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## Fly Away Home!

••• The population boom of the Asian Lady Beetle has many homeowners wishing they'd just go away.

Dealing with ladybugs in the house can be an emotional conundrum for many homeowners.

Ladybugs are one of the few insects they grew up with that they actually liked.

"On the other hand, fondness or not, people tend to get apprehensive when large numbers of any insect invade their space," according to Michigan State University Extension master gardener, Sandra Roelof.

For many West Michigan residents, the Asian Lady Beetles are wearing out their welcome - wishing the insect would "fly away home."

Why so many?

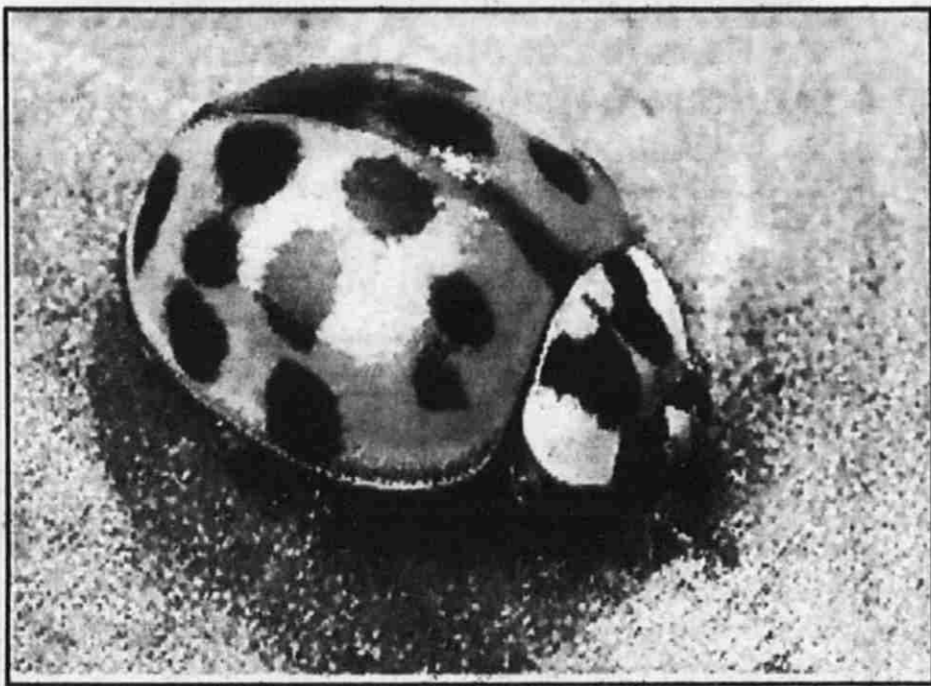
The population explosion began in 2000, and while it has slowed, the numbers are still large.

There were extremely large populations produced in 2000 all across the Great Lakes region. The reason for this is due to an enormous population explosion of the ladybugs' principal prey, the aphid.

Perfect weather conditions for aphid reproduction and survival during the summer as well as lots of food for the Asian lady beetle produced a tremendous number of ladybugs by summer's end.

Aphids did not have the reproductive success in 2001 as they had in 2000. However, there was a large population of ladybugs reported feeding on prey in soybean fields and in commercial fruit orchards.

Populations last year were enormous and even though there may have been a significant reduction last fall, the numbers will probably seem like a lot, according to Roelof. The variable colored and spotted Asian lady beetle is an



effective, natural control for harmful plant pests such as aphids, scale insects and other soft-bodied arthropods.

They have become a problem in some regions of the United States. It is probably that their introduction into new habitats in the United States freed these lady beetles from some natural population checks and balances.

Roelof said it is likely these natural controls will catch up to the lady

beetles in time and curtail their booming population.

Household insecticides will kill ladybugs. However, over the course of the fall when they enter the house and during winter when they wake up from hibernation and find their way into homes, homeowners would be spraying on a daily basis.

That may not be the best solution since homeowners would be spraying insecticides often on their walls, windows and countertops - not to mention that dead ladybugs would still have to be cleaned up.

Roelof encourages homeowners to rely on fly swatters, wash rags and, best of all, dust buster-type vacuums.

The lady beetle is attracted to light colored dwellings and other man-made objects. As a result it enters dwellings through cracks, crevices and other small openings around windows, doors and roofs.

Locating where the lady beetles are amassing is not always easy or practical in the fall. However, warm weather is a good time to examine the exterior of the home and other buildings to determine and repair possible entries.

## Schloop and Tomczak 2002 class' top two of 10

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Graduation may be more than a month away, but Melissa Schloop and Shelby Tomczak's preparation may have already begun.

Schloop has earned the honors as the Class of 2002 valedictorian while Tomczak was named salutatorian.

Schloop will attend Michigan Technological University in the fall where she will study biomedical engineering. Schloop, in four years at Lowell High School, built a 4.115 grade point average. The senior is the daughter of John and Julie Schloop.

Tomczak will attend Western Michigan University in the fall where she plans to study engineering. Tomczak has accumulated a grade point average of 4.060 in her four years at Lowell High School. The senior is the daughter of Roger and Kathy Tomczak.

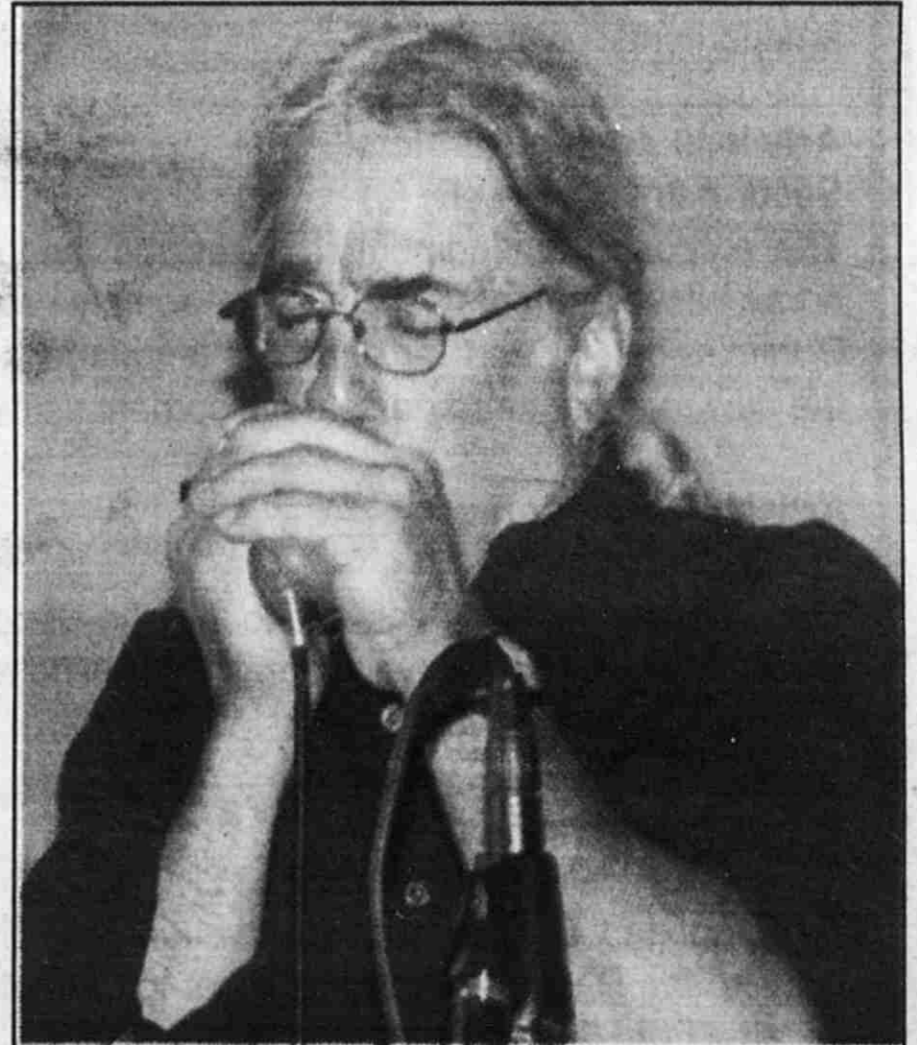
Lowell High School principal, Scott Vashaw announced Lowell's Top 10 at the Academic Dessert.

