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The Link: Proposed trail would be the connector to all points in Lowell

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

It may be the community project, supported by the Englehardt Lowell Area Community Fund, that is remembered for bringing all the governmental entities and the school district together toward one common goal.

A \$25,000 grant to develop a master plan for a trail system connecting Lowell and Vergennes townships, the city of Lowell and Lowell Area Schools was awarded to the Lowell Area Recreational Authority.

Ideally, when all is complete, the trailway will be the link that connects Stoney Lakeside Park, Recreation Park, Creekside Park, Bushnell Elementary, Lowell Middle School, Cherry Creek Elementary, Lowell High School, the Wittenbach Center, Fallasburg Park area and the North Country Trail.

"It's a high priority for several and it's a good project to submit that brings together all the governmental entities," said Pery Beachum, chairman of the Lowell Area Recreational Authority.

The authority is comprised of two residents each from Lowell and Vergennes townships, a school representative, and a YMCA representative.

The master plan will look at cost and provide a road map for the completion of the trail.

"The master plan will help determine if this can be done in one big shot or three phases," Beachum explained. "Neither the city nor the townships are looking to make big investments in the trail's construction. We will look to matching grants and government agencies."

Lowell Area Trailway was one of 12 grants, totaling \$225,970, approved by the community fund advisory committee.

"The community of Lowell is incredibly fortunate to have the on-going support of the Lowell Area Community Fund," said Dave Pasquale, the fund's volunteer chairman. "Month to month, year to year, this legacy continues to improve Lowell and the lives of its residents."

Since the fund was established as a donor-advised fund in 1996 with a \$12.7 million bequest from Englehardt, its advisory committee has recommended grants totaling more than \$2.5 million. Today, the principal of the fund is worth more than \$15 million.

City Hall-police station clock tower: \$30,000 to provide a more visible landmark by raising the proposed clock tower an additional 25 feet.

Historic District Commission: \$25,000 to put a new roof on the Lowell Area Historical Museum.

Schneider Manor: \$17,170 for community room improvements.

Lowell Leadership Institute and Spirit of Community: \$16,300 for a leadership development program.

Lowell Area Schools: \$14,000 for new video production equipment.

Character and Diversity Initiative: \$10,000 for a character development program.

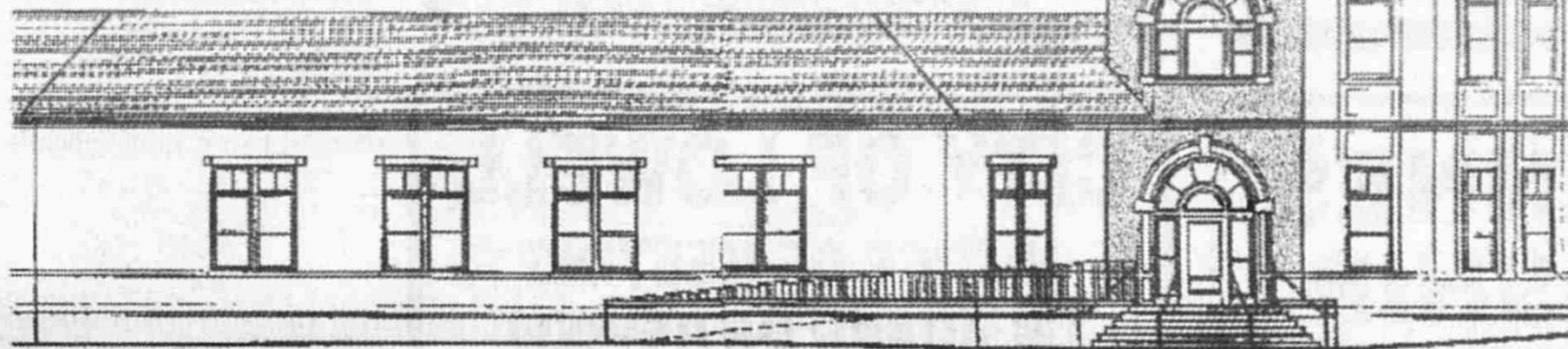
Lowell Community Summer Tennis Program: \$4,500 to improve affordability of the program.

Lowell Showboat Summer Concert Series: \$10,000 to help provide a free, 10-week summer

concert series.

Lowell Area Cultural Enrichment: \$4,000 to support marketing efforts and publish a monthly community calendar.

"Seven years after his death, the bequest of Mr. Englehardt continues to improve schools, raise landmarks, and make life better for the citizens of Lowell," said Molly Parker, Community Foundation's vice president of development.



The above sketch shows a view of the new clock tower from a Monroe Street perspective. The building to the right of the clock (running south) is City Hall. To the clock's left is the police station.

Other grants approved were:

Grand River Riverfront Park: \$60,000 for research, engineering, landscaping and park improvements.

Familiar, yet new, general manager to guide Zeigler through major renovation

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Following a week afloat on a Caribbean cruise with his family, Charlie Jeffrey hit the ground running as Harold

After 16 years, Jeffrey says he also has a clue about the business and how it works.

Jeffrey spent 13 1/2 years at the Lowell dealership before leaving two 1/2 years ago to take a general manager position at Wayland Chevrolet.

dition measures 86 by 70 feet. The face-lift will take a lengthy six to nine months to complete.

The new look will be similar to Harold Zeigler Ford's Elkhart, Ind., dealership and to the Chrysler deal-

ing communities of Ionia, Saranac, Clarksville and Belding," Jeffrey said.

The expansion will offer a drive-through service area. "Customers will no longer have to walk from their car into the service area. They

car sales offices will be located in the same building (pushed back further to the north). The current used car facility will be removed. "We will be a sales team rather than departments," Jeffrey explained.

As for the outside display lot, the new cars will be relocated to the west side of the building, allowing for longer rows of new cars (more inventory). The used cars will be parked on the east side.

A.J. Veneklasen, Inc. will be the general contractor for the construction project.



Charlie Jeffrey



Zeigler Ford's newest general manager.

"This is home. Lowell is where my son goes to school, my family lives and where people know me by name," Jeffrey said in explaining why he took the job. "There's value in a familiar face and name."

While Jeffrey's rehiring is significant, it will not be the biggest change the 27-year-old Lowell dealership will undertake this year.

In March, groundbreaking for a \$1 million facility renovation will take place. The proposed ad-

ership in Plainwell.

"Harold Zeigler has been in Lowell a long time. This provides an opportunity to bring us up-to-date and improve the facility, thanks to the support of the Lowell community, as well as the outly-

will be able to drive into a heated dry area," Jeffrey said. The service area will also be expanded to eight bays.

As for the enlarged showroom, it will be able to display up to four cars.

Both the new and used

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OBITUARIES

DAVERMAN - Gary Duane Daverman, aged 66, of Gowen, formerly of Lowell, passed away February 14, 2002. He was preceded in death by his wife Star. Mr. Daverman is survived by his children Duane Daverman of Grand Rapids, Micki (John) Osburn of Gowen, Damian (Tom) Knofsky of IN, John (Kendra) Harris of Grand Rapids, Delaire (Ed) Tibbetts of AL, Ramsey (Sandy) Harris of KY, Dresdan Taylor of Cadillac; mother Claudia

Daverman of Lowell; sister Beverly (Ernie) Kaufman of Lowell; also several grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held Monday at Roth-Gerst Chapel, Lowell, Rev. Gordie Barry of the First United Methodist Church officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association.

ELLIOTT - Lois Lorraine Elliott, aged 72, of Lowell, passed away Tuesday, Feb.

12, 2002. She was preceded in death by her husband John and granddaughter Tracy Grof. Mrs. Elliott is survived by her children Jacqueline (Barry) Rinks, Karen (Dr. Michael) Grof, John (Wanda) Elliott, Jennifer (Mike) Deiss; grandchildren Lisa Rinks, Barry (Nicole) Rinks, Melissa and Matt Grof, Nikki and Justin Elliott, Samantha Deiss; great-grandchildren Justin and Collin; Emerson and Ellery Graves; sister Betty Vining. Lois will be remembered for her passion of Michigan lighthouses. Funeral services were held Saturday at First United Methodist Church of Lowell, Rev. Gordie Barry officiating. Memorial contributions may

be made to Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan, GLLKA General Fund, 333 West Fort St., Suite 2010, Detroit, MI 48226-3134.

SMITH - Alvis M. Smith, aged 79, of Alto, died Monday, February 18, 2002. He is survived by his wife Nina; children Janice Marcell of CA, Robert (Jan) Smith of Kent City, Pamela (John) Brummel of Alto, Kenneth Smith of NH; grandchildren Mike and Ron Marcell, Brett Smith, Shannon (Glenn) Crabtree, Jennifer and Jonathan Brummel; four great-grandchildren; sister-in-law Jessie Smith of OK; several loving nieces and neph-

ews. Mr. Smith was a member of Evergreen Missionary Church, American Legion-Carl Johnson Post, and an avid bowler. Funeral service will be held Tuesday, February 26 at 11 a.m. at Evergreen Missionary Church, 10501 Settlewood, Lowell. Rev. Glenn Marks officiating. Visitation Monday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at Roth-Gerst Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association-Empysemata.

WILLINGHAM - Tom (Joey) A. Willingham Jr., aged 16, of Lowell, as a result of accidental injuries, went to be with his Lord and to be reunited with his mother Laura DeRuiter, on February 13, 2002. He is survived by his foster parents Edgar and Lila Veinbergs; father Tom (Gleanna) Willingham; sisters Jessica Willingham and Joey's special friend Doug Winglar, Kaire VanBeek, Jamie Stokes, Sara Veinbergs, Anna Veinbergs; brothers David (Vanessa), Peter, James, Kaleb Veinbergs; grandmother Jewell DeRuiter; uncle Calvin DeRuiter; two nephews. Funeral services were held Saturday at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Lowell, Rev. Terry Genzink of the Messiah Christian Reformed Church officiating. Interment Rosedale Memorial Park. Memorial contributions may be made to the Tom (Joey) Memorial Fund.

WILBUR - Beatrice Anna (Mumford) Wilbur passed away peacefully at her home on February 16, 2002. She was born March 6, 1908 in Lowell. Mrs. Wilbur was preceded in death by her husbands Robert Mumford and William Wilbur, and her sons Robert and David Mumford. She was also preceded in death by her parents Bertha and James Carey; her sisters Edna Mason and Beulah Shiels and brother Everett Carey. Surviving are her granddaughter Margaret (David) Atwood; sisters-in-law Pauline Eskes and June Barber; nieces Gay (Vern) Nauta, Jenean (Dan) Hoffman, Shirley (Len) Wells, Alice Mason, Betty (Bud) Rolfe, Pat (Fred) Chapman, Marilyn (Art) Fox, MaryAnn (Jim) Orrison, Marcia Barber; nephews Ron (Verla) Carey, James (Jo) Shiels; stepson William Wilbur; special friend Charles Briggs; two great-grandchild-

ren; special caregivers Carol Kelly and Shannon Vos. Bea owned and operated the Little Red Barn Antiques in Lowell. Funeral services were held Monday at Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell, Rev. Wendell Calson of Bella Vista Church officiating. Interment Woodlawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Heartland Hospice, 500 Cascade West Parkway SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546.

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NOTICE BOARD OF REVIEW

THE BOARD OF REVIEW OF VERGENNES TOWNSHIP WILL MEET AT THE VERGENNES TOWNSHIP HALL 10381 BAILEY DRIVE, LOWELL, MI, 49331 ON MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2002

between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., and also on

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2002

between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the tax roll and hearing all claims.

You may appeal your assessed valuation one of two ways:

To appear at the Board of Review, call 897-5671 on Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for an appointment to appear in person.

By letter addressed to:
 Vergennes Township Assessor
 P.O. Box 208
 Lowell, MI 49331-0208
 Mari Stone
 Vergennes Township Clerk

CITY OF LOWELL NOTICE OF MEETING OF BOARD OF REVIEW

The Lowell City Board of Review will meet to receive and review the various Assessment Rolls for 2002 at City Hall on:

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2002 AT 9:00 A.M.

A second meeting, for the purpose of hearing appeals and a continuation thereof, will be held at City Hall on:

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2002 FROM 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M., AND 1:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. AND 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M., if necessary.

Appeals may be made by letter or on forms available at City Hall. Letters and/or forms must be submitted not later than March 8, 2002. A personal appearance is not required.

The following ratios and multipliers are expected for Real and Personal Property assessments:

Commercial Property	50.00%	1.0000
Industrial Property	50.00%	1.0000
Residential Property	50.00%	1.0000
Personal Property	50.00%	1.0000



C. Jeanne Shores, Mayor
 James Marfia, Assessor

NOTICE TO THE CITIZENS OF LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP AND THE PUBLIC

In accordance with Public Act 168 of 1959, as amended, the Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on March 25, 2002, at 7:00 p.m. at the Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash Avenue S.E., Lowell, Michigan. The purpose of the hearing will be to consider comments on the 2002 Master Plan for Lowell Charter Township. This proposed Plan is intended to serve as a guide to the future development of Lowell Charter Township and contains recommendations about future land use and methods to implement the Plan.

Anyone wishing to comment on this Plan is invited to attend this meeting. Copies of the Plan may be reviewed at the Lowell Charter Township offices, 2910 Alden Nash Avenue S.E., Lowell, Michigan 49331.

John Cornish, Chairman
 Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission

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RECOGNIZES THIS SEMESTER'S HONOR ROLL STUDENTS

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Reflections Of Faith

Pastor Joe Fremer
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Once a man was driving along when he saw an imposing building with an inscription in the granite above the door: Center for the study of unclear medicine. "Well, how about that!" he thought

to himself. "Finally someone has the guts to admit that much of medical science is still pretty mysterious!" Then he looked again and realized he had misread it; really, it said, nuclear medicine.

Misinterpretation makes life interesting. It's a wonder Homo sapiens can communi-

cate at all, especially considering we come in two genders who think differently all the time and seem to be speaking a different language half the time (while still using English words and grammar!). Actions are especially prone to misinterpretation. A lot of the talking we do is for the purpose of clearing up misunderstandings.

That's why we need God to speak to us. If we try to figure Him out based on what's happening in the world around us, our limitations, our self-centeredness, will lead us to false conclusions about Him. If it's a sunny, pleasant day on Tuesday, we might feel that He loves us. If Wednesday brings a nasty blizzard, we might decide that

He has turned against us. If we do that long enough, we might conclude that God is asleep at the wheel, or an almighty lunatic who can't make up His mind how He feels about us.

