.F.W Post #8303 meets at V.F.W. Clubroom, 307 E. Main St., Lowell, 7:30 p.m.

meets at Lowell Congre-

meets at noon at Lowell TUES.: Take Off Pounds Masonic Temple.

pers" (senior adults) meets FIRST AND THIRD other times by appointat Franciscan Life Process THURS.: The Alto Lions ment. Call 676-9346. Center from 1-3:30 p.m. Club meets at Bowne Cen-\$10 per week. Transporta- ter Fellowship Hall, corner LOWELL AREA HISTORI-TUES: Walking-exercise tion available. Call Pat at of 84th & M-50 (Alden program at 9 a.m. in

1ST TUES.: Adults with EVERY SECOND WED.: AD/HD at Calvin College,7- G.F.W.C. Lowell Women's 9 p.m. No cost. All welcome. Club meets at 12 p.m. in 897-5981 for info. For info. call Gary Engle at 897-6325 or 248-2423.

MONTH: Needlecraft Day ent Group meetings from EVERY FOURTH WED .: 3:30 p.m. at the V.F.W. COUNCIL: Open Tues., at Grattan Twp. Hall, 12050 7:30 to 9 p.m., usually in Elderly volunteers needed Post, 307 W. Main St., Low- Wed. & Fri.: noon - 5 p.m.; Board Room at 300 High to participate in the ell. St. Business meetings are Intergenerational program on odd months & program with school-age children EVERY THIRD THURS .: meetings on even months. from Lowell in seasonal Parents Supporting Par-Open to any interested

FOURTH TUES .: Knights the Franciscan Child Deof Columbus #7719 meets velopment St. Mary School, 7:30 p.m. 897-7842.

Masons are welcome.

**EVERY 1ST & 3RD TUES.:** 6:30 p.m. at Look Memo-

ents of children with AD/ dues, no weigh-ins. HD Issues Group meeting

EVERY 1ST TUES: Adults THURS.: Weight Watch-Connie 942-6887.

6:45-8:45 p.m. G.E.M.S. 800-651-6000. Girls Club - Calvary Christian Reformed Church. Girls ages 8-13. 897-8694.

Notices in The Ledger's "Com- EVERY MON .: Boy Scout EVERY WED .: Pioneer denominational help for Club meets at Alto Public Troop 102, for boys 11 & Clubs 6:30-8 p.m. Ever- pregnant women and ado- Library from 6:30 p.m. - 8 to any nonprofit organization up or completing the 5th- green Missionary Church, lescents at the school. From p.m. in the Lowell, Ada, Alto, and grade, meet 7 to 8:30 p.m. 10501 Settlewood Dr. Chil- 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.; on Mon-Saranac areas. We prefer during the school year in drenages 4 thru 7th grade. days from 5:30 - 8 p.m. SECOND SAT.: Lowell Phone 897-9393.

COMNGEVENTS

Grand Rapids Machine N.A.R.F.E. meets 1:30 p.m. 5-17 \$1.50; members are Knitters Club meets at TUES .: Flat River Kentwood Library, 4799 2700 E. Fulton. Kalamazoo Ave. SE at LAAC from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Call Sara Coates 365-949-8655 for info.

> the community room at Schneider Manor, 725 EVERY Bowes Rd.

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EVERY SECOND TUES .: EVERY FOURTH WED .: Royal Arch Masons regu-Lowell Masonic Lodge Support group for Periph- lar meeting at 7:30 p.m. at regular meeting, 7:30 p.m. eral neuropathy meets at 4 the Lowell Masonic Cenat the Masonic Center, 119 p.m. at St. Paul's Anglican ter, 119 Lincoln Lake, Lincoln Lake, Lowell. All Church, 2560 Lake Michi- Lowell. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. gan Dr. N.W., Grand

Lowell Lions Club meets at EVERY WED.: Overeaters Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. at rial Fire Station, S. Hudson. Forest Hills Presbyterian Church, 7495 Cascade Rd. EVERY 3RD TUES .: Par- (at 36th St.) No fees, no

Rapids. Call 897-9794.

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with AD/HD Issues Group ers meets at Lowell meeting at Calvin College Nazarene Church, 201 N. Rm. 206 of the Commons Washington, at 5:30 and bldg. For information call 7 p.m. Registration begins 1/2 hour before meetings. New members are invited

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THURS .: Lowell V.F.W.

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**EVERY THIRD THURS.:** 

**EVERY THIRD THURS.:** LaLeche League of Ada, 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 752-8300 for

gram at 9 a.m. in Grattan Twp. Hall, 12050 Old Belding Rd. No charge. Call Lana 691-8450 for info.

SECOND SAT. OF EV-ERY MONTH: The Ada Historical Society meets at the Averill Historical Mu-EVERY OTHER WED .: to join at any time. Call 1- seum of Ada, 7144 Headley at 1 p.m.

Center, 402 Amity St., non- ogy - The Alto Family Tree

Amateur Radio Club meets at Lowell High School. 9 club examines theater-re- a.m. meeting. LARC spon-

ell Middle School choir EVERY FRI. & SAT.: Averill Historical Museum of Ada at 7144 Headley is open from 1 to 4 p.m. Open

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> MOOSE: Business meeting held the third Monday SECOND of each month at 7:30 p.m.

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the Family Fare parking

THURS., JAN. 3: YMCA Spirit League clinic for 5th & 6th grade girls at 5:30 p.m. in Cherry Creek Gym. For more info., call Dan at 897-8445 ext. 705.

THURS., JAN. 10: Finan-

MON., JAN. 7: Lowell Athletic Boosters meeting in high school staff lounge at 7 p.m.Please attend and support our athletes.

TUES., JAN. 8: Lowell Area Historical Museum docent training at 7 p.m. If interested in volunteering, call Judy at 897-7688.

cial Aid Night at 7 p.m. in Performing Arts Center at Lowell High School, Find out how to apply for grants, scholarships and certain loans. For juniors, seniors and their parents.

> SAT., MARCH 16: Grattan Twp. "Family, Friends and Neighbors Committee Craft Show at Grattan Academy, 9 a.m.-3p.m. Now looking for vendors/crafters; reserve your booth now. Call 691-7778.



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

WED.: Varied activities.

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Shop at the Malls: 9:30

a.m. Crafts; 1 p.m. Eu-

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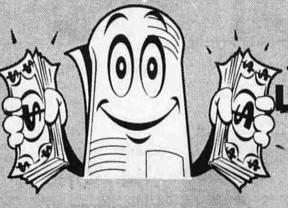
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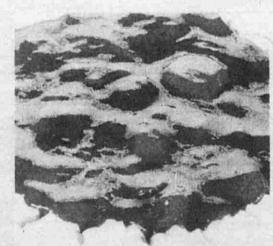
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