"The leadership these students have demonstrated other than in the classroom is impressive," Vashaw said. "They have been a very active group in co-curricular activities."

Filling in spots three through five are Kelsey Scheider, 4.058; Erin Weber, 4.042; and David Johnson, 4.037.

Scheider will attend Albion College. She hopes to pursue a career as an actress or news broadcaster. She is the daughter of Mike and Marcia Scheider.

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Alive & Well's Chuck Luscombe adds a little soul with his harmonica at Saturday night's Rockin' for the LAAC at Larkin's "The Other Place." Story and more pictures, page 9

## Musician lineup released for summer concert series

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

With the exception of Aug. 8, the entertainment lineup for the second annual Showboat Summer Concert series has been confirmed.

The summer series will start a week later (June 13) and run for 10 weeks, through Aug. 15.

All the concerts will be held on the Lowell Riverwalk with the exception of the July 4 show which will take place at the fairgrounds.

"The committee made a conscious effort not to bring back any musical group which performed last year," said executive producer, Gordon Gould. "It will be an eclectic 10 weeks. It's not 10 weeks of the same thing."

The musical styles range from Celtic to country; from gospel to folkwave; and from rock to bluegrass.

Lowell Area Arts Council executive director, Loraine Smalligan, who helped establish the event with Liz Baker, executive director of the Lowell Area Chamber of Com

Concert Series, cont'd. pg. 8

## Honorary diplomas made available to veterans of WWII

A bill introduced by Michigan's Steven Ehardt, of Lexington, will enable schools to award honorary diplomas to veterans who did not graduate but joined the armed forces during WWII.

Public Act 181 was passed on Dec. 20, 2001.

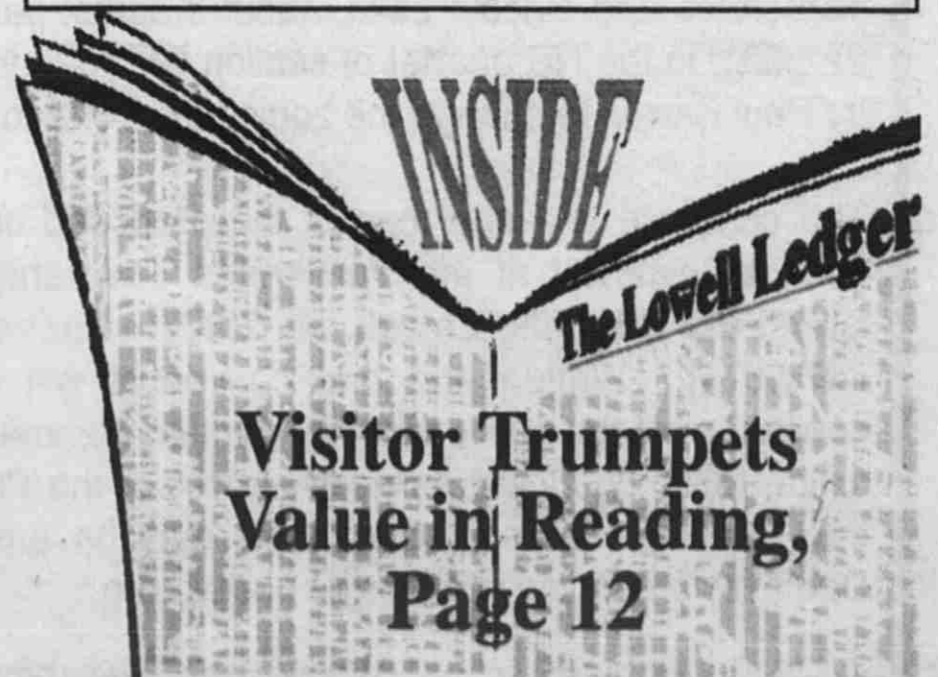
"The idea has been kicked around a long time," said Jim Ballard of Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals.

VFW Post 8303 and American Legion Post 152 service officer, Mike Willard said he felt it was a terrific idea, but only wished that it had been done sooner.

"It's a great idea and I'm sure there must be veterans out there," Willard explained. "Although the average age of WWII veterans is 85, anything we can do to honor their service is a good thing."

Lowell High School principal, Scott Vashaw asked that any eligible veteran or resident who may know a veteran please contact him at the high school (897-4125).

They can also contact Willard at 897-5466.





# OBITUARIES

**DE BRUYN - Peter De** Bruyn, aged 78, of Kentwood and Kingman, Ariz., passed away Tuesday, April 9, 2002. He was a loved and respected father, grandfather, great-

grandfather, family member and dear friend. Peter served with honor and full commitment in WWII, receiving the Purple Heart. He was preceded in death by his wife Margaret. He is survived by his sons and daughters-in-law, David and Jacques De Bruyn of Kentwood, Steve and Linda Walsh, Mike and LuAnn Walsh all of Colorado, Ken and Cathy Walsh of Lowell; 12 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; his sisters and

brothers Liz Harrison, Pauline Vander Leest, John and Phyllis De Bruyn, Alida and Bob Rittenhouse, Johanna (Anne) Send, Bill De Bruyn; several nieces and nephews. A memorial service was held Tuesday, April 23 at the Matthysse-Kuiper-DeGraaf Funeral Home with Pastor Wayne Schmidt officiating. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Hospice of Michigan.

**SHULTIS - Ethyle M.** Shultis, aged 88, of Flint, passed away April 22, 2002 at Montrose Nursing Home. Mrs. Shultis was born in Lowell on May 2, 1913, the daughter of Leone and Myrtle (Potter) Alexander. She lived in Flint and Pinellas Park, Fla. Ethyle married Lloyd Shultis in Lowell on July 5, 1932. He preceded her in death on January 14, 2000. Ethyle was a member of the Order of Eastern Star Cyclamen, chapter #94. She is survived by a son William and his wife Delores Shultis of Clio; daughter JoAnn and husband Paul McGovern of Davison; grandchildren Kevin Shultis, Karen McLavish, Todd Shultis, Wendy Daniel, Daniel Shultis, Kristen Schroyer, Kari Ward, Danna Burns and Bryce McGovern; 13 great-grandchildren; one great-great grandchild; one sister Lucille Adriane of Lowell;

one brother Merle Alexander of Lowell. Ethyle was preceded in death by her daughter Shirley Mae, son Kenneth Lloyd, brother Ray Alexander and sister Florence. Funeral services were held on April 23 at the Allen Funeral Home with Rev. Harold K. Polk officiating. Burial at Oakwood Cemetery, Lowell. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer Association.

**VAN STRIGHT - Clara R.** Van Stright, aged 82, of Lowell, passed away April 17, 2002. She was preceded in death by her husband Verne. Mrs. Van Stright is survived by her children Karen (Henry) Velzen of Wyoming, Robert (Karen) Van Stright of Rockford, Janice (Allan) Bosscher of Lowell; grandchildren Alissa Bosscher, Nathan Bosscher, Ira Bosscher, Chris and Jenn Velzen, Carolyn and Dan Krueger, Cheri and Dean Krueger, Cory Velzen, Cathi Velzen, Tyler Van Stright, Jill Van Stright; great-grandchildren Caleb and Megan Velzen; brother Donald (Catherine) Wiersum; sisters Marge Rotman, Joan (Henry) VanderBrink; sister-in-law Shirley Wiersum; brother-in-law Herman Damstra. Funeral services were held Saturday at Calvary Christian Reformed Church of Lowell. Rev. Peter Adams, officiating. Interment Grandville Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Holland Home.

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## VERGENNES TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing before the Vergennes Township Planning Commission will be held on **Monday May 6, 2002 at 7:00 PM, at the Vergennes Township Hall, located at 10381 Bailey Drive, Lowell, MI** to consider proposed amendments to the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance. A summary follows for the proposed text amendments.