The letter to the Hebrews begins, "In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son." Where life's ups and downs seem to send a garbled message, the Man who is God steps in and clears things up.

When He was fasting in the wilderness, Jesus was tempted by Satan: "Turn these stones into bread." He answered, "Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God." Jesus knew that real living is only possible when we have a clear communication from God. The deepest need of H. sapiens is to find an answer to this question: What does God think of me? Fortunately, we have an answer - one that is not garbled by wishful thinking or subjective mis-

interpretation. That answer is Jesus, the innocent Son of God: hanging on the cross, dying our death, suffering our hell, paying our penalty, absorbing our guilt. He is the ultimate statement by God: This is how I feel about you. This is how much I love you. He has made His heart for you painfully clear.

He has spoken; it's your turn now. Talk to Him about it. . . could be the start of the most important conversation you'll ever have!



Madeline and Frank Barnhart

Barnharts celebrate 65th anniversary

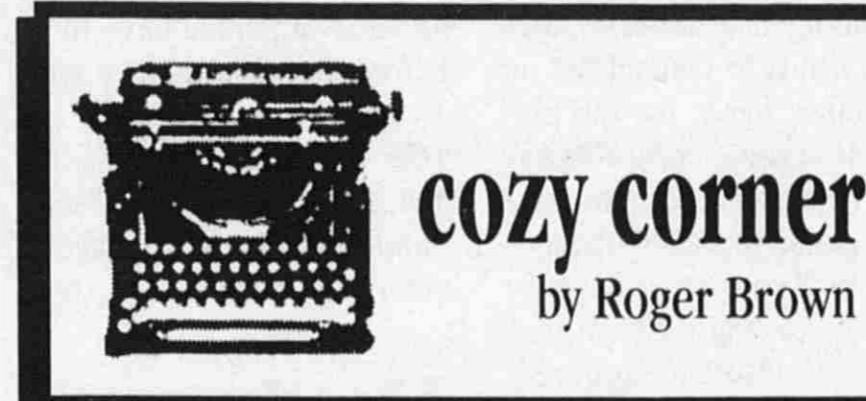
Frank and Madeline Barnhart, of Middleville, will observe their 65th wedding anniversary on March 6, 2002. A family dinner honoring this occasion will be held on

March 3 with their children, Gaye Washburn, Connie (Jerry) Winterburn, Jim (Barb) Barnhart and Ann (Dan) Huver.

The couple have 12 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

G.M. Ross

Viewpoint . . .



cozy corner
by Roger Brown

Cloning is back in the news. Seems some outfit down in Texas has cloned a cat. They've named the kitten "cc" and say the company would like to start cloning favorite pets for people. No lie. If you have a beagle that likes to yelp in the middle of the night, waking all your neighbors, you can now perpetuate that adorable trait by cloning old "Snoopy."

My wife said it was too bad this technology wasn't around

TO THE EDITOR

Dear Ledger,

Oftimes have I wondered if I did too much LSD in the hippy days. This occurred to me most recently when reading about a proposal for a Renaissance Zone at 96 and Alden Nash to make Grooters Development's dreams come true.

It has been nine long years this winter since Planning Commission and Board screwed the . . .uh, did a shake and bake on our master plan to accommodate a developer who had gotten an option lock on a lot of land down there. What is a more natural function of township government, to make it as easy as possible? Watching that caper was part of my epiphany to be anti-zoning, with a powerful urge to cash in on laissez-faire too. Actually, however, if I had not been so consumed with cosmic events in those days, there would have been a little seminar on "spot zoning" entitled enigmatically, "Summons and Complaint." Not as easy to blow off as a letter to the editor.

One of my mentors used to say until I was deaf - Read the statute. There might be fascinating case law. Destiny, m'boy, destiny.

Sharing The Vision

BERT BLEKE
Lowell Schools Superintendent

In our life we have all faced threats only to escape relatively unharmed. That escape leaves us with an overwhelming feeling of relief in knowing that regardless of the bumps and bruises, we will live to face another day. It also allows for reflection in knowing that a few twists of fate could have produced a much more harmful outcome.

It is this mixed feeling of relief and reflection that I've experienced over the past several days regarding our school district's budget. For many months there was considerable talk that school districts throughout the state would be subject to severe economic reductions due to the national and state recession. The Lowell Area Schools faced a possible \$2.4 million dollar reduction. My feeling of relief is due to Gov. Engler's announcement that a one-time-only fix would avoid the massive school reductions for the 2002-2003 school year.

This effort by Gov. Engler is very much appreciated. Yet it has also left us with the full knowledge that while things could have been worse, we still face a very uncertain future. At present, it appears that our district will face a deficit of approximately \$550,000 in the next school year. This is a result of our increasing operational costs. Thus while we will be in a position where we will have to reduce expenses, the good news is that our reductions will be manageable and nowhere near the magnitude we had feared.

We must be realistic about the future. We realize the governor's action can only delay the inevitable if our economy does not improve. Thus it is the responsibility of our Board of Education and our administrative team to continue futuristic budget planning, always preparing for the worst, yet hoping for the best. It is really no different than what each of us do with our own budgets at home when we face uncertain economic times.

Your comments about this concern or any issue would be greatly appreciated. Send to Bert Bleke, Lowell Area Schools, 300 High St., Lowell, MI 49331 or bbleke@remc.k12.mi.us. (check out our web page at www.lowell.k12.mi.us)

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- FEBRUARY 21:** Betsy Vezino, Ashton VanderWarf, Kimberly Sterzick, Robin Martin.
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- FEBRUARY 23:** Joe Ellis, Heather Essich, Sharon Miles.
- FEBRUARY 24:** Cliff Mulder, Amy Aksamitowski, Tarah Essich, Lizzy Decker.
- FEBRUARY 25:** Brett Taylor, Susan Miesal.
- FEBRUARY 26:** Jeremy Goff, Barry Vezino, Bob Ford, Nancy Porter, Leslie Rash.
- FEBRUARY 27:** Joshua Soyka, Justin Soyka.

If we were all determined to play the first violin we should never have a full ensemble. Therefore respect every musician in his proper place.
—Robert Schumann

earlier so I could have cloned Thor. My big yellow Lab left us over two years ago, but if you read this column prior to his passing, you know all about Thor. His "bad dog" antics turned up in this space very, very regularly. I told my wife that she must think I'm really crazy, and/or stupid, to think I'd actually put myself through a life with another Thor. I always said he was a "natural born bad dog." Somehow a "cloned bad dog" wouldn't be quite the same.

Back to cloning pets. Why cats? Cats are everywhere. There are "free kittens" signs along the road and in newspaper ads all the time. The animal shelters are overrun with stray cats. You don't even have to go looking for them. If you leave food out, as in the case of our dogs who never finish what is in their bowls, cats simply show up for the handouts. I think Max and Tito have this figured out. Leave a little food in your bowl and you can chase the cats that come in for a free lunch. There you have it, proof positive proof that dogs are smarter than cats.

Now that we've established that the world is overpopulated with cats, we should know where they come from. It's called reproduction and, fortunately for you readers, I learned all about it in ninth grade biology taught by Mr. Sinn at Saranac High School. Mr. Sinn (Mike) was known affectionately by his students as "Rabbit" because of his unusually large ears. That has nothing to do with this story, but as nicknames go, Rabbit is pretty funny. Just thought I'd share that with you.

If you have young people in the room, you may want to cover their ears as we discuss this reproduction business. In the case of cats, reproduction goes something like this. Several male cats congregate around a female. They all get together and make terrible unearthly noises. This ritual always takes place in the middle of the night and always in your backyard. Eventually one of the male cats wins the stupid noise contest and pairs off with the female. Several weeks later a "free kittens" sign goes up in your yard. That's reproduction. Reproduction is rampant throughout the animal kingdom. Only certain, now extinct species do not practice it. Reproduction basics are universal, even with humans. Human males congregate around available females in places like bars where there is lots of loud music. The males drink Budweisers, buy pina colodas for the female and ask her to dance. Eventually one of the males does the "funky chicken" better than the

others. He then gets to pair off with the female. Nine months later, an "It's a Boy!" or "It's a Girl!" sign goes up in the yard. Voila . . . reproduction. You can uncover the youngun's ears now.

Back to my "Why Cats?" question. You may think I am simply not fond of cats. You may be right. My feelings regarding cats are best summed up by a comment I once heard on ESPN's Sportscenter. The singer, songwriter, musician named "Sting" had performed at some sporting event. The wiseguy commentator on Sportscenter made the following observation, "I don't know about you, but this new music Sting is churning out makes me want to go kill my neighbor's cat." That statement also accurately sums up my post-police feelings about Sting. I'm not sure what Sting music and cat killing have in common, but the joke connected with me. I laughed so hard I nearly wet myself. Now every time a Sting song comes on the radio or he makes a TV appearance, I feign going on a cat hunt.

It has become a family tradition made even better by the fact my wife loves Sting. Years ago, back when potato cannons were all the rage, I got into trouble over cats. A friend and I came up with the idea of finding houses with "free kittens" signs in the yard and cleaning them out. Our theory was that blasting kittens out of our potato cannon would be great fun. I wrote about our idea in this column. It was only a joke, but readers resoundingly chastised me none the less. The lesson was learned, I don't write about that kind of stuff anymore. Oops. So, again I ask the question . . . why cats? Why go to the trouble of cloning something that is already abundant, pretty much useless and obviously capable of reproducing on its own. At least with that cloned sheep we can get a sweater or two out of the deal . . . maybe a set of seat covers for the car.

I guess the experts are right about this cloning business. The whole idea of tampering with nature is going to bring about serious moral and ethical questions for the science community. Not the least of which is whether we should bring any more cats into the world. I have no idea what ever happened to Mr. Sinn. If I knew how to get in touch with him, I'd like his take on cloning animals. If I were a gambler man, I'd bet he'd lean away from cloning cats and more toward rabbits.

Ledger Entries
of 125, 100, 75, 50 & 25 Years Ago

By Priscilla Lussmyer

125 YEARS THE WEEKLY JOURNAL
FEBRUARY 21, 1877

Oysters sell for 12 cents a bushel at Annapolis, Maryland; here they go for 25 cents a dish.

"A man who has owed this office \$5 since 1872 called last week and said he hadn't forgotten it."

The Street Committee decides not to fill in the area between the bridges. Both street and sidewalk are in "sorry condition" there.

Burns Lake at Grattan produces a 19-pound pickerel for William Dugs.

U.S. Revenue officials are finding "condensers" in West Michigan which are really distillers for making cider brandy. Several people have been arrested.

100 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER
FEBRUARY 21, 1902;
This issue is missing, as well as every issue until May 1902; we substitute columns from the first year Ledger Entries was published, 1987-8.

114 YEARS FEBRUARY 24, 1888

Ionia, Newaygo and Lenawee counties voted dry last Monday (so did Boston Township). That makes 31 counties in Michigan so far.

The Hastings-Freeport Stage run is no more.

The Saranac column notes a sycamore brought to the sawmill in five 12-foot logs by O.J. Bretz, scaled out to 5,923 board feet.

There are 300 teams which pass over the Grand River iron bridge every day.

South Boston Breezes reports that hoop poles are not as numerous at the hoop factory as they once were.

75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER AND THE ALTO SOLO FEBRUARY 24, 1927

Runciman's Brown Seed Company will move from the Chase Furniture building (soon to be torn down) to the Veneer building of the Peckham Furniture Co. near the railroad tracks on the east side of Lowell.

About a hundred voters show up at the village caucus; in the only contest, Floyd Steed wins the treasurer post over Maude McTavish.

Vergennes #7 P.T. A. votes to have the services of a rural music teacher for the (Bennett) school.

Dr. John Marshall of the University of California says that Americans are ruining their health by eating canned foods.

The Ledger changes publication time from Thursday afternoon to Thursday forenoon in time for the morning deliveries. The reason given is reduced train service.

50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER
FEBRUARY 21, 1952

Harry Briggs, Harold Englehardt and Carl Munroe are appointed to the 40-member grand jury to investigate organized crime in West Michigan, among other things.

The first grass fire of the season, fanned by wind, is put out by neighbors and the fire department pumper.

The school board shifts a home ec class to a newly-acquired house to accommodate the increased numbers of first-graders this year.

Showboat applies to council to build a steel framework over Lafayette Street on which 500 seats can easily be mounted for Showboat week.

Latest scam feeding on world tensions is the "radiation-proof overall" sold by hucksters.

25 YEARS THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER
FEBRUARY 24, 1977

Gem Survey is chosen by the city to appraise all Lowell properties this summer.

The local license-plate sales, at Western Auto the past 20 years, will be closed in June. Henceforth, all license plates will be sold at Secretary of State offices by civil servants.

Only 84 persons show up at the School Board information session on the proposed cuts in service if the millage vote fails in March.

Gow Ramjee's patented "Traffik-Bak" signs, designed for the backs of standard traffic signs to carry messages sponsored by businesses and organizations, are installed in Saranac for starters.

LEGAL EASE

By Jonathan David



DEAR JONATHAN: I set up a living trust last year and one of the assets I transferred to the trust was my house. I have now decided to move. Do I need to transfer my house out of the trust back to me when I find a buyer for my house, or can my trust sell the house?

JONATHAN SAYS: If your trust is in fact the current titleholder to your home, then the trust can be the seller of record at the time you close on the sale of your house. There is no need to transfer the house from the trust back to you, then have you be the seller of

record. At the time of the closing, however, the title insurance company will want you to provide it with a certificate of trust existence and authority, which is a document that provides certain information regarding the trust without disclosing the dispositive terms which most people like to keep private. The type of information this document provides includes the date the trust was created, the names of the grantor, initial trustee and successor trustees, the legal description of the real property being sold, as well as the powers of the trustee, including powers of the trustee relating to real property and the power to sell real property. Many attorneys, as a matter of course, prepare this document at the same time they prepare the trust, so you might already have one in your file. If you do not, you should make sure you have that document prepared prior to your closing.

DEAR JONATHAN: I made gifts to my children on Dec. 31, 2001, of \$5,000 each. Do I need to prepare a gift tax return showing that I made those gifts?

JONATHAN SAYS: No. Since each gift is below the annual exclusion amount of \$10,000, those gifts are not subject to the federal gift tax and no gift tax return is required to be filed. If any of your gifts exceeded the sum of \$10,000, then those gifts would be subject to the federal gift tax and a gift tax return would be required.