### Article IV General and Special Regulations: Section 201.416

The proposed amendments are to create a new section pertaining to the permitted uses, application and review procedures and site development standards for manufactured home developments. The standards include such areas as minimum acreage, setbacks, lot size, roads, sidewalks, skirting, screening, street names and house numbering, lighting, open space, utilities, communication equipment, mailbox clusters, school bus stops and other miscellaneous provisions. The Manufactured Housing Commission has approved the proposed amendments.

### Article III Zoning Districts: Section 201.306A - (B) (3)

The proposed amendment removes the language that manufactured home developments shall only comply with the Mobile Home Commission Act and replaces the language with the requirements of the new manufactured home development section 201.416.

### Article II Definitions: Section 201.202:

The proposed amendments are to add the State definition of "Seasonal Manufactured Home Development" pertaining to temporary occupancy and not a campground.

### Article III Zoning Districts: Section 201.306 (F) (3) and 201.311:

The proposed amendments are to change the rear yard setback in the R-2 and the R-3 districts from 50 feet to 30 feet. The bulk table will be updated from 50 to 30 feet.

### Zoning Map Amendment:

A rezoning application of property located at the SE corner of Vergennes and Lincoln Lake, about 3 acres, parcel number 41-16-34-227-001, in the NE quarter of section 34, 432 Lincoln Lake Ave, Lowell by Paul Barron to change the zoning from R-2 to Commercial.

The complete text and map of the proposed ordinance amendments can be reviewed at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, PO Box 208, Lowell, MI 49331 - Phone: (616) 897-5671 [fax 897-5674]. Written and oral comments will be received until the conclusion of the public hearing. Written comments may be addressed to the Planning Commission Chairman or the Planning Coordinator at the Township Offices. Comments may be emailed to the Planning Commission at: zoning@vergennestwp.org.

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## Lowell Community Events Calendar 2002

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>KDL - Kent District Library Family Storytime</b> is a fun time for young children and their families. Join us in Lowell or Alto! The <b>Fallsburg Historical Society</b> Fallsburg School House & Misner Museums are open every Saturday and Sunday, from 1-6:00pm, every weekend until October 27. Don't forget to check out <b>Visitor Nights</b> at the <b>Veen Observatory</b> , but ONLY if the sky is clear! 9:00-Midnight, Saturdays, May 11 and May 25. Call first or check their website. www.graaa.org.			<b>1</b> YMCA: Senior Moments Program, Focusing on the Mind, Body & Spirit of Today's seniors! 9-11am. \$2 fee. FLPC: PEPPERS Senior Group, 1-3:00pm. \$10 fee.	<b>2</b> LACC: Long Term Care Seminar, 12:00 Noon at the Chamber. Lunch provided.	<b>3</b> WVC: Family Day! 4 Scout Program at the Wittenbach Center! Self-guided tours, hot drinks, wildflower walk, & more! 11-3pm. All ages. Edible wild plant wkshp, 11-12. Brownie badge, 1-3pm. KCYF: Antique Tractor Pull at the Fairgrounds.	<b>4</b> WVC: Family Day! KCYF: Antique Tractor Pull at the Fairgrounds. VEEN: Visitor Night ONLY if the sky is clear! 9m-12am, Adults-\$2, 5-17, \$1
<b>5</b> CROP: 8th Annual Lowell Area Hunger Walk Registration 1-1:30 @ 1st United Methodist Church, no fee. Walkers get pledges. Join us! Call 897-6351 for info.	<b>6</b> WVC: Master Gardener Work Day at the Wittenbach Center Gardens! Help build native gardens. 9:00-3:00pm. Free. Please pre-register.	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> YMCA: Senior Moments Program, 9-11am. \$2 fee. FLPC: PEPPERS Senior Group, 1-3:00pm. \$10 fee. LAAC: Lowell High School Student Art Exhibit - Opening Reception, 6:30-8:00pm at the Arts Council.	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> KCYF: Antique Tractor Pull at the Fairgrounds. VEEN: Visitor Night ONLY if the sky is clear! 9m-12am, Adults-\$2, 5-17, \$1
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> WVC: Lowell Area Showboat Garden Club presents a gardening workshop at the Wittenbach Center Gardens! 7:30-9:00am. Free. Please pre-register.	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> YMCA: Senior Moments Program, 9-11am. \$2 fee. FLPC: PEPPERS Senior Group, 1-3:00pm. \$10 fee.	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> LAAC: Youth Theatre "The Prince Who Wouldn't Talk", 7:00pm at Cherry Creek Elementary, FREE.	<b>18</b> NOTE: The Foodmobile is for all. Mostly produce. FROM: FoodMobile at Fairgrounds. Bring your own bags. 10-Noon LAAC: "The Prince Who Wouldn't Talk", 3:00 & 7:00pm at Cherry Creek Elementary, FREE.
<b>19</b> LAAC: Youth Theatre "The Prince Who Wouldn't Talk", 3:00pm at Cherry Creek Elementary, FREE.	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> YMCA: Senior Moments Program, 9-11am. \$2 fee. FLPC: PEPPERS Senior Group, 1-3:00pm. \$10 fee.	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> KDL: (Lowell) Hero Orientation (New volunteers), 1:00pm, 11 & up. KCYF: Antique Tractor Pull at the Fairgrounds. VEEN: Visitor Night ONLY if the sky is clear! 9m-12am, Adults-\$2, 5-17, \$1
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> NO SCHOOL Lowell Memorial Day Parade 10:00AM MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY	<b>28</b> KDL: (Lowell) Hero Orientation (New volunteers), 6:30pm, ages 11 & up.	<b>29</b> YMCA: Senior Moments Program, 9-11am. \$2 fee. FLPC: PEPPERS Senior Group, 1-3:00pm. \$10 fee. KDL: (Alto) Hero Orientation (New volunteers), 4:00pm, ages 11 & up.	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	

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			<b>1</b> YMCA: Senior Moments Program, 9-11am. \$2 fee. FLPC: PEPPERS Senior Group, An easy-going group with an emphasis on abilities, not disability 1-3:00pm. \$10 fee, weekly	<b>6</b> LACC: Medical Supplemental & Healthcare Educational Seminar & Lunch, 12-Noon, at the Chamber. FREE!		<b>8</b> CHERRY CREEK CLASSIC 5K RUN & WALK: Registration @ 7:00am, Run & Walk @ 8am. Call 897-5254 or 897-5148 for more info. VEEN: Visitor Night ONLY if the sky is clear! 9m-12am, Adults-\$2, 5-17, \$1.
			<b>12</b> YMCA: Senior Moments Program, 9-11am. \$2 fee. FLPC: PEPPERS Senior Group, 1-3:00pm. \$10 fee. KDL: (Alto): Beaded Wire Jewelry Workshop. Beaded jewelry is fun to make for yourself & friends. Registration req., we supply materials. 1:30pm. 11 & up. Last Day of School	<b>13</b> LAAC: LOWELL SHOWBOAT SUMMER CONCERT SERIES, FREE! 7-9:00pm. Tonight's concert: Celtic music by "Fonnmbor". KDL: (Lowell): Kite Day, 1:30pm. Learn about the history & styles of kites, then make your own. Ages 6 & up. FREE!		<b>15</b> KCYF: Rabbit Show at the Fairgrounds, Foreman Bldg. 5:00pm KCYF: Horse Show at the Fairgrounds Horse Arena. KCYF: Antique Tractor Pull at the Fairgrounds.
	<b>10</b> KDL: (Alto): Family Storytime, Ages 6 & <. 10:30AM	<b>11</b>	<b>19</b> YMCA: Senior Moments Program, 9-11am. \$2 fee. FLPC: PEPPERS Senior Group, 1-3:00pm. \$10 fee. KDL: (Alto): Funny Waiver Show (Juggling!) For all Ages. 1:30pm.	<b>20</b> LAAC: LOWELL SHOWBOAT SUMMER CONCERT SERIES- Horns of Power 7-9:00pm. FREE! KDL: (Lowell): Teen Theater Workshop, 2:00pm. Calling all actors-a workshop with puppetry, beginning acting skills, more! Ages 11 & up. Pre-reg.		<b>22</b> KCYF: Showmanship Clinic-How to Show Animals at the Fairgrounds in the Reeth Show Barn. KCYF: Horse Show at the Fairgrounds in the Horse Arena.
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# Reflections Of Faith

Rev. Bill Renkema  
Calvary CRC

Two weeks ago, 10 grandchildren gathered around an elderly man in a hospital room. Cancer had left little strength in his body. He was hours from death. They drew nearer to him. He reached out his hand, grasped each of them, and his last words to them were, with some variations to each, "Serve God. Stay with God. Serve Him with all your strength. Serve Him with your wives and children when you marry. Serve Him in Your work. Serve God."