DEAR JONATHAN: Now that I have set up a revocable trust, do I need to get a separate taxpayer identification number for that trust?

JONATHAN SAYS: Not as

long as you are serving as trustee or co-trustee. Once you stop serving as trustee, however, whether due to death, disability or you just do not want to do it anymore, then the trust should get its own taxpayer identification number.

DEAR JONATHAN: I am an only child. My father has a pretty good sized life insurance policy which has my mother named as the beneficiary and she died last year. There is no contingent beneficiary named on the policy. Upon my father's death, will the proceeds of the policy automatically pass to me, which is what he wants, or does he actually have to name me as

his beneficiary on the life insurance contract? By the way, my father does have a will naming me as the beneficiary of his estate, if that is of any help.
JONATHAN SAYS: Since your mother is deceased and your father did not name a contingent beneficiary, then he needs to contact his insurance agent for the purpose of completing a change of beneficiary form in order to name you as his beneficiary. If your father dies prior to completing that form, then the life insurance proceeds will pass to his estate and will have to go through probate before being distributed to you as his beneficiary. So even though you will end up

with those life insurance proceeds one way or the other, probate can be avoided if your father completes a change of beneficiary form naming you as the beneficiary of those proceeds.

DEAR JONATHAN: At what age does a person have to be before they can make a will, 18 or 21?

JONATHAN SAYS: In Michigan, a person who is of sound mind who is 18 years of age or older, can make a will.

JV skaters edged by Wayland

The Lowell JV hockey team lost a real nail biter on Saturday to the Wayland Wildcats by a score of 6-5. Both teams ended the first 2 periods of play with 5 goals apiece, then traded shots until Wayland buried the game winner with 4:25 remaining in the third. The loss ended a four-game winning streak for the Red Arrows whose record now stands at 10-5-3.

Ted McCoy was the leading scorer for the Lowell/Caledonia cooperative team with 3 goals and an assist. Corey Kelly contributed 2 goals, Brandon John 2 assists, and Kyle Austin assisted on the final goal to round out the offensive effort for the Red Arrows.

The JV team will be on the ice again next Saturday, Feb. 23 at Kentwood Ice Arena vs. West Ottawa. Game time is 9 p.m.

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immediately following the Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. at the Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash, S.E.

On the agenda is any and all business which may be brought before this Board according to the Lowell Charter Township Zoning Ordinance.

Linda S. Regan, Clerk
Lowell Charter Township

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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Lowell's Spickler to compete in Junior America Pageant

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Each purchase scored a point for either the tomato team or the chicken noodle team, depending on the purchaser’s preference, creating an authentic “Souper Bowl.”

Many of the purchasers did not take their soup; instead they donated it back to the food pantry.

The game summary showed cash totaling \$264 and over 200 cans of soup valued at \$179.33 donated.

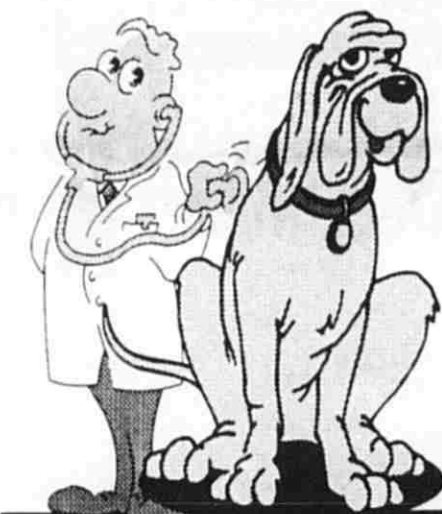
Both teams have been invited back for “Souper Bowl II.” The Flat River Outreach Ministries also benefitted from the work of church and local organizations which raised \$2,674 to help stock the shelves at the food pantry.

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Bowling teams advance to regional

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell’s boys and girls bowling teams advanced to regional play with top three finishes in the divisional play-off.

Wayland won the boys’ division with a pin total of 2238. Lowell was second at 2216 and Middleville placed third.

“The boys struggled in the baker games, but bowled well enough to advance to the regional,” said Lowell bowling coach, Dave Adriane.

Nate Sloan led all Red Arrows with a two-game total of 477 (280-197).

D.J. Armstrong rolled a 380 (179-201). Nate Clark recorded a 337 (179-158).

Single game totals were handed in by Jim DeWit 154; Jim Denney 130; John Stuckey 169; and Mike Plummer 235.

Lowell’s two-game total was 1882 (961-921). In the baker games, Lowell rolled a 158 and 176 for a pin total of 334

The Red Arrow girls won the divisional playoff with a team total 1804 (793-704-307). Kentwood placed second and Wayland came in third.

Amanda Eickhoff led the way with a 335 series (162-173). She was followed by Tara Kuipers’ 329 (181-148); Eva Geldersma, 310 (172-138); and Rachel Nawrocki, 289 (136-153).

Single game totals were Loren Kuiper 142 and Andrea Nawrocki 92.

“The girls and boys did all right. They didn’t bowl badly but didn’t bowl great either,” Adriane explained. “Both will have to pick it up a little at the regional.”

The regional will be at the Paragon in Grand Rapids on March 2.

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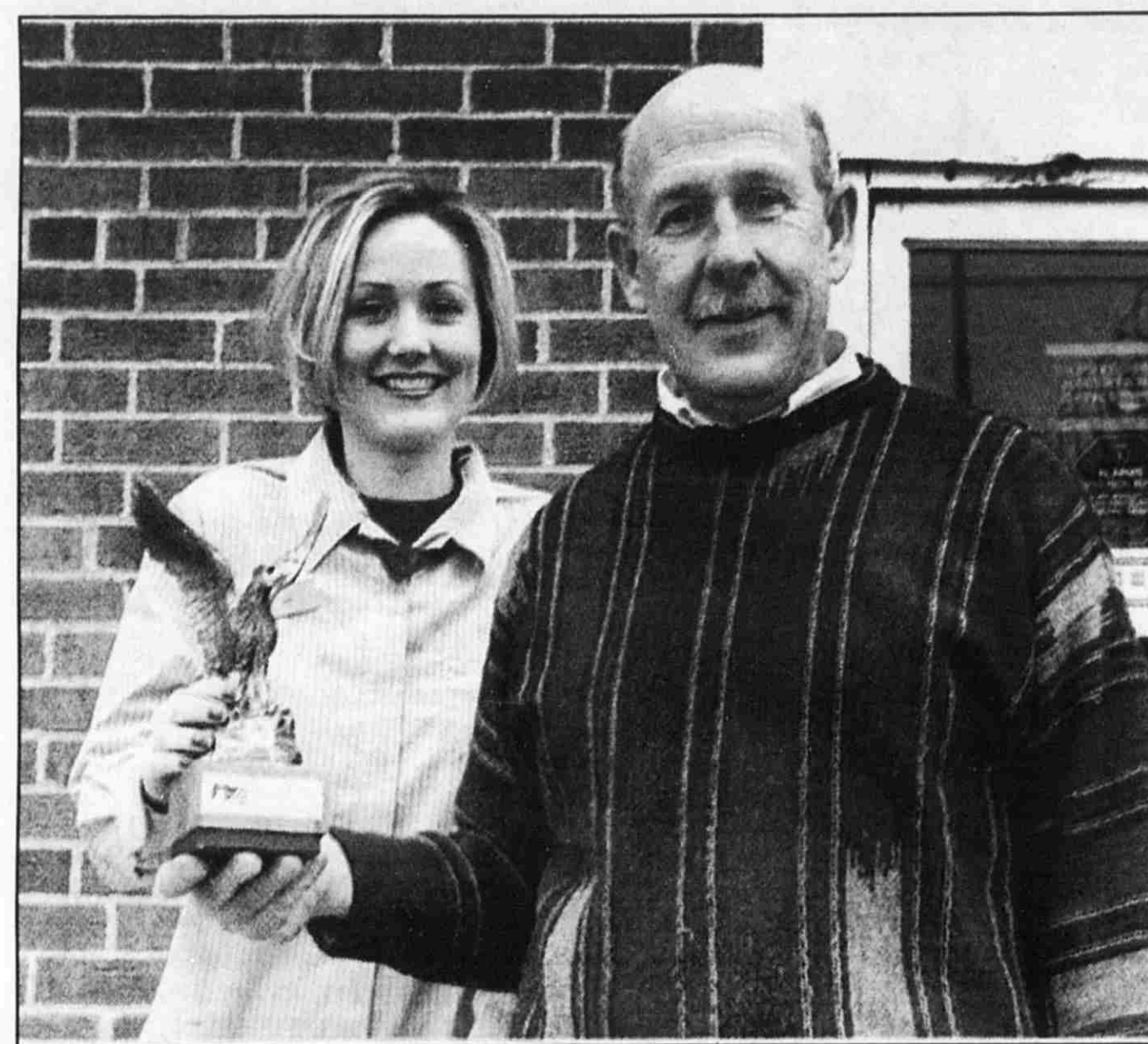
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Lowell Post Office leads area in charitable donations

Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Success of the Combined Federal Campaign rests solely on the Tri-County-area post office employees' willingness to make donations to area and state charities.

This year's campaign raised over \$244,500, a \$50,000 increase from last year. Lowell postal employees played a significant part in the success. Their donation tally for the 2002 fiscal year (started in September 2001) representing a significant increase in giving with an average gift of \$242.67.

For playing a significant part in the program, the Lowell Post Office was presented with the "Eagle Award." In past years, the award has gone to Grand Rapids, Holland and Jenison.

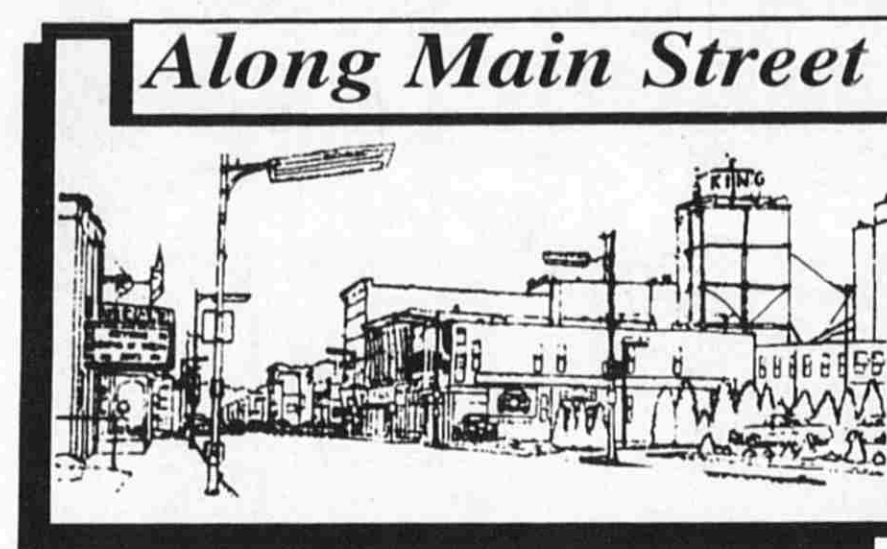
"We're the smallest post office to receive the award in many years," said Lowell postmaster, Gil Brown. "I'm pretty sure this is the first time Lowell has received the honor."

The Lowell Post Office employs 24 workers; the recipients of their charitable donations included Homeless Vietnam Veterans, Visiting Nurses, Hospice and United Way.

"Our employee participation percentage was the best of all Tri-County post offices," Brown said.

Serving as this year's key worker was Lowell Post Office employee, Amy VanDuinen.

Lowell's Nancy Roth serves as key executive for Federal Agencies in Kent County.



Along Main Street

sponsor "Earth & Sky" on March 13 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at the Wittenbach Center. For more information on the free seminar, call 897-5671.

CROP WALK RALLY SCHEDULED

The Lowell area 8th annual crop walk rally will be at 1st United Methodist Church, 621 E. Main on Thursday, March 21 at 7 p.m. If your group or organization would like to participate by walking or sponsoring a group at the crop walk on May 5, send a rep to this rally. For information call the church office at 897-5936.

LOWELL COMMUNITY EXPO

The annual Community Expo, at Lowell High School, will be on March 23 from 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. To spotlight your business, church or organization, call the Chamber at 897-9161.

CALL FOR DEMOS AND ENTERTAINMENT

The Chamber of Commerce is seeking demos and entertainment for the Lowell Community Expo on Saturday, March 23. Call Liz at 897-9161.

Local accountant offers tax service to seniors

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Don Morgan is not a Native American, but a recent business decision was a direct reflection of his admiration for them.

"Native Americans revered their seniors," Morgan explained. "I think our society needs to do more of that."

Morgan, a partner in the Coda & Morgan accounting firm, has been practicing as a CPA in Grand Rapids for 25 years. Citing that senior citizens are not well serviced as a group, Morgan said his firm will do tax returns, as a community service, for a minimal fee of \$25 for Lowell and Lowell and Vergennes township seniors at Lowell's Senior Neighbor Center. For veterans the fee is reduced to \$20.

"I moved into Lowell Township two years ago. This is a way for me to become more involved and to meet and help people," Morgan said. "As this program grows, I eventually want to take the proceeds and turn them back over to the center's director (Marsha Roth).

The firm will do tax returns and financial statements, as

well as review investments and insurance programs by appointment for Lowell seniors.

Appointments at the center can be made for Friday evening beginning at 3:30 p.m.; Saturday from 10:30 a.m. until 6 p.m. and if necessary on Sunday.

"My experience tells me that seniors are a delight to work with and have a lot to share," Morgan concluded.

It took me 15 years to discover I had no talent for writing, but I couldn't give it up because by that time I was too famous.

Robert Benchley

STUDENT/STAFF VARIETY SHOW

The annual student/staff variety show will be held Wednesday, Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. in the Lowell Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$3.

SENIOR 2002 CLASS PAYMENTS DUE

Payment of \$100 or by installment will reserve your spot for the senior all-night party - during lunch periods on Fridays in February.

COMMODITIES AVAILABLE

The Moose Recreation Building, 1320 E. Main, will have commodities available from 9-4 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 21: Green beans, beef stew, cranberry juice, egg noodles, orange juice, peaches, potatoes, tomato sauce, walnuts. Clients must re-register and show proof of income, etc.

LOCAL ARTISTS' EXHIBIT ON DISPLAY

An art exhibit at Huntington National Bank in downtown Lowell will feature professional adult artists as well as young artists, ages 5-7 from Feb. 21 - April 2 during regular hours.

EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR ON EARTH & SKY

The Open Space Committee of Vergennes Twp. will

LOWELL SCHOOL BOARD BRIEFS

Summary of the Regular Meeting of the Lowell Board of Education
Held on February 11, 2002

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT - Jason Craig, Student Council President and Representative to the Board, reported that the Alto Student Council members will be coming to the high school and will participate in the next high school student council meeting. Within the next few weeks members of the student body will be attending a leadership conference.

REPORT - Young Fives Program - Karen Burd, Bushnell Elementary Principal, along with Marilyn McGraw, teacher of the Young Fives Program and parent, Terry Nagy, all explained the success and benefits of the newly created Young Fives Program at Lowell.

REPORT - High School EMI Program - Nancy Heatley, high school EMI teacher, along with several students in her Life Skills class presented the "Kids Helping Kids Cook" cookbook project that they created to help with food costs.

ACTION ITEMS -

- Accepted the following gifts:
 - Alto PTO donation of portable outdoor sign with lights and letters valued at \$200 to be used by the Wittenbach Center.
 - Mark & Vicki Soyka donation of satin dress valued at

\$250 to be used by The Lowell High School Drama Department.

BUDGET COMMENT - Connie Gillette mentioned the Governor's decision to honor the State's obligation to support school funding for the upcoming school year. While this does offer some relief for next year, the district is still facing a deficit budget and will continue to explore the possibility of reductions.

CONSENT ITEMS - Approved/Adopted were:

- The minutes for the January 14, 2002 regular meeting and the January 28, 2002 board workshop.
- The following payment of bills for December 2001:
 - GENERAL FUND.....\$836,770.57
 - HEADLEE UNDERFUNDING.....\$3,380.00
 - SCHOOL SERVICES FUND
 - A. Food Service Fund.....\$111,253.57
 - B. Athletic Fund.....\$24,123.78
 - 2000 CONSTRUCTION FUND.....\$105,178.97
 - TRUST AND AGENCY FUND.....\$43,020.76
- New Hire: Ron White - Middle School Special Education LD Teacher
- Administrative and non-union staff pay for 2002-2003 school year
- Annual Election Resolution calling for the election to be held on Monday, June 10, 2002
- Schools of Choice Resolution to participate in the Kent County Intermediate School District Collaborative Schools of Choice Plan and accept residents of

contiguous intermediate school districts by mutual agreements of the superintendents for the 2002-2003 school year.

- Strike personal property taxes from city tax rolls in the amount of \$363.18
- Common calendar with KISD member districts (administration and union) providing uniform start dates, holiday and break periods, beginning in 2002-03, or as current employee contracts expire.

BOND FOLLOW-UP - Discussion was held concerning the potential new addition to the high school. Looking at short and long-term benefits, a good bidding climate, low operating costs and added educational opportunities for kids, the administration is looking at bringing this item to the March meeting for Board consideration.

OK CONFERENCE REALIGNMENT - Barry Hobrle reviewed the new realignment and expansion proposal from the OK Conference Member Schools. This item will return to the March meeting agenda for Board consideration.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Regular Board Meeting
Monday, March 11, 2002 • 7:00 p.m.
Runciman Administration Building - Board Room
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DISTRICT DOMINATION

••• In qualifying 13 wrestlers for Saturday's regional in Greenville; eight Red Arrows earned district championships

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

The four participants in Wednesday's Kenowa Hills team wrestling regional got a sneak peek, during Saturday's individual district in Hastings, at what lies ahead.

Kenowa Hills, Wyoming

Park and Lakewood could not have liked what they saw.

Lowell, ranked number one in Division II, sent 10 wrestlers into the championship round - eight were crowned district champions.

In all, 13 Lowell wrestlers qualified for the indi-

vidual regional in Greenville on Saturday (Feb. 23).

"That is a school record," said Lowell wrestling coach, Dave Strejc. "The boys made a statement today. They are in a groove and know what they must do to get where they want to be, but I didn't

expect eight champions."

In preparation for their ultimate goal, a state title, the Red Arrow club has begun meeting at 6 a.m. for a short practice before school. "It's no longer business as usual," Strejc explained.

Along with the eight

firsts, the Red Arrows had two runners-up, a third, and two fourth-place finishes.

Individual tournament champions are nothing new to Lowell wrestlers... unless you're 135-pound sophomore, Kevin Frazier.

"It's the first tournament I've ever won," said Frazier, the district's fifth seed. "I'm starting to come through as is the rest of the team. I still need to get to another level."

Frazier needed to lift his game to another level to get past the first, second and third seeds. The Red Arrow edged Middleville's Kyle Fletke 1-0 in the finals.

"Coach Schil (Jeff Schildroth) has been working hard with me in dry matches during practice," Frazier said.

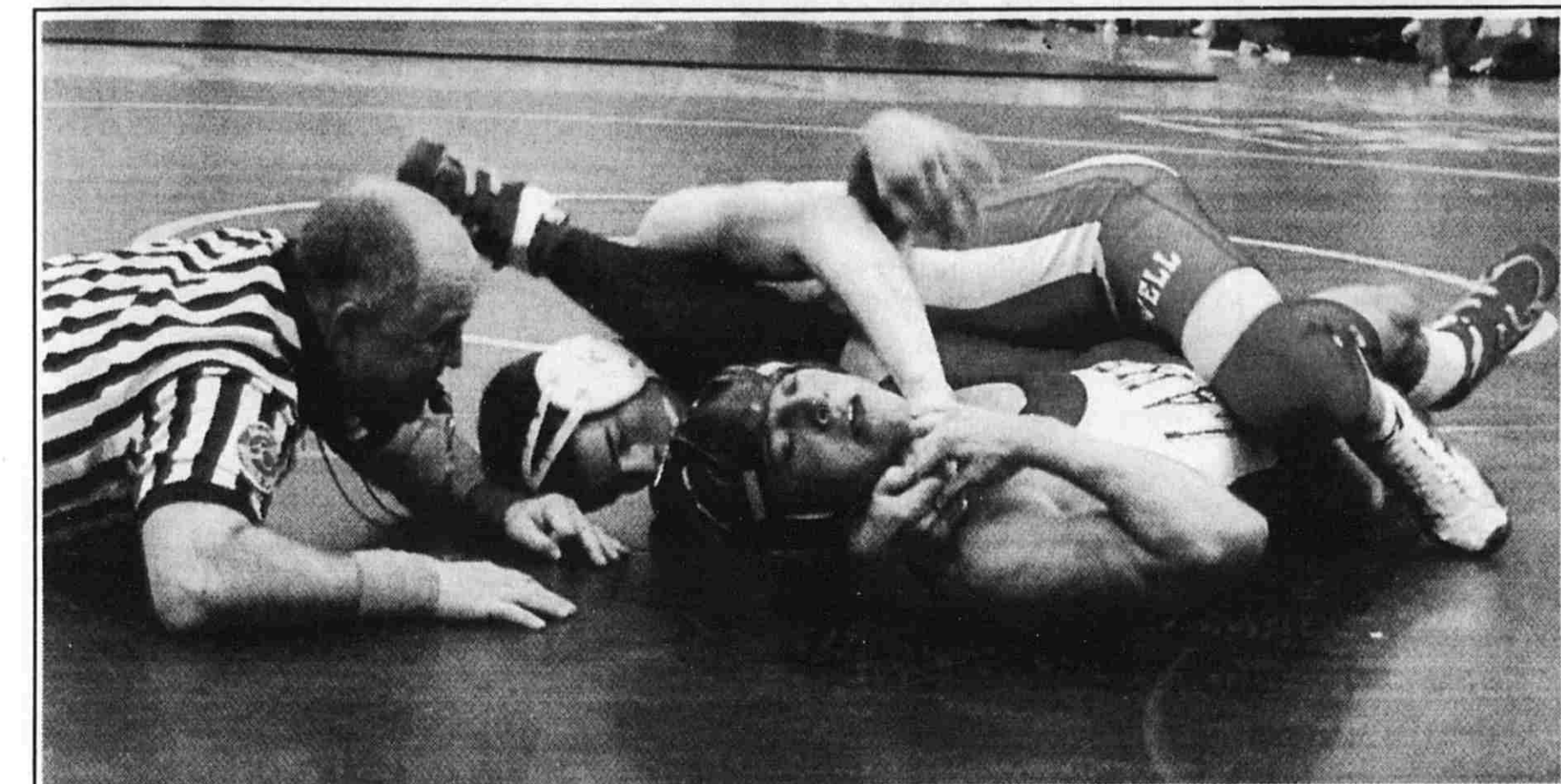
It was also Schil who was in Frazier's corner Saturday. Strejc watched from the bleachers.

"I have so many coaches helping me and they all bring something to the table. Coach Schil is a good mat coach for Kevin. What, I should step in and mess everything up?" Strejc explained.

With most freshman, Strejc may have offered some advice after watching an opponent score two quick takedowns in the opening period, but not with Joe Mendez (46-2).

Strejc didn't need to. The freshman, with a game equal to a savvy, seasoned veteran, made his own adjustments.

"Those takedowns surprised me. I wasn't ready for that," Mendez said. "I lowered my hands in front of me and that seemed to work. He also seemed a little tired in the



Red Arrow Bobby Gingerich bottles up his Middleville opponent. Gingerich was the O-K White champion at 140 pounds.

Lowell spikers lose the match but not their fight

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell spikers finished their league play in much the same fashion they started.

The Red Arrows displayed flashes of outstanding volleyball, but could not avoid lapses in their 15-8, 16-14 loss to Hudsonville.

"In the second half of game two the girls showed how well they are capable of playing. They just can't get any consistency in their play," said Lowell volleyball coach, Connie Black.

Lowell started fast and faded in game one and started slow and finished strong in game two.

Hudsonville jumped out to a 9-1 lead over the Red Arrows in game two before Lowell battled back to tie the contest at 14-14.

The Red Arrows came up empty on a couple of chances to serve for the lead.

"We seem to play better against stronger teams," Black said.

The Eagles will enter the conference tournament on Saturday as the fourth seed, behind Forest Hills Central, Forest Hills Northern and Zeeland. The league meet is being hosted by Lowell. It will start at 9 a.m.

"We've been playing some incredible volleyball. I didn't think the girls played that well tonight," said Hudsonville volleyball coach, Karen Keller.

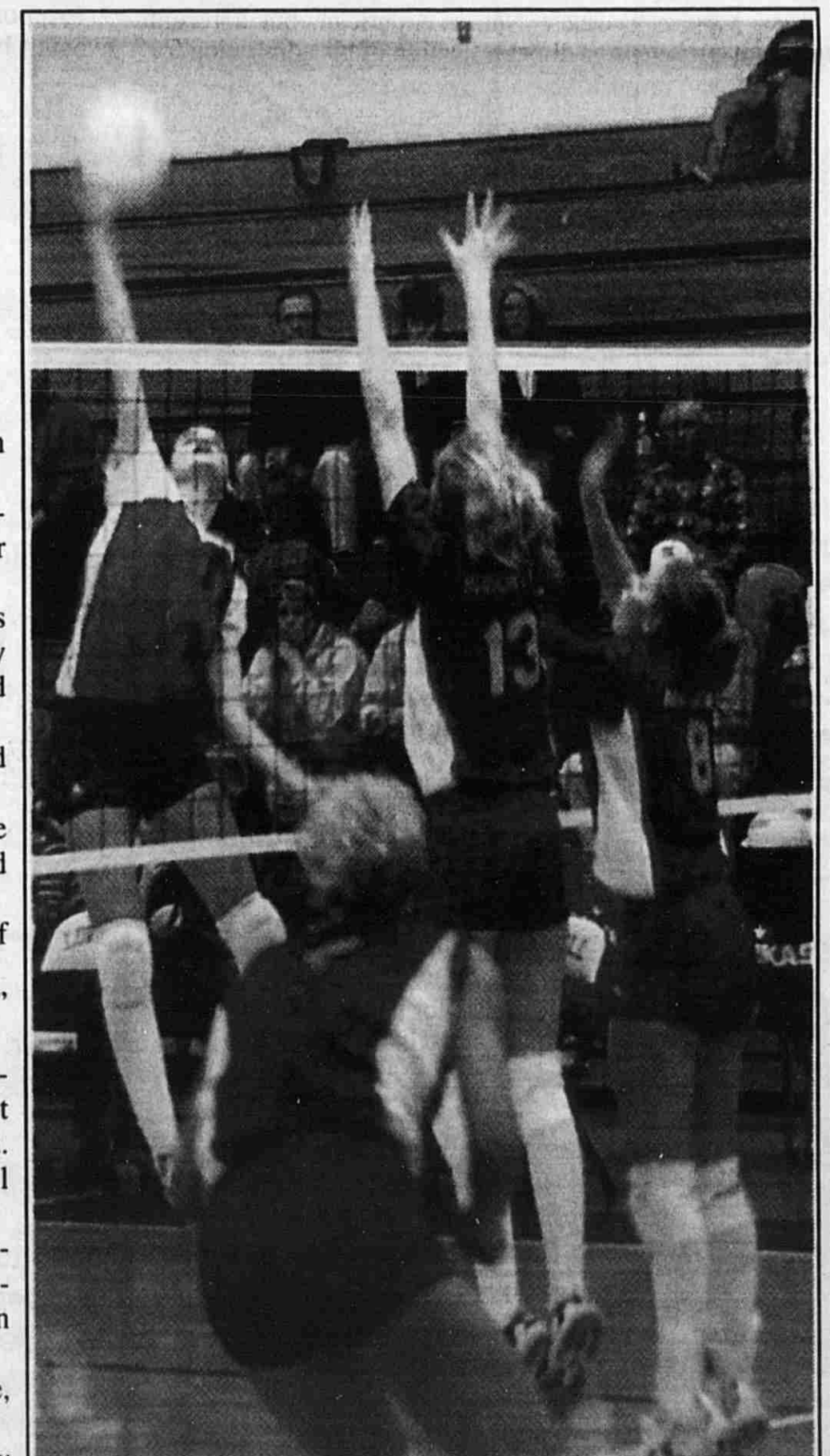
Lowell jumped to a 7-5 lead in game one, before a strong, 10-1 Hudsonville finish.

Katelyn Bush recorded 16 assists while Kelly Fitzpatrick added six kills and Jenelle Gemmill served two aces.

For Hudsonville, Samantha Wright tallied 26 assists. Rachael Dumond recorded 10 kills and Samantha Dyke served four aces.

Lowell girls volleyball team fell in two games to East Grand Rapids 15-6, 15-11.