Two of those grandchildren are my own children, both college students. They will carry my father-in-law's command with them all the days of their lives, and be better for it. My only regret is that my other two children were not present.

Parents and grandparents pass on a lot of experiences, thoughts, and values to their children. There is nothing more precious than the passing on of faith from generation to generation.

We talk about quality time with our children, and mean taking them to soccer games and movies. We talk about family activities, and mean playing games or going on vacation. We talk about religion, and mean taking our

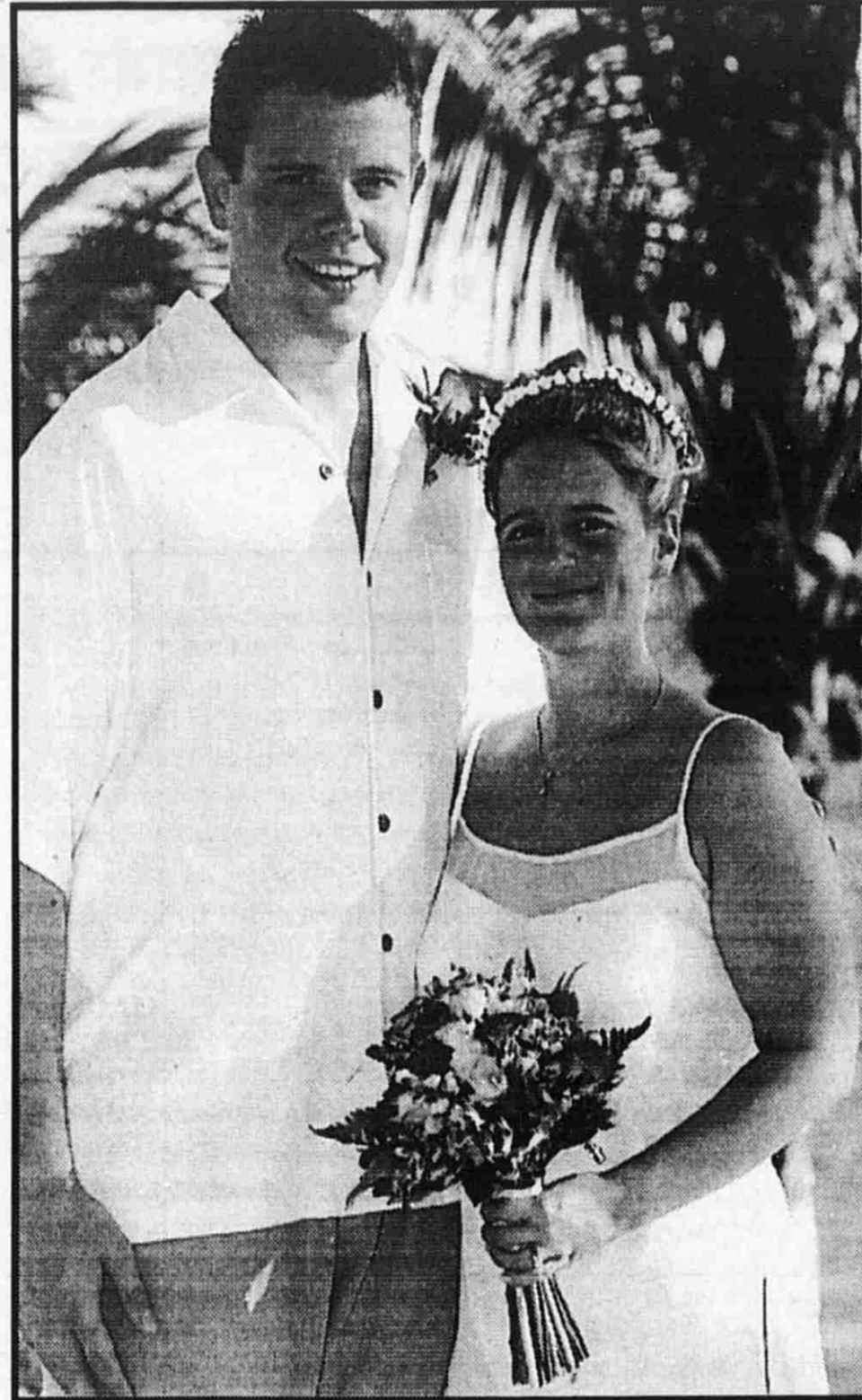
children to church. There is something that needs to function behind the scenes for any of these to be truly effective. Quality time, family activities, and church are all opportunities to pass on to our children the faith and values we hold dear. Our children need to see our own convictions, our own passion for the Lord. That is how they will develop their own convictions and passion for the faith.

What my father-in-law did with his last strength worked for his grandchildren because they were already convinced by the way he had lived his life that he spoke from personal conviction and with a passion for the faith that he had demonstrated consistently through the years. I hope my legacy as a parent will be as effective as his.

### AREA BIRTHS

Tom and Julie Boehr of Lowell are thrilled to announce the arrival of their beautiful daughter, Ashley Nicole. She was born at 12:21 p.m. at Spectrum Health Butterworth Campus on April 11, 2002, weighing 6 lbs. 14 oz. and measuring 19 inches long.

Proud grandparents are John and Leslie Magee of Saranac and Dick and Corinne Boehr of Bluffton, Ohio.



## Korman/Idema

The marriage of Jennifer Idema and Kevin Korman was celebrated on New Year's Eve 2001 at the Frenchmen's Reef in St. Thomas, US VI.

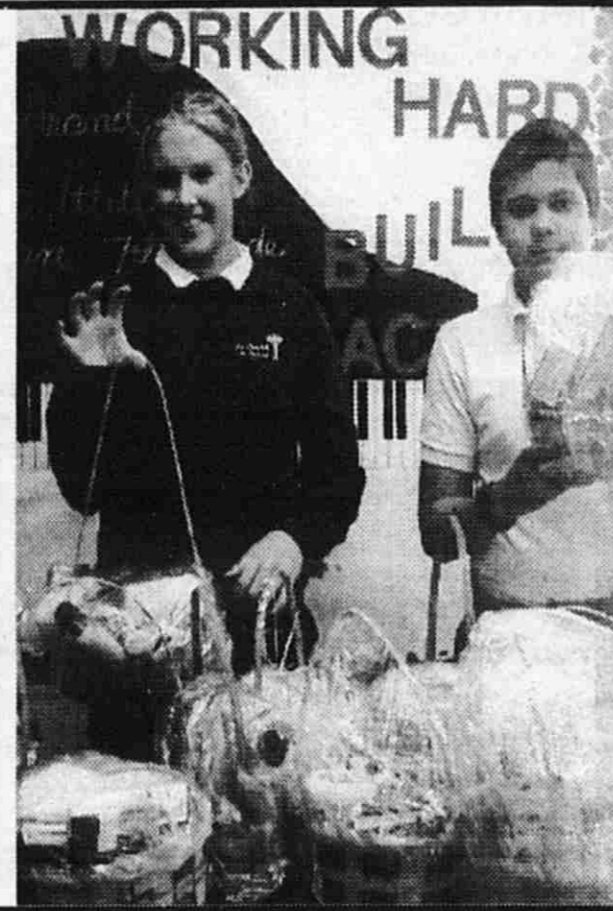
The bride is the daughter of Peggy Idema of Lowell and the late Steve Idema. The groom is the son of Charlene and Kevin Korman of Dickson City, Pa.