"The girls played strong defense, but couldn't



Kellie Baker reaches high for this return in Monday night's conference match with Hudsonville. Lowell lost 15-8, 16-14 to the Eagles.

put anything away on offense - I guess we were taking the lovers' holiday off," said Lowell assistant volleyball coach, Ken Dewey. Katelyn Bush led Lowell in assists with seven. Kelly Fitzpatrick added two blocks while Courtney Phillips recorded five kills and Jenelle Gemmill tallied two aces.

second period." Mendez (46-2) used all that to stake out a second-period pin at 3:27 over Caledonia's Brandon Cance.

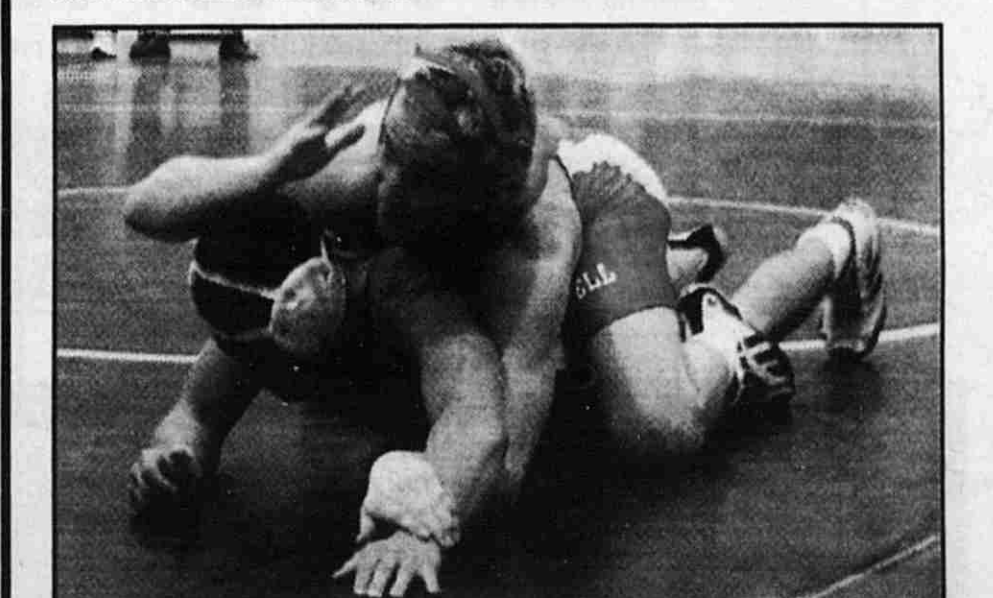
"Joe got his range back and made some adjustments. What you saw from him is what you expect out of a senior - a seasoned veteran," Strejc explained.

Other Lowell wrestlers crowned district champions were Ben Vaught, HWT, 8-2 decision over Catholic Central's Aaron Bir; Brandon Kinney, 119, 15-4 decision over Middleville's Michael McKeown; Ian DeRath, 125, 17-8 major decision over Wyoming Park's Kenneth Saganski; Beau Wilder, 130, 9-5 decision over Aaron Stahl; Bobby Gingerich, 140, 18-8 major decision over Lakewood's Brandon Carpenter; and Ben Fleet, 215, 6-2 decision against Caledonia's Jake Klappmuss.

Lowell's Mike Nearing, 112 pounds, lost in the finals to Middleville's Josh Bowerman 5-3 while J.J. Wilder, 160, lost to Wyoming Park's James Lewis 5-1.

Mike Forward, 171, finished third with an 8-2 decision against Middleville's Josh Tobias.

Placing fourth were Red Arrows' Jim Kelly, 140, and Pieter Serne, 189.



Lowell's Kevin Frazier won the league championship at 135 pounds. Above, coach Jeff Schildroth provides some instruction.



Lowell's Colleen Myers digs out a serve against Hudsonville.

Environmentally conscious students take time to recycle



Cherry Creek Elementary students are introduced to recycling.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell High School's Environmental Club is taking its message on the road. The club's 15 members educated and trained Nancy Richter's fifth-grade Cherry Creek Elementary students on how to operate their own lunchroom recycling program.

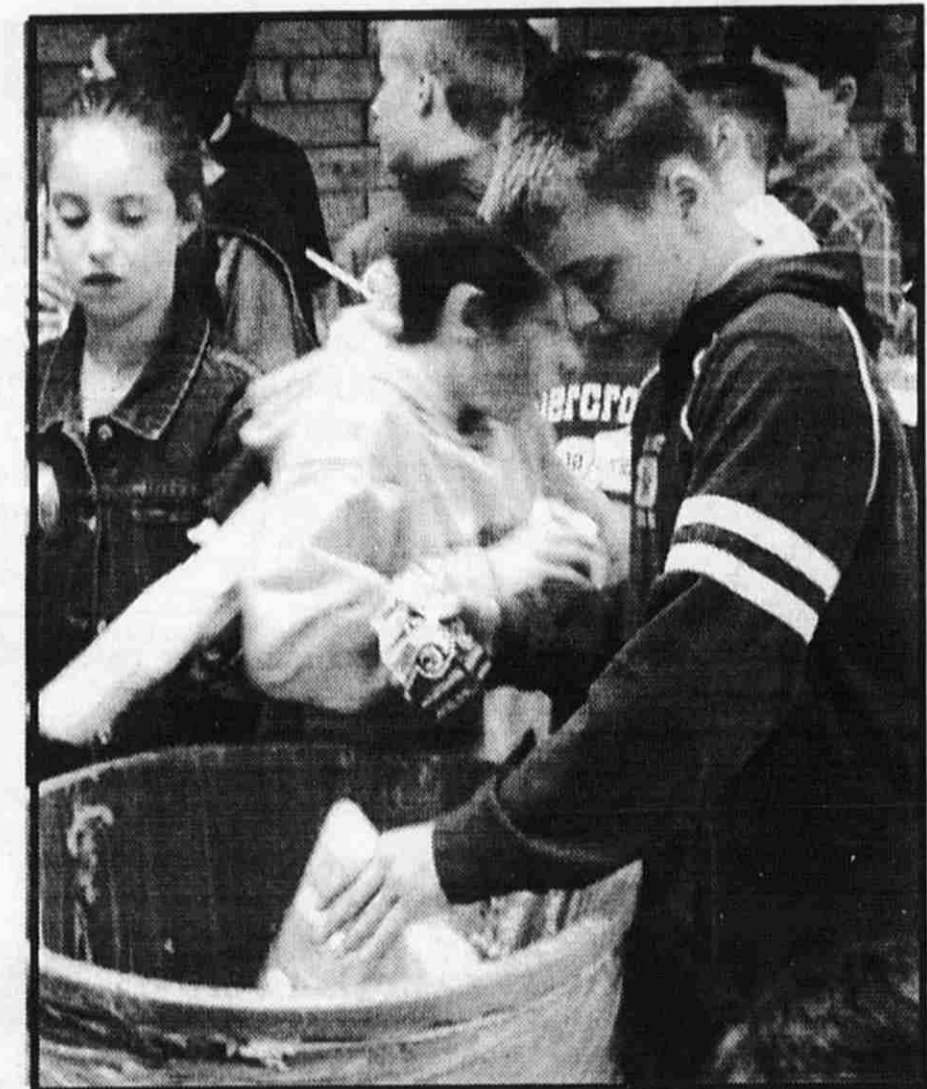
Students spent nearly two hours Friday, directing their fellow lunch patrons on where to discard their milk cartons, fruits and vegetables, lunch bags, plastic utensils and leftover milk.

High school students also informed the elementary students, while they were eating their lunch, on why not recycling is harmful to the environment.

Some of the reasons given were:

- Species are killed;
- Air, water, land and streams are polluted;

- Prevents plants from growing;
 - Animals lose their homes
- in order to make way for larger dumps, and;
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Michael Stanard, Cherry Creek Elementary 5th-grader, empties his tray materials into their correct bins.

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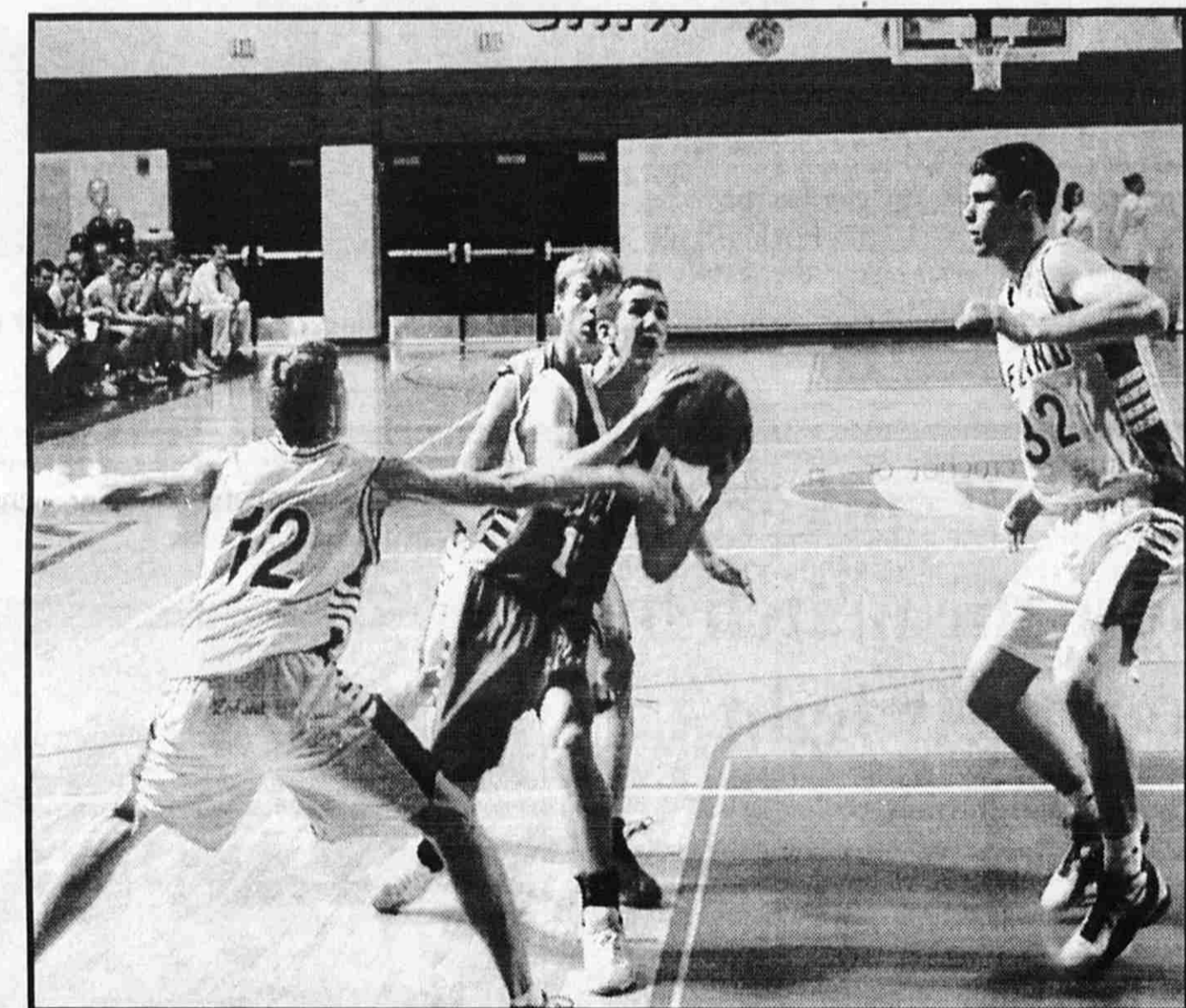
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Sam Oberlin cuts between Zeeland defenders on his way to the basket.

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7 over the final eight minutes. Northern outrebounded Lowell 29-28. Leading the Red Arrows on the boards was Oberlin with seven. Lowell finished the week at 2-9 in the O-K White and 5-12 overall. Lowell, in its final home game of the year, hosts Hudsonville on Friday.

COMING EVENTS

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

EVERY MONTH: The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse (11841 Potters Rd.) east of Montcalm Ave. For dates and times call 897-5015. Guests are welcome.

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 & staff, promoting more pleasant living and working environment. Public invited.

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 MONTH: Needlecraft Day at Grattan Twp. Hall, 12050 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: Fallsburg 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 (both men & women) meets at V.F.W. Clubroom, 307 E. Main St., Lowell, 7:00 p.m.

EVERY MON.: Boy Scout Troop 102, for boys 11 & up or completing the 5th-grade, 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 info 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.: Walking-exercise program at 9 a.m. in Grattan Twp. Hall, 12050 Old Belding Rd. No charge. Call Lana 691-8450 for info.

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

1ST TUES.: Adults with 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 Parent group meetings from 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 & FOURTH TUES.: Knights of Columbus #7719 meets 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.: Lowell Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Look Memorial Fire Station, S. Hudson.

EVERY 3RD TUES.: Parents of children with AD/HD Issues Group meeting at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 32156 4 Mile NE (& E. Beltline) at 7 p.m. Call Linda at 874-5662. For teen group info., call Sarah 281-6588.

TUES.: Weight Watchers meets at Lowell Nazarene Church, 201 N. Washington, at 5:30 and 7 p.m. Registration begins 1/2 hour before meetings. New members invited to join. Call 1-800-651-6000.

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

EVERY OTHER WED.: 6:45-8:45 p.m. G.E.M.S. Girls Club - Calvary Christian Reformed Church. Girls ages 8-13. 897-8694.

EVERY WED.: Pioneer Clubs 6:30-8 p.m. Evergreen Missionary Church, 10501 Settlewood Dr. Children ages 4 thru 7th grade. Call 897-5894 for 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 "Peppers" (senior adults) meets at Franciscan Life Process Center from 1-3:30 p.m. \$10 per week. Transportation available. Call Pat at 897-7842.

EVERY SECOND WED.: Kent County Youth Fair Board meets at 7:30 p.m. at King Memorial Youth Center at the Fairgrounds. Call 897-6050.

EVERY SECOND WED.: Grand Rapids Machine Knitters Club meets at Kentwood Library, 4799 Kalamazoo Ave. - 1 p.m. Sara Coates 365-1247 or Bette Frieswyk 949-8655.

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

EVERY FOURTH WED.: Elderly volunteers needed for Intergenerational program with school-age children from Lowell in activities. Times: 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. or 12:45 to 1:45 p.m. Call Sister Colleen Ann Nagle, F.S.E. at the Franciscan Child Development Center, 897-7842.

EVERY FOURTH WED.: Support group for Peripheral neuropathy meets at 4 p.m. at St. Paul's Anglican Church, 2560 Lake Michigan Dr. N.W., Grand Rapids. Call 897-9794.

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

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EVERY THURS.: - St. Mary's Pregnancy Crisis Center, 402 Amity St., non-denominational help for pregnant women and adolescents at the school: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.; Mondays: 5:30 - 8 p.m. 897-9393.

FIRST THURS.: 4-H drama club examines theater-related topics, creative and personal development skills. Meetings at Lowell Middle School choir room. Info.: 897-1502 after 5 p.m.

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

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

EVERY THURS.: Saranac Community and Area Music Makers at Saranac High School. Choir: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.; Band: 7:30 - 8:15 p.m. Call Kathy at 642-6316/897-5981 for info.

EVERY THURS.: Play an instrument? Jam session w/ Nick & Patti at The New Riverview, M-21 E. of Lowell, 7 p.m. - ? Call 897-0099 Nick or 897-9948 Lyle.

EVERY THIRD THURS.: Parents Supporting Parents-support group at Franciscan Life Process Center offers topics and discussion for parents of children all ages. Call 897-7842 for time.

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

EVERY THIRD THURS.: LaLeche League of Ada, Cascade & Lowell meets at 6:30 p.m. for socializing; meeting at 7 p.m. Mother to mother support for pregnant & breastfeeding women. Nursing children welcome. At an Ada church. Info? Call 752-8300.

FRI.: Walking-exercise program at 9 a.m. in Grattan Twp. Hall, 12050 Old Belding Rd. No charge. Call Lana 691-8450 for info.

SECOND SAT. OF EVERY MONTH: The Ada Historical Society meets at the Averill Historical Museum of Ada, 7144 Headley at 1 p.m.

SECOND THURS. OF EACH MONTH: Genealogy - Alto Family Tree Club at Alto Library 6:30 - 8 p.m.

SECOND SAT.: Lowell Amateur Radio Club @ 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, 7144 Headley open 1 to 4 p.m. Open other times by appt. Call 676-9346.

LOWELL AREA HISTORICAL MUSEUM HOURS: - Tues., Sat. & Sun.: 1-4 p.m.; Thurs., 1-8 p.m. Families: \$10; individuals \$3; ages 5-17 \$1.50; members are free.

FLAT RIVER OUTREACH MINISTRIES THRIFT SHOP HOURS: Wed., Thurs. & Fri.: 12-6 p.m.; Sat.: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. 897-2037.

ENGLEHARDT LIBRARY 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 of each month at 7:30 p.m.

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

THURS., FEB. 21: Commodities distributed at Lowell Moose Recreation Bldg., 1320 E. Main St. from 9-4 p.m. All clients: bring necessary proof of income, etc., to re-register.

THURS., FEB. 28: Deadline for musicians to get information to LAAC or Chamber for Lowell Showboat summer concert series. Call 897-8545 or 897-9161 with any questions

SUN., MARCH 3: Lowell Days in Lakeland, Fla. 1 p.m. buffet at Huntington Hills Country Club. Call Mary Peckham 863-683-6336, Carmen Roudabush 863-683-9071 or Barb Curtis 863-682-7136. Invite your Lowell friends and relatives.

MON., MARCH 4: Lowell Athletic Boosters meeting in high school staff lounge at 7 p.m. Please come and support our athletes.

WED., MARCH 13: Earth & Sky seminar at Wittenbach Center from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Call 897-5671 for info. on this free program, sponsored by Open Space Committee of Vergennes Twp.

THURS., MARCH 21: Crop Walk Rally at 7 p.m. at 1st United Methodist Church in Ed. wing. A rep from your organization or church should attend. Need info.? Call 897-5936.

SAT., MARCH 23: Lowell Community Expo 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Lowell High School. Free admission/door prizes. Call Liz at the Chamber at 897-9161 if your business, church or organization would like to participate. Also demos and entertainment are needed.

ONGOING: Newspapers & phone books may be recycled at Family Fare parking lot in the trailer. This is a fundraiser for the Lowell girls softball team.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR 897-5949

- MON.:** 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall. **THURS.:** 9 a.m. Walk/Shop at the Malls; 9:30 a.m. Crafts; 1 p.m. Euchre.
- TUES.:** 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall; 10:40 a.m. Armchair Exercise **FRI.:** 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall.
- WED.:** Various activities.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- WED., FEB. 20:** 10 a.m. Advisory Council; 12:40 p.m. Shop Family Fare. **TUES., FEB. 26:** 12:40 p.m. Shop Wal Mart and Dollar Store; 1 p.m. Bible study.
- THURS., FEB. 21:** 12:40 p.m. Rodin Sculptures at Meijer Gardens. **WED., FEB. 27:** 8 a.m. Women's Breakfast; 11 a.m. Ron Krebs' organ concert.
- FRI., FEB. 22:** 12:00 p.m. Birthday Party, Bingo. **THURS., FEB. 28:** 12:00 p.m. Dance.
- MON., FEB. 25:** 12:40 p.m. Shop Family Fare, Travelogue.

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CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL

For the Regular Meeting of MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2002.

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

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

Absent: Councilmember Myers.

Also Present: City Manager David Pasquale, City Clerk Betty Morlock, Public Works Director Dan DesJarden, Police Sergeant Steve Junewick, Police Officer James Hinton, Planning Commission Chairman Jim Hall, Planning Commissioner Alan Mathews, Lowell Light and Power and Cable TV General Manager Tom Richards and Cable TV Boardmembers Norm Borgerson and Dave Austin.

IT WAS MOVED BY BLOUGH and seconded by PFALLER to excuse the absence of Councilmember Myers.

YEA: 4.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 1.

MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY PFALLER and seconded by BRUBAKER that the minutes of the January 21, 2002 meeting be approved as written.

YEA: 4.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 1.

MOTION CARRIED.

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

YEA: 4.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 1.

MOTION CARRIED.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (02/04/02)

GENERAL FUND	\$104,614.13
MAJOR STREET FUND	721.53
LOCAL STREET FUND	330.38
DDA FUND	122,825.91
CITY HALL CONSTRUCTION FUND	20,348.70
AIRPORT FUND	1,718.12
WASTEWATER FUND	5,949.02
WATER FUND	107,568.04
DATA PROCESSING FUND	722.00
EQUIPMENT FUND	613.39
CURRENT TAX FUND	198,811.90

Item #1. AREA BETWEEN HIGH, JAMES, GRINDLE, FUN AND THE EAST CITY LIMITS A REZONING FROM SR (SUBURBAN RESIDENTIAL) TOR-1 OR R-2 (RESIDENTIAL) - RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION ADOPT OR SET PUBLIC HEARING (2/19). At its January 28, 2002 meeting, the Planning Commission held a public hearing to consider rezoning from SR to R1 or R2 for the area between High, James, Grindle, Fun and the east City limits. The Planning Commission reviewed this area and provided a recommendation of an R1 zoning, but against R2 zoning. The City Council has the option of adopting the recommendation or set a public hearing.

A public hearing has been recommended for the Tuesday, February 19, 2002 meeting.

IT WAS MOVED BY PFALLER and seconded by BLOUGH to set a public hearing for February 19, 2002 to consider the rezoning of the area between James, Grindle, Fun and the east City limits from SR (Suburban Residential) to R-1 or R-2 (Residential).

YEA: 4.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 1.

MOTION CARRIED.

Item #2. CONSIDERATION OF A WATER RELIABILITY STUDY AND RELATED MAPPING. Pasquale mentioned the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality requires the City to perform a Water Reliability Study. This would include reviewing present and projected water and fire suppression demands, capacity of

the water treatment plant and wells, noting any deficiencies. The last study was completed in 1988. According to State regulations, this should be accomplished every five years.

Three firms were contacted to provide a proposal:
Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber, Inc. \$21,000.
Moore & Bruggink (includes base map) \$14,200.
Williams & Works
(with expanded water system \$10,000 mapping)

Noting all these firms have excellent reputations, City Manager Pasquale recommended the Council award a contract to Williams & Works for the Water Reliability Study at a cost of \$10,000 allocated from the Water Fund.

Councilmember Blough wanted to understand the correspondence between what was recommended relative to the cost and the documents, which were bid. Pasquale explained each company was asked to provide a proposal for a water reliability study. He noted Williams & Works provided additional base mapping work, which was over and above what was requested initially.

Williams & Works representative Dave Austin explained the company received a verbal request for a water reliability study. This is a standard study and is performed for many communities. He also understood Water Distribution Supervisor Bob Robinson received quotes from at least one of the firms for some additional detailed mapping which includes some GIS (Geographic Information System) information. This is where the comparison becomes different, because the amount of mapping from the other firms was well beyond what Williams and Works had considered. Austin stated for an additional \$2,500, the firm would develop not only a base map but also include all the values and hydrants of the system. A numbering system would also be developed which would break the community into sections. The size of the maps could be increased allowing the staff to use these in the field.

Blough inquired if the additional \$2,500 was what the DEQ normally requires. Austin responded no. The basic reliability study only requires an updated water system map showing the general location and size of all lines, major values and hydrants.

Councilmember Brubaker asked if Austin had access to the REGIS (Regional GIS) information. Austin responded the REGIS information would not be very helpful on this particular project. He did note the City has already paid for much of the base mapping through various projects. Austin noted his firm considered this when an estimate was provided.

Blough said the City already has a tight budget. If the requirement from the DEQ could be met spending under \$7,500, then he would support. Blough understood Williams and Works did not place the estimate at \$10,000. This is included an additional scope of work which is now being requested on top of the \$7,500 which is not a requirement of the DEQ.

Councilmember Brubaker inquired who requested the additional expanded water system map and what is the justification for the City paying \$2,500. Pasquale stated it was requested from the Water Distribution Supervisor Bob Robinson.

IT WAS MOVED BY BLOUGH and seconded by BRUBAKER to award the proposal for \$7,500 to Williams & Works to perform a Water Reliability Study.

YEA: 4.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 1.

MOTION CARRIED.

Item #3. 201 EAST MAIN - GILMORE ENTERPRISES - REQUEST TO PURCHASE AND LEASE CITY RIVERWALK PROPERTY - TABLED FROM THE JANUARY 21, 2002 MEETING. Councilmembers Brubaker and Pfaller abstained from discussion due to a conflict of interest in the matter.

Representative Gregory Gilmore provided a survey, which shows more details of the riverwalk property in question. First, he wishes to purchase city land to square off lot lines. Then, Gilmore wishes to secure an easement of 12 feet by 40 feet within the riverwalk providing outdoor seating of approximately 50.

Gilmore explained he wanted to purchase a portion of the City property because the handicapped ramp runs through it. If it was under an easement, there may be a chance

he could lose the property. Gilmore stated his desire for outdoor service and noted the interior is very small. He noted the area in question currently has plants used as landscaping for the building and riverwalk area.

City Manager Pasquale stated anytime someone wishes to purchase City property, it must be sold on a bid basis. The City can advertise the property and have the assessor provide a value. An easement can be considered when there is enough Councilmembers to vote.

Pasquale noted consideration would be discussed during the March 4, 2002 meeting.

No further information was discussed.

Item #4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NOTICE OF INTENT AND RELATED ACTIONS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS OF THE ELECTRICAL SUPPLY SYSTEM. Lowell Light and Power and Cable TV General Manager Tom Richards stated a resolution is necessary for the Council to approve the Light and Power Department issuing bonds to pay for the new transmission line connecting to Consumers Power at a higher voltage. This would allow for the continued growth of the electric system in Lowell. It also would enable the department to pay for the equipment and construction of the new substation. The transmission line is currently estimated at about 2.1 million dollars with the substation approximately at 3.2 million dollars. This is all inclusive of engineering services and equipment and interconnection of the first few circuits.

Councilmember Pfaller asked if this would include upgrading the east side of the City. Richards responded the new substation and first few circuits are the beginnings of providing a standard distribution voltage throughout the City. The goal is to reengineer the electric distribution in the City so that all circuits are on the same 12.47 voltage.

City Manager Pasquale stated this is the first step in the bonding process. This is a revenue bond which would be paid through proceeds from Lowell Light and Power. Notices have to be published and submitted to the Michigan Department of Treasury.

IT WAS MOVED BY PFALLER and seconded by BRUBAKER to approve the resolution authorizing notice of intent and related actions for the issuance of bonds for improvements of the electrical supply system.

YEA: 4.

NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 1.

MOTION CARRIED.

Item #5. CITIZEN COMMENTS. Traci Mullins referred to a comment made during the last Planning Commission meeting. He noted Commissioner Hinton had stated if individuals live around many trees perhaps they move out to the townships, which Mullins didn't accept.

Al Mathews of 822 Grindle thanked the Councilmembers who were present during the last Planning Commission meeting. The meeting room was full with concerned residents and a petition was presented with 32 names listed. He was concerned with the size of the lot dropping from 35,000 square feet (SR) to 9,750 (R-1). He understood the City needs development, but suggested a compromise with the idea of establishing a new zoning district such as SR2 (proposed 20,000 square feet). This would satisfy the residents and the City.

Russ Palmer of 1381 E. Main noted his concerns with the water run off if the development was established and concurred with the SR2 zoning district proposal.