The bride's attendants were her sister, Julie Simmons and her brother, Anthony Kiedis. The groom's sister, Kim Korman was also an attendant.

A reception was held in March in Atlanta, Ga. The couple will be living in Phoenix, Ariz. after May 1.

## St. Pat's Students Deliver

St. Patrick seventh grade students, Val Stoffer and Justin Shanghai, help package the 200 Easter baskets donated by the parishioners of St. Patrick Church. The seventh grade class delivered the baskets to God's Kitchen for their Capitol Lunch program.



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# Viewpoint . . .



## cozy corner by Roger Brown

I'm a good driver ... I'll bet. Sure, I have been in a few fender benders over the years. And, it is true that traffic cops and I have had our share of encounters. Yes, it is also true that my wife thinks my driving is nothing short of abominable. My opinion of my driving skills may simply be the result of a runaway ego, but I don't think so.

When I compare myself to the crazy mixture of maniacal, brain-dead, aggressive, drunk, one-foot-in-the-grave, just-got-their-license, cell-phone-talkin', high-bailin' trucker, croch-rocket-ridin', Benz-drivin'-lawyer-type, tailgating, lane changing, out-to-lunch, NASCAR wanna-be bunch of morons I encounter out on the roadways, I can't help but think I'm pretty darned good behind the wheel. And guess what? I'll bet you feel the same way about yourself. So ... my question is, if we all think we're good drivers, where do all these knuckleheads come from?

Here's an example of what I tend to experience out on the roadways. One day last week, I left my house to run a short errand. I was driving my pickup truck through the neighborhood and down a long street that is the only connector to the highway. I used to live on that street and know firsthand how the residents feel about drivers blowing by at 45 or 50 when it's posted at 25 miles per hour. I've hollered at my share of speeders. Of course, I was flipped off in return by most.

I was cruising along at about 30 miles per hour when I saw a big 4x4 truck roar up from behind and take up position a few inches from my bumper. Probably a worker on one of the home construction sites in the area. The truck was a Ford. I could tell because the blue oval logo on the grill filled my mirror.

If it weren't for oncoming traffic, I'm guessing the driver would have gunned it, passed me, cut in close when he got by my front bumper and flipped me off in the process. I might be wrong about that, but probably not. These aggressive guys are quite predictable.

The street is only a few blocks long. At the corner I signaled my turn out to the main highway. Even though it is my experience that most drivers are incapable of signaling a right turn, I always do. I saw a bumper sticker the other day that said, "Visualize Your Turn Signals." In other words, hey ... how about letting the rest of us know what you're up to behind the wheel. In this case it was a courtesy to a driver waiting at the corner. Seeing my turn signal he could have proceeded. Of course, the guy on my bumper didn't signal, so my courtesy went for naught.

As I pulled up to the highway I stopped at, and perhaps slightly over, the white stripe that indicates where to stop. I signaled a left turn. I surveyed the situation. There was traffic coming from the left and right. There was a vehicle in the center turn lane waiting to make a left onto my street. It was going to be awhile before I could make my turn. The meathead behind me started blowing his horn.

I looked in my mirror and the driver, a guy in his late twenties or early thirties, was impatiently pointing to the right. He apparently figured that if I nosed my bumper out to the very edge of the highway, he'd have room to squeeze between my truck and the stop sign for his right turn. I'm not sure what good it would have done, because, as I already said, there was traffic from both directions. What would you do?

There were several things I didn't like about his menacing request. I didn't like the idea of having my bumper inches from highway speed traffic. I didn't want to be in the way of the guy trying to make a left off from the highway. And, most of all, I didn't want to make life any easier for the bonehead behind me.

In the old days, I might have gone a bit further. I might have put my car in reverse and just started backing up. I might have put it in park, gotten out and gone back for a "chat" with the boy. I might have flipped him off. But, the older I get, the less I'm inclined to flagrantly irritate a guy half my age who frames houses for a living. I just sat there.

I sat there while the guy made his left turn off the highway. I knew him, and gave him a wave. There were times when I could have taken the center turn lane, then merged into the traffic flow. But, I just sat there. Traffic finally cleared from both directions and I leisurely executed my turn. When I went, the blue oval disappeared from my rear view mirror and smoking tires rounded the corner in the other direction. I'm sure I made his day.

Now, if the 4x4 driver were writing this column, he'd likely have the same opinion of his driving as I do of mine. He'd tell the story about an overly cautious, slowpoke, gray-haired old poop who oughta have his license taken away. These old geezers just take up space on the road when I'm out there trying to get some work done. And so on. And so on. And so on. So ... if we're all good drivers, why do these road rage incidents not only persist, but all indicators say they're steadily increasing? I don't have an answer other than suggesting we all try to lighten up when behind the wheel. I'm going to close this out with another bumper sticker I saw recently that seems appropriate. The bumper sticker simply said, "Oh, Evolve!" Let's all try to evolve into better, more courteous drivers.



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

### 125 YEARS THE WEEKLY JOURNAL APRIL 25, 1877

Several small bridges in the county were swept away in the recent heavy rain storm.  
Prof. Mills, mesmerist and magnetizer, is at Train's Hall every night this week.  
Clear up the rubbish and tend to your yards.  
Grand Rapids is to have a home for fallen women.  
The bridge at Ada will no longer charge tolls.

### 114 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER APRIL 27, 1888

The Journal goes to eight columns and very small type (I hope the readers complain).  
A Grand Rapids' speculator leases Ottawa Beach near Holland for \$1,400.  
The Lowell Water Co. now has 30 customers.  
Editor suggests that Lowell could profit by a paper mill or a potato starch factory.  
An estimated 60 million feet of logs has started to show up on the Flat River, joining the drive on the Grand.

### 75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER AND THE ALTO SOLO APRIL 28, 1927

Former sheriff Wm. L. Smith is cleared of negligence charges. It seems that an officer took three prisoners to the sheriff's home and "left them there unattended to repair a sewer."  
Officer Pat Bowes takes a job as detective for the Hayes-Ionia Corp. in Grand Rapids.  
Dairy farmers are warned that many cities require tuberculin testing of cattle before milk may be sold to residents.  
"Stray matter" on the edges of the known universe, the one to which our earth and sun belong, indicate there are other universes.  
Happy Allen's General Store at McCords has groceries, seed, paints, cold remedies and rubber foot wear listed in the ad.

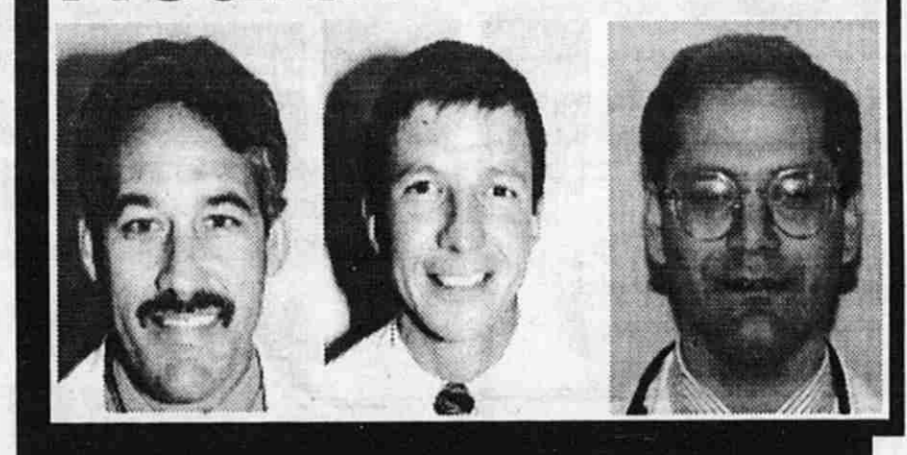
### 50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER APRIL 24, 1952

The Michigan Department of Health rules Lowell's sewer construction of last summer unacceptable, due to not following plans, so it has to be corrected this summer.  
The newly-organized parish of St. Robert's in Ada meets Sundays at Kennedy's Restaurant.  
The Fire Department asks that people not follow fire engines or congregate at a fire scene. Cars and bicycles may delay fire equipment from reaching the scene, as well as get in the way.  
Readers are reminded that OPS ceiling prices also cover cost of car repairs.  
MSC food specialists say that the health foods blackstrap molasses, wheat germ and yogurt are not miracle cures.

### 25 YEARS THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER APRIL 28, 1977

GEM Surveys, Inc. starts field work on surveying all Lowell properties, inside and outside.  
Construction will start soon on a new bowling alley/restaurant/lounge west of the city on M-21.  
Lowell Middle School has about 10 gallons of maple syrup for sale, from its sugar bush operations. Money will be used for more sugaring equipment.  
Predictions for living costs in 2001 (6% inflation); economy car, \$17,160; house, \$171,600; Sunday paper, \$1.50; loaf of bread, \$2.15; and Big Mac, \$3.22  
Mrs. Robert Elzinga presents a petition calling for another millage vote to the school board.

## Health



### TRIPLE TEST SCREENING IN PREGNANCY

As part of standard prenatal care, women are asked to undergo several screening tests. These screens are designed to detect any potential abnormalities with the developing fetus.

## To The Editor

To the Editor,  
On an unseasonably warm April evening my musical peers and I were readying ourselves for a community fundraiser. While the sound system was being brought in and set in its place I took the opportunity to walk along the riverside and down Main Street. I paused for a few moments and breathed in the stillness that soothed the butterflies racing in my stomach. I admit to being a little nervous but excited at the same time and like so many others who had been giving their time and effort into making this a successful fundraiser, we were keeping our fingers crossed for decent attendance.  
On April 19 and 20, housed within the old Strand Theatre (now known as Larkin's Other Place), the forces of creative energies were at work yet again as the euphonious atmosphere brought together friends, family and community to support The Lowell Area Arts Council. What a privilege it was for me to share the stage with so many talented people. Like the events of last summer, it stood in my heart as a tribute to all those musicians who came before us.

The triple test screen is a blood test that measures three specific things in the blood stream of the pregnant patient. The results of this test can help your doctor in assessing your baby's risk for certain types of birth defects.

Remember, this test is only a "screen." That is, the results are not conclusive for an abnormality in the developing baby - so if the results are abnormal, further testing is required. Most often the test results are abnormal because the baby is younger or older than your doctor thought. Many potential birth defects are not even detectable with this test.

The triple test is most accurate if done between the 16th and 18th weeks of pregnancy. If it is abnormal, your doctor will probably want you to see a specialist for further testing. The first step is usually a sophisticated ultrasound exam. This test can check the baby's age and look at the brain, spinal cord, kidneys and heart. Another test which may be suggested to you is an amniocentesis, which checks the fluid around the baby. The results of all these tests will hopefully help your doctors decide if your baby has certain types of birth defects.

In July of 2001, the Flat River served as a backdrop for the *Rockin Reunion* concert where both musicians and audience members were seduced and drawn into the memory of a time less complex. We were all witnesses to the love of music pouring down through the generations as we remembered those who performed on the showboat in years past. We also saw sons and daughters, established musicians in their own right, on stage with their parents. All native to Lowell, these performers have seen their paths cross time and time again with many friendships coming around full circle. The magic that took place along the banks of the river that warm summer night can't be duplicated, but by offering their gifts and talents, these musicians continue to nourish the rich musical history that is a persistent and ever-evolving force of energy within the community of Lowell. By supporting and/or participating in these types of events, we all play our part in maintaining the vision of The Lowell Area Arts Council.

After all, it is the community that is the very soul of the LAAC and its future can be assured by providing a door of opportunity for any individual in pursuit of the arts in whatever capacity they choose.

With much appreciation,  
Pam Jones





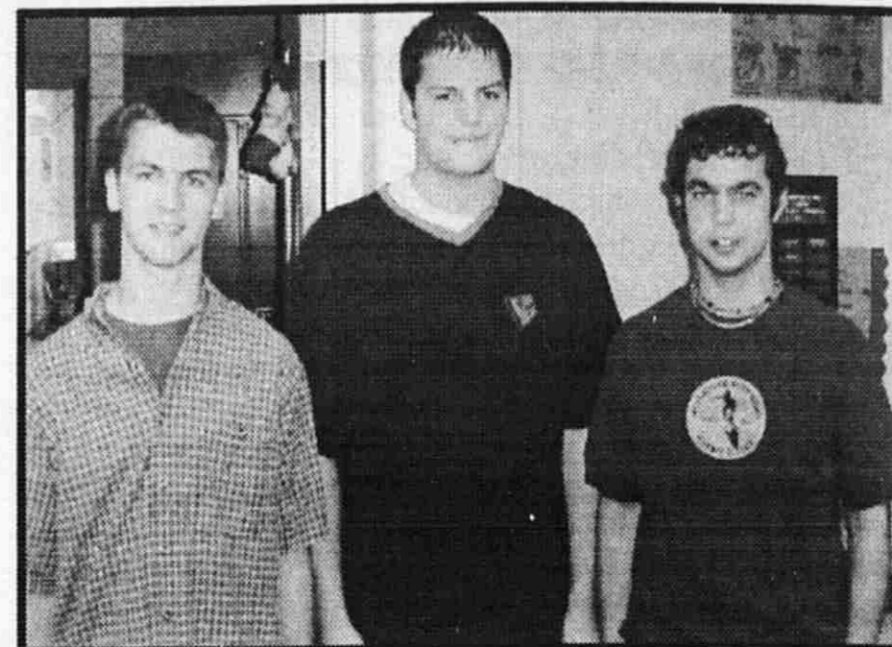
### Field Trip Takes Flight at Meijer Gardens

The kindergarten, first and second grade classes at St. Patrick School enjoyed a morning with the butterflies at Frederick Meijer Gardens. After spending time with the butterflies, the students went downstairs to visit the turtles.

### LHS BPA students excel at state conference

The Lowell Chapter of Business Professionals of America participated in the BPA State Leadership Conference on March 21-24 at the Renaissance Center in Detroit. Eighteen students from Lowell High School took part in business competitions against 2,000 students throughout the state of Michigan.

D.J. Armstrong earned a Gold Medal 1st place award in Financial Math, a 4th place in Banking & Finance, and a 7th place in Computerized Accounting. Andy Hansen earned a 4th place in International Business. Both Armstrong and



Pictured are Andy Hansen, David Walker and D.J. Armstrong; Parliamentary Procedure Team 2002 BPA State Leadership Conference.

Hansen qualified for the National Competition to be held in Chicago in May. David Walker earned an 8th place in Computerized Accounting.

Lowell's Parliamentary Procedure Team placed a very strong 4th place (out of 15 teams). Team members included

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### COLLEGE NEWS

It was announced on April 4 during honors convocation that **Shannon Finnegan**, a junior at Alma College, was one of 21 Alma College students to be selected for membership in Omicron Delta Kappa, national leadership honor society.

To qualify, a student must be a junior or a senior in the top third of



Shannon Finnegan, a junior at Alma College, with its president, Sandra Tracy.

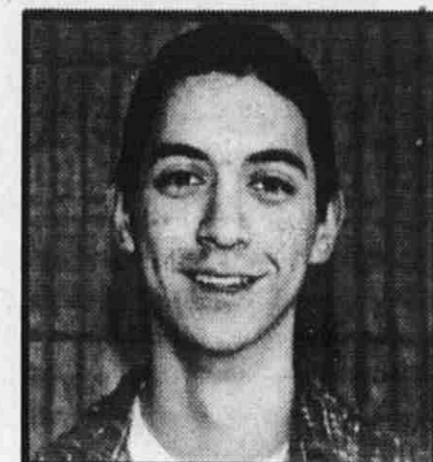
their class and participate in a wide variety of campus activities.

Finnegan also won a Morris K. Udall Scholarship for the 2002-2003 academic year from Alma College. This scholarship honors undergraduates with an interest in environmental studies. Her major is environmental policy and community public advocacy. After graduation, she plans to attend law school to study environmental law.

Also on April 4, Finnegan, along with 28 Alma College students, was awarded the President's Cup. She earned this honor by achieving the highest academic standing in her classes. Students earning this honor receive a certificate acknowledging their achievement and have their name inscribed on the appropriate class President's Cup trophy.