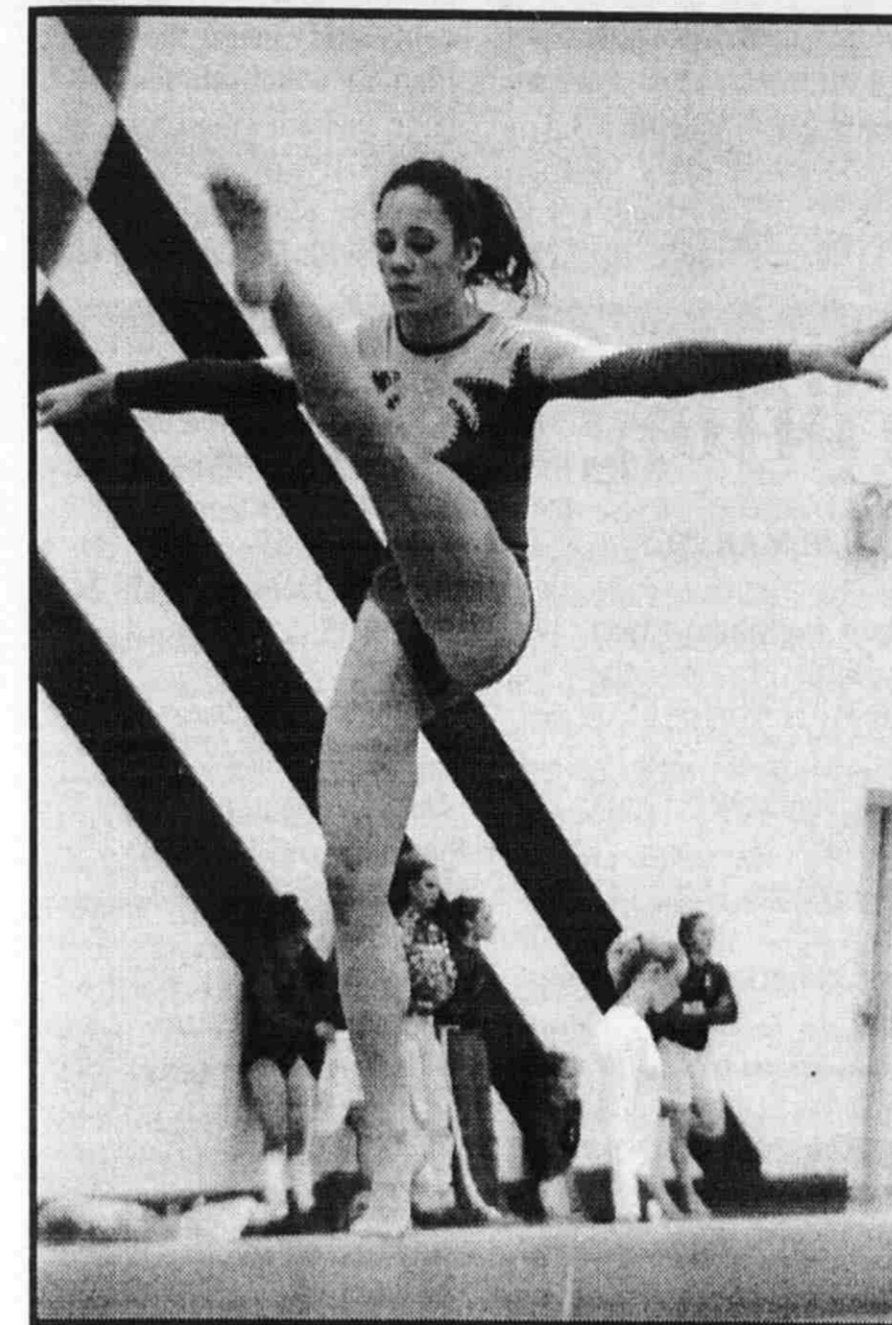
Gerny Goff of 800 Grindle was very disturbed when a Planning Commissioner misinformed those present and had to be corrected by the Building Inspector. She felt the Council should appoint people who spend time reading the ordinance.

Item #6. COUNCIL COMMENTS. Councilmember Pfaller stated he wanted the opportunity to tour the rezoning properties in question. He also encouraged anyone who hasn't walked it to do so. City Manager Pasquale stated he would arrange a meeting.

Item #7. MANAGER'S REPORT. City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:
A. The following meeting minutes were provided:

Planning Commission meetings of November 26, December 10, December 17, 2001 and January 7, 2002
Lowell Board of Light and Power meeting of December

Red Arrow gymnasts unable to match the strength of the Dutch



Jenna Dickerman works on the balance beam in a meet against league-leading Holland

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

To look at Lowell's score against O-K Rainbow leader, Holland, one could be fooled. Red Arrow gymnastics coach Michele DeHaan, however, wasn't by her club's 139.525-134.15 loss to the Dutch.

"We're not where I want to be at this point in the season," DeHaan said. "You win meets at practice and the girls have not been practicing well lately ... I think that showed tonight."

The Lowell coach was surprised by her club's relatively high score-based on what she saw.

"Our beam and vault performances were disappointing and our bar routines were sloppy," DeHaan said afterwards. "We have a chance to finish third in the conference (best ever in school history), but the girls have to want it."

Holland, trying to recover from some pesky ailments and bruises, will enter the OK-Rainbow conference meet as

a slight favorite over Forest Hills Central.

"We beat Central by nine-tenths of a point in the dual," said Holland seventh-year coach, Geri Cawthra. "I just want to get everybody healthy before then. The conference meet will be tight."

As were the Dutch's uneven bar performances. "Our bar scores were much better tonight. The key was the girls' bodies were tight," said Cawthra who won an individual state championship in gymnastics and has coached four state champions. "Gymnastics is tougher now. Everybody has gotten so much better."

Lowell's Holly Plattner continued her push toward post-season as she earned all around honors with an individual total of 34.75, edging Holland's Keshia McClain's 34.2.

Red Arrow Melissa Neubecker was third at 33.9.

Plattner recorded a personal best 9.5 in her floor routine, a 9.05 on the vault, an 8.45 on the balance beam

and a 7.75 on the uneven bars. Neubecker tallied an 8.9 in the floor exercise, an 8.6 on the balance beam, an 8.25 on the bars and an 8.15 on the vault.

Krystal White scored an 8.75 in the floor; 8.35 on the vault, 8.15 on the beam and 7.4 on the uneven bars.

Carmen Datema, competing on the vault and beam, recorded an 8.15 and 8.3 respectively.

Jenna Dickerman tallied an 8.6 in the floor exercise and a 7.9 on the bars.

Holland's top score on the vault was handed in by Denay Kippley (9.1); McClain, bars, (8.6); Kippley, beam (8.95), and Kippley, floor, (9.3).

Lowell travels to East Grand Rapids for the conference meet on Saturday, before hosting the regional on Saturday, March 2.

Lowell MYWA Folkstyle Wrestling

Rockford Individual Tournament

Ages 5 & 6		
Zeth Dean	43 lbs	2nd
Tad Rodgers	43 lbs	3rd
Jacob Stephens	49 lbs	2nd

Ages 7 & 8		
Derek Krajewski	43 lbs	1st
Austin Bier	43 lbs	3rd
Chad Martin	49 lbs	1st
Cody Bier	58 lbs	1st
Jordan Drake	67 lbs	1st

Ages 9 & 10		
Sean Greenhoe	67 lbs-B	2nd
Jacob Murray	HWT	4th

Ages 11 & 12		
Josh Drake	80 lbs	2nd
Timmy Gingerich	95 lbs	3rd

MYWA Grand Rapids Regional

Ages 5 & 6		
Zeth Dean	40 lbs	1st
Jacob Stephens	49 lbs	2nd
Jesse Karker	52 lbs	1st
Jacob Sweet	55 lbs	1st

Ages 7 & 8		
Derek Krajewski	40 lbs	1st
Chad Martin	49 lbs	2nd
Jordan Drake	67 lbs	2nd

Ages 9 & 10		
Sean Greenhoe	67 lbs	4th

Ages 11 & 12		
Zach Baum	80 lbs	5th
Mark Ford	95 lbs	3rd
Josh Drake	95 lbs	5th

Ages 13-15		
John Fleet	145 lbs	1st
Brock Graham	155 lbs	1st
Alex Fleet	170 lbs	3rd
Trevor Foss	HWT	1st

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Lowell falls short at Northern & Zeeland

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell boys basketball team trailed by just four at halftime, however, numerous second-half turnovers prevented the Red Arrows from taking advantage of Zeeland's shooting woes.

The Red Arrows tallied 12 first-quarter points, but managed just 20 the rest of the way in their 46-32 loss to the home-standing Chix.

Trailing 23-19 at halftime, Lowell scored six, third-quarter points and seven in the final period.

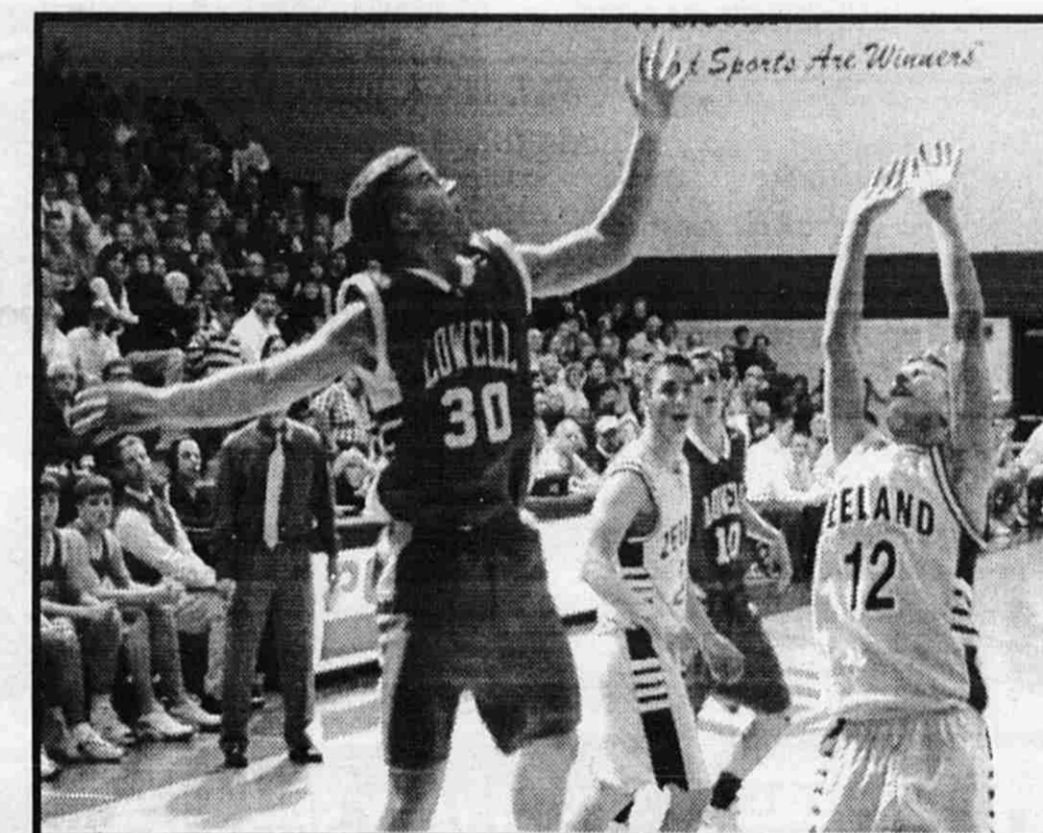
Zeeland wasn't much better. The Chix netted seven in the third to lead 30-25 heading into the fourth quarter. Zeeland tallied 16 in the fourth quarter to pull away from the Red Arrows.

Sam Oberlin was the only Red Arrow to score in double figures; he finished with 10 points. Bill Harrison and Mark Biener each added six.

Zeeland's Dan Redder, Aaron Kraai and Chip Kleinheksel led the Chix with seven points each.

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Lowell was able to hang around with a smarting bunch of Huskies (who lost to Lowell early in the year), but was never able to significantly cut



Andy McQueen eyes his short baseline jumper in action against Zeeland.

into a nine-point, first-quarter deficit.

Northern led 16-7 after one quarter of play and 27-20 at halftime. Mark Biener led all Lowell scorers with 10 points. Landon Trierweiler finished with seven and Sam Oberlin netted six.

Lowell was 2-of-8 from the three-point arc.

The Huskies outscored Lowell 18-17 in the third stanza and 13-

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

17, 2001
Lowell Board of Cable Television meeting of December 17, 2001
Community Leadership Cooperation Meeting of January 21, 2002

City offices are closed on Monday, February 18th in observance of President's Day. The next Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 19th.

On Thursday, January 24, Shepard Drive residents met with representatives of Holwerda Builders for approximately an hour to review the four-house development. The issues involved the culvert extension for the new drives among those discussed.

DPW Director Dan DesJarden was present and provided a short summary.

Enclosed is a letter from Earth Tech noting the Lowell Wastewater Treatment Plan with a Gold Excellence Award, one of the highest safety performance awards given by Earth Tech.

Item #8. APPOINTMENTS. Mayor Shores stated two letters have been received from individuals interested in serving on the Planning Commission. This was advertised in the paper. Shores asked for consensus from the Council to wait until the next meeting to allow more time. By general consensus, the Council agreed.

Also, Lowell Light and Power Councilmember Brubaker can longer serve as Council representative during the Lowell Light and Power Board meetings due to be held during a workday. Councilmembers Blough and Pfaller noted they would also have the same problem. Shores

stated she would be able to attend the meetings. By general consensus, the Council agreed.

By general consensus of the Council, Paul Nicholls was reappointed to the Airport Board expiring on January 1, 2005.

IT WAS MOVED BY PFALLER and seconded by BRUBAKER to adjourn at 8:10 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: Monday, February 18, 2002

C. Jeanne Shores, Mayor
Betty R. Morlock, Clerk



Alto Spelling Bee Winners

The 2001-02 Alto Elementary Spelling Bee victors, from left to right, are: Rachael Abel, runner-up; Laura Blanton, spelling bee winner; and in the middle is Alto Elementary principal, Mary Ann Schramm.

COLLEGE NEWS

Angela R. Young, of Lowell, was one of 214 students awarded dean's list recognition for the fall semester at Olivet College. Each se-

mester, students with a 3.5 or higher grade point average are named to the dean's list. Olivet College is a private, independent liberal arts

college located in Michigan's south central Lower Peninsula. More than 800 undergraduate and 50 graduate students study under the Olivet Plan in which students engage in both classroom and practical programs which combine real world experiences with lectures and service learning.

LHS powerlifting results:

Varsity, junior varsity and Lowell women's powerlifters competed in the West Michigan champions meet held at Comstock High School near Kalamazoo.

The junior varsity men's team and the Red Arrow women earned team titles, while the Lowell varsity men placed second.

Individual medal winners, their respected weight classes and totals are as follows:

WOMEN

Kendra Plotner (1st), 104 lbs., 425.
Tara Cariano (1st), 139 lbs., 595.
Erin Rolfe (1st), 176 lbs., 550.
Meghan Beachum (2nd), 116 lbs., 395.
Lindsey Sherman (2nd), 129 lbs., 380.