Alma College is a four-year liberal arts college best

known for its strong academic programs emphasizing a global perspective.



**David Clinton**, a 1999 graduate of Lowell High School and the son of Robert and Deborah Clinton of Lowell, was among the students who worked on the Cornerstone University student newspaper which won three awards in the 2001 MCPA Newspaper contest.

*The Herald*, a newspaper produced by students on a weekly basis during the

school year, won first place for "Deadline News Story"; second place for "General Excellence"; and third place for "Feature Photo" (a photo

of George W. Bush). Cornerstone University is a four-year liberal arts institution of higher education, located in Grand Rapids.

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Courtney Perkins, Katie Clements, Sarah Fitzpatrick, Jean Kimberlin, Nate Boyce, Zach Bruursema, Phil Moerdyke and Nate Vos. This was only the second time that Lowell had entered a parliamentary procedure team in the competition against schools which had been participating for many years.

Liz Gerard, Rachel Heinicke, Amy Howes, Katie Lum, Jason Murray and Joe Nugent also attended the State Leadership Conference, competing in various events and participating in Mini Sessions on business topics.

The Lowell BPA Chapter is in its third year of existence at Lowell High School. Business Professionals of America is a national student organization that serves students interested in pursuing careers in business and developing leadership skills. The advisor for BPA is Dee Crowley.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

APRIL 26: Casey Brown, Marsha Ray, Bonnie Baird, Audrey Bailey, Jonathan Christiansen.  
 APRIL 27: Janice Ryder, Dennis Pretzel, Debbie Burrows.  
 APRIL 28: Terese Brown, Tim Vezino, Shawna Austin, Kattie Hildenbrand.  
 APRIL 29: K.J. Vezino, Bryan Roth, Lucy Wade.  
 APRIL 30: Carmen Roudabush.  
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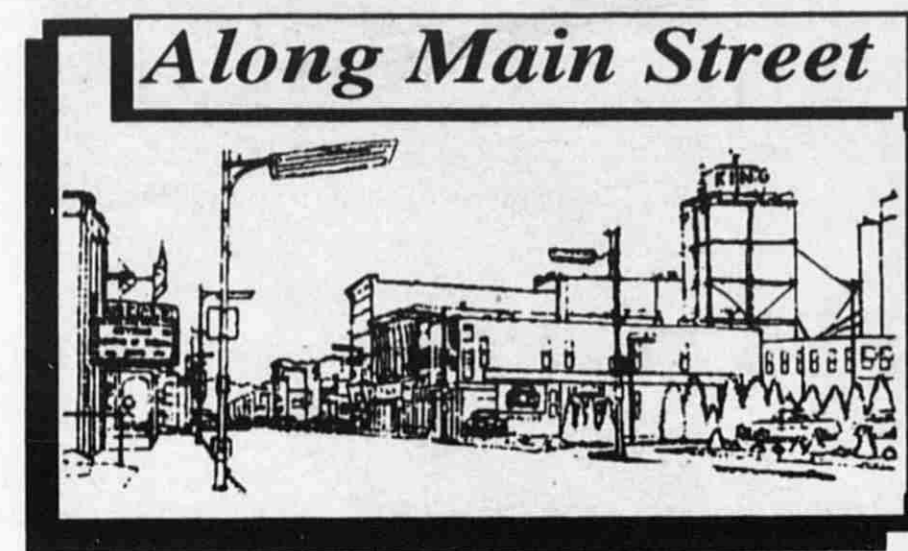
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**BOOK FAIR COMES TO BUSHNELL ELEMENTARY**  
The Scholastic Book Fair will be at Bushnell Elementary now through April 26. The fair is open daily to the community from 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. with a special Family Event on April 25 from 6-7:30 p.m. at which time student art and other activities will be featured during the annual Spring Fling.

**CHERRY CREEK REUNION DAY**  
All former Cherry Creek students and staff are invited to stop by Cherry Creek Elementary and reminisce with "old" teachers and friends for the first-ever Reunion Day on Wednesday April 24 from 4-5 p.m.

**APRIL FUN NIGHT**  
The Lowell Middle School will offer a fun night on Wednesday, April 24 from 2:30 - 4 p.m. at the middle school. For more information, call 897-9222.

## LEGAL NOTICES

**STATE OF MICHIGAN**  
61ST DISTRICT COURT

**JUDGMENT OF POSSESSION AFTER LAND CONTRACT FORFEITURE CASE NUMBER 2002-SP-0000052**

Kent County Court-house  
180 Ottawa NW  
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616-632-5525

**KATHLEEN M. HIRSCH**  
vs. **Kathleen M. Hirsch**  
147 52nd Street SE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49548

**RICHARD L. SMITH, ETAL.**

A judgment of possession for breach of a land contract is entered in this case.

Further Orders Plaintiff's Complaint as to **LAWRENCE A. BRISTOL**, whose last known address was 100 Diamond SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506, is adjourned for service.

February 20, 2002

**Kathleen M. Hirsch**  
147 52nd Street SE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49548

### LOWELL HISTORICAL MUSEUM SPRING PROGRAM

A spring program titled "The Stories, Mysteries & Characters That Dwell Within Oakwood Cemetery" will be presented by Don DeJong on Wednesday, April 24 at 7:30 p.m. at Lowell Charter Township Hall. The public is invited to this free program, and light refreshments will be served.

### SPAGHETTI DINNER BENEFIT

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a spaghetti dinner for the Leah Nawrocki Leukemia Fund at St. Patrick's Parish Center on Saturday, April 27 from 4-7:30 p.m. 50/50 raffle; pie sale; silent auction. Adults: \$8; K-8th graders: \$4; preschoolers free. For ticket info, call Diane Brown at 897-7611.

### ALUMNI DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE

There are still some Lowell High School alumni directories available from 1950 - 1962. If you are interested call Judy Baird at 897-9081.

### ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB MEETING

The boosters will have their regular business meeting on Monday, May 6 at 7 p.m. in the staff lounge at Lowell High School.

### LOWELL FIRE DEPT. BLOOD DRIVE

The Lowell Area Fire Department is sponsoring a blood drive for the Grand Valley Blood Program on Wednesday, May 15 from 2-7 p.m. at Look Memorial Fire Station at 315 S. Hudson.

### 4-H NIGHT AT THE WHITECAPS

Plan now to spend Friday, July 12 at 5/3 Park, enjoying a Whitecaps game and celebrating 100 years of 4-H. The event will begin at 6 p.m. with Crash & clowns, 4-Her's parade and free Whitecap's hat. Tickets are \$6.50. Call Diane Brown at 897-7611 for more information.

## Top 10, cont'd... From Page 1

Weber, the daughter of Mark and Ginny Weber, will study math and science and attend Lyman Briggs at Michigan State University.

Johnson will attend Grand Valley State University where he will study chemistry and business. The senior is the son of Michael and Leslie Johnson.

Places six through 10 are filled by Zachary Stauffer, Jennifer Wagner, Michael Kinney, Daniel Thaler and Shanda Yonker.

Stauffer will graduate with a grade point average of 4.037. He is the son of Dave Stauffer and Deborah Stauffer-Wright. The senior will attend Indiana Institute of Technology in the fall, with plans to study electrical engineering.

Wagner completes her four years at LHS with a 4.012 grade point average. She will attend Albion College in the fall. She has not yet determined her field of study. She is the daughter of Sid and Susan Wagner.

Kinney, the son of Tom and Sue Kinney, will graduate with a 3.979 grade point average. He plans to attend either Grand Valley State University or Michigan State University. He will study international relations.

Thaler, the son of David Thaler and Carolyn Thaler, will attend Grand Rapids Community College and then transfer to a four-year university. He will study political science and

journalism. He completes four years of high school with a 3.975 grade point average.

Yonker is the daughter of Tom and Kim Yonker. She, too, will attend Grand Rapids Community College. The senior will study to become a dental hygienist. Yonker leaves LHS with a 3.975 grade point average.