JUNIOR VARSITY

Adam Ingraham (2nd), 114 lbs., 520.
Dan Palasek (1st), 132 lbs., 895.
Brian Janeschek (2nd), 132 lbs., 805.
Sean Meyers (1st), 145 lbs., 885.
Jon Eickhoff (2nd), 145 lbs., 810.
Sam Hopkins (3rd), 145 lbs., 725.
Tom Eldridge (2nd), 155 lbs., 855.
Jake Cosgrove (2nd), 165 lbs., 935.
Jeff McPherson (1st), 181 lbs., 970.
Tim Droese (3rd), 181 lbs., 905.
Ryan Esbaugh (3rd), 198 lbs., 950.
Paul Schellenberger (2nd), 200 lbs., 1105.

220 lbs., 1145.
Brenden Harden (2nd) 242 lbs., 1105.

VARSITY

Matt D'Agostino (2nd), 132 lbs., 855.
Cory Krieg (3rd), 132 lbs., 770.
Mark Catlin (3rd), 165 lbs., 1175.
Brian Posthumus (2nd), 181 lbs., 1155.
Dustin VanLoon (1st), 198 lbs., 1355.
Jordan Moore (2nd), 220 lbs., 1185.
Jason Craig (3rd), 242 lbs., 1170.
Mike DeVries (1st), 275 lbs., 1395.
Dave Hefferan (2nd), 275 lbs., 1260.
Jake VanPutten (2nd), Super HWT, 1085.

Financial Focus

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Steering Your 401(k) through a Bumpy Stock Market

The stock market has gone through some tough times over the past couple of years - and your 401(k) balance probably reflects this reality. What steps can you take to "perk up" your 401(k) account statements? Should you take any action at all?

Before you start considering changes, it's important to realize that your 401(k)'s performance carries a significant emotional impact. After all, you may get a good percentage of your retirement money from your 401(k) - so if it isn't doing well, you might be understandably nervous.

And yet, you'll want to keep two things in mind before making changes to your 401(k). First, never make any investment decisions based on emotions - it's almost always a mistake. Second, remember that your 401(k) is a long-term vehicle. Therefore, unless your retirement is imminent, you shouldn't overly concern yourself with short-term performances.

Nonetheless, you may still want to adjust your 401(k) in response to the current market environment - but the changes you make may not be the ones that initially spring to mind.

For example, you might be tempted to move some money from the equity accounts within your 401(k) to fixed income choices, such as bonds, or even to "cash" vehicles, such as a money market account. By doing so, you reason, you'll reduce your overall risk level.

But are you? While you may be lowering your short-term investment risk, you'll be incurring another, more dangerous, type of risk: the risk of losing purchasing power. Your fixed-income and cash instruments may not keep up with inflation - and although inflation had been low the past few years, it hasn't disappeared altogether. Over time, even a mild inflation rate can erode your purchasing power - and that can hurt you in your retirement years.

So, rather than "going conservative" in your 401(k), you may want to take a totally

different approach: Put more money in your plan's equity accounts. When stock prices are down, your investment dollars will buy more shares - so you're actually buying shares "on sale." And if you're investing in good solid companies, your perseverance should eventually be rewarded. As long as your employer's 401(k) plan has several different investment options, you should be able to find the type of high-quality stocks that meet your individual needs. Keep in mind, though, that equities are subject to market risk, including the potential loss of principal invested.

Of course, if you are within two or three years of retirement, then it may be a good idea to shift some of

your 401(k) dollars into more stable, liquid investments. But, even then, you'll want some exposure to equities. You probably won't be cashing out your 401(k) completely when you retire, so you'll want the accounts to keep growing - and that means you need some stocks.

It's not always easy to "go against the grain" and put your faith - and your money - into those 401(k) accounts that may not have performed well. But, with patience and discipline, you can do it. A financial professional can help you review your 401(k) options. Ultimately, by making the right 401(k) choices, you can go a long way toward building the resources you need for the retirement lifestyle you want.

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LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP NOTICE BOARD OF REVIEW

THE BOARD OF REVIEW OF LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP WILL MEET AT THE LOWELL TOWNSHIP HALL 2910 ALDEN NASH, SE

ON MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2002

between the hours of 9 a.m. - 12 Noon and 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.; also on

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2002

between the hours of 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the tax roll and hearing all claims. You may appeal your assessed valuation one of two ways:

- 1) By letter addressed to the Lowell Charter Township Supervisor and received by him prior to March 11, 2002; or
- 2) By phoning the Township Hall (897-7600) for an appointment to appear in person.

The tentative Real Property assessment ratio and assessment multiplier required by P.A. 165 of 1971 are

Ratio - 50% Multiplier - 1.00

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ON MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2002 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., and also on TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2002 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the tax roll and hearing all claims.
You may appeal your assessed valuation one of two ways:
To appear at the Board of Review, call 897-5671 on Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for an appointment to appear in person.
By letter addressed to:
Vergennes Township Assessor
P.O. Box 208
Lowell, MI 49331-0208
Mari Stone
Vergennes Township Clerk

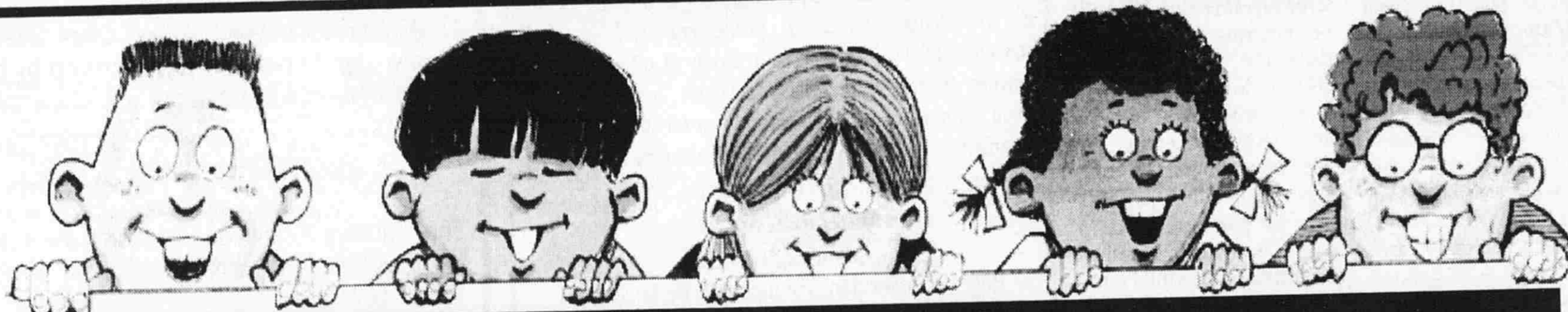
GRATTAN TOWNSHIP NOTICE
BOARD OF REVIEW
THE BOARD OF REVIEW OF GRATTAN TOWNSHIP WILL MEET AT THE GRATTAN TOWNSHIP HALL, 12050 OLD BELDING ROAD, BELDING, MICHIGAN, ON:
MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2002 between the hours of 9 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and
TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2002 between the hours of 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the tax roll and hearing all claims.
You may appeal your assessed valuation in person or by letter addressed to: Frank Buckley, Grattan Township Assessor, 12050 Old Belding Road, Belding, Michigan 48809. Written appeals must be received by March 8, 2002. Those wishing to appeal in person should call the Township offices between March 4 and March 7 to prearrange an appointment at 691-8450.
Tentative Ratio: Tentative Multiplier:
Agriculture 32.46 1.5403
Commercial 47.09 1.0617
Residential 44.94 1.1125
Tentative equalization factor is 1.00000
Frank Buckley
Assessor, Grattan Township

CITY OF LOWELL PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING
The Lowell City Planning Commission-Citizen Advisory Committee will conduct a public hearing at their regularly scheduled meeting of Monday, February 25, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lowell City Hall, 301 East Main St., Lowell for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on the following:
• An Ordinance to amend Section 2.13 definition of Chapter 2 Lot Lines, - Zoning Ordinance of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell, "Front lot lines: In the case of an interior lot, it is the line separating the lot from the street. In the case of a through lot, it is that line separating said lot from either street. A corner lot shall have two (2) front lines: a principal front lot line and a secondary front lot line. The principal front lot line shall be the shorter of the two (2) lot lines. Where the lot lines are of equal length, and/or the principal front lot line is not evident, then the zoning administrator shall determine the principal lot line."
Interested persons may submit written comments or appear in person at City Hall, 301 East Main Street, Lowell, MI 49331.
Betty R. Morlock
City Clerk
616-897-8457



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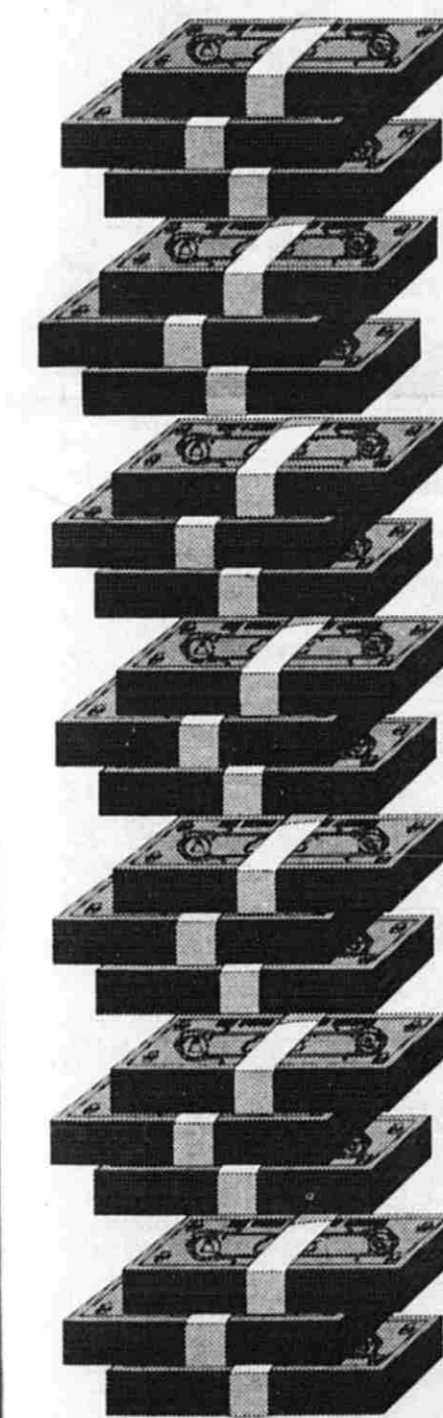
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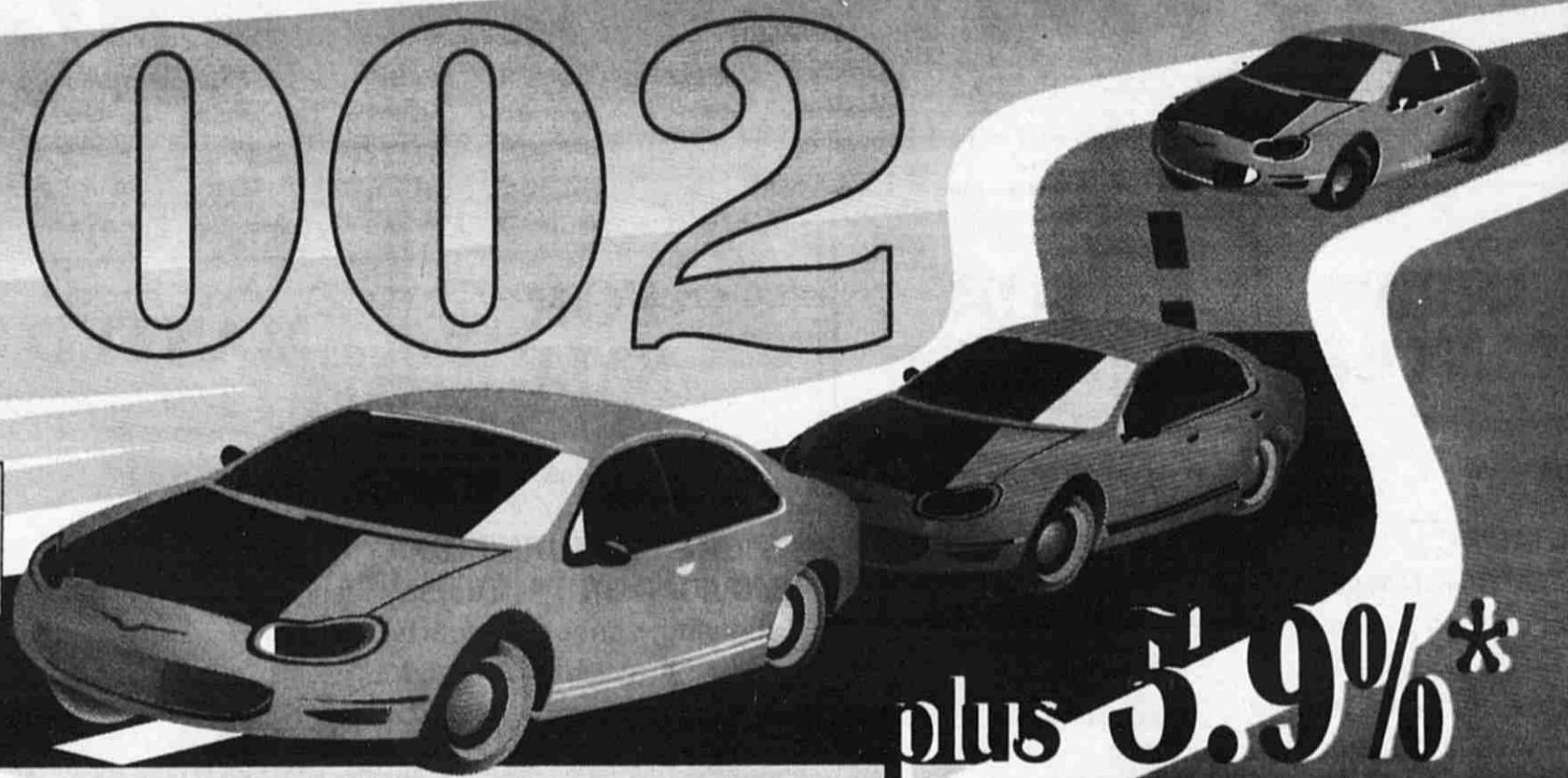
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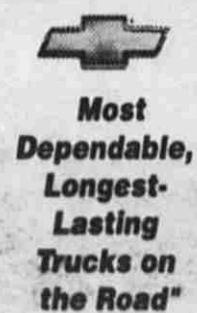


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 12:20, 2:35, 4:50, 7:05, 9:20
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 12:10, 2:30, 4:55, 7:10
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