"I am amazed every year how students can maintain such high academic standards and be involved in so many activities," Vashaw explained.

The LHS principal added that he will propose to Lowell superintendent Bert Bleke and the school board that the district redefine its top academic honors.

"Currently we use a system where there is a finite number who can achieve the Top 10," Vashaw explained. "However, there are many more who deserve recognition. Last year we had students who finished with a grade point average of 4.0 or higher but did not make the Top 10. To not recognize them seems a little cold."

Vashaw said he will propose that the district move to a system which is divided into three levels - summa cum laude, magna cum laude and cum laude. "This is the more traditional level of academic recognition," he concluded. "I'll propose that it be phased in over a two-three year period."

## Concert Series, cont'd... From Page 1

merce, noted that the committee had to choose from over 60 applicants.

"We have many notable musical acts," Smalligan said. In fact, two of the summer concert series acts are recent recipients of WYCE's "Jammie Award. They are The Raisen Pickers (bluegrass) and Mane St. (country).

The well-known Celtic group, Fonnmoir, will open the series on June 13. "It's a well-known group with a large following," Smalligan said.

The rest of the schedule is as follows:  
June 20 - Horns of Power, gospel.  
June 27 - Harry Lucas and the Lowdowns, blues.

July 4 - Alive & Well and the Great Lakes Band, rock (at the Fairgrounds).

July 11 - The Raisen Pickers, bluegrass.

July 18 - Odd Men Out and the Dave Cole Trio (jazz).

July 25 - The Willeys, folkwave.

Aug. 1 - Beltline Big Band

Aug. 8 - TBA

Aug. 15 - Mane St., country.

"We're pleased with the entertainment we've been able to contract. A number of them have won awards and I think the audiences are really going to enjoy them," Gould concluded.

## Rockin' for the LAAC a friendly fundraiser

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

The Rockin' for LAAC event at Larkin's "The Other Place" raised money and a whole lot more for arts in the Lowell area.

"The event raised several thousand dollars, but was not intended to be a huge fundraiser," said Lowell Area Arts Council's executive director, Loraine Smalligan. "As important was the community awareness and visibility it provides for the arts council."

Smalligan referred to the event more as a friend-raiser for the arts as opposed to a fund-raiser.

"In addition, it supported local bands whose members

were comprised of people from Lowell," Smalligan said. "It was just a thrill to see all the people come together for the occasion."

The two-night event drew nearly 350 people. Smalligan estimated that there were 120 people in attendance on Friday and 225 on Saturday night.

Alive and Well and the Great Lakes bands performed both evenings.

Rick Seese, who helped coordinate the event and a member of the Great Lakes Band, called the two evenings "a ton of fun."

"We were able to raise a little money and to provide some awareness for arts in Lowell," Seese said. "It helped

move forward the musical interests of the arts council."

Seese said the two groups will continue to use music to raise funds and awareness for the Lowell community's interests.

"I don't know what the next event will be, but we will continue to look for areas in which we can help," Seese said.

Smalligan added that the Rockin' for the LAAC fundraiser also highlighted the old Strand Theatre.

"I just love doing things at the Strand Theatre. I think it is wonderful to be utilizing it and filling it with such energy," Smalligan said.



Roger MacNaughton



Chris Collins



Brian Adams and Cindy Kropf



Mitch McMahon

## Plant swap gets okay for sixth year

By J.N. Boorsma  
Contributing Writer

Having experienced no problems with the annual plant sale in the past, the Lowell City Council once again gave it the "thumbs up" to proceed this year at the corner of Jackson and Front streets.

This is the second year the swap has taken place at this location, according to Lowell resident, Dorla West. The swap, which will be on May 11 from 9 a.m. to noon, is in its sixth year.

"Based on last year, seeing as how we didn't receive any complaints about this, I make the motion to grant per-

mission for the swap to take place at Jackson and Front streets," said councilmember, Mike Blough.

Since the city owns the

property at the corner of Front and Jackson, West needed permission from the city to continue the swap there.

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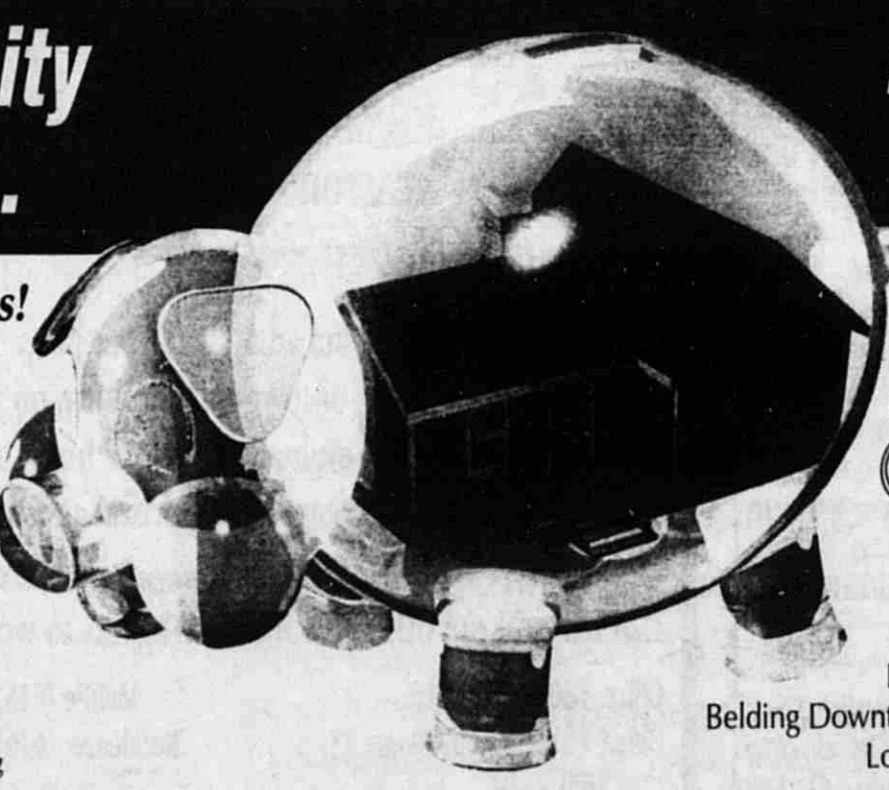


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# Beads unite the spirit of its collectors

By Craig Moulten

With the Winter Olympics behind us, it may be difficult to conjure up the images of the Olympic torch being passed from person to person across the country until it reached Salt Lake City.

The event pulls a country together and, for a moment, its people are one. Karyn Moulton experienced a similar experience. This time, it was beads that were passed—not a torch on the way from Patterson, New Jersey.

Evelyn and Bill Huizing

were in the process of putting on a garage sale. One of the items was Evelyn's extensive bead collection.

"My mother used to give me a shoe string and some wooden beads. I'd make a necklace and wear it," Evelyn Huizing explains.

Moulton also used to rummage through her mother's jewelry box and play with the beads.

The two met for the first time after Moulton and her bead collection were featured in a newspaper article last year.

After reading the article, Evelyn contacted Franci Lynn of Lapis Moon (mentioned in the article).

From that contact, Lynn and Moulton visited Huizing, and shared the stories behind their beads.

Nearly a year later, Evelyn Huizing and her husband, Bill were preparing to move from their condo to an apartment when they came across a box filled with her beads and the article on Karyn.

Evelyn's children had an appreciation for their

mother's beads but not her passion. So instead of taking her collection to their new apartment and hanging on to them, a call to her fellow beader (Karyn) led to her decision to downsize the rest of her bead collection to her kindred spirit.

While beads brought

Moulton and Huizing together, it seems their paths were never too far apart.

Evelyn came to Grand Rapids 20 years ago to be with her children and grandchildren; Karyn, 40 years ago as a child.

Through their conversations, Evelyn learned that she

went to school with Karyn's aunts and uncles and knew Moulton's mother and father through a church in New Jersey.

On Sunday, at Lapis Moon Gallery, 1200 E. Paris SE from 1-5 p.m., Huizing and several other artists will honor Evelyn's living spirit.

Each artist will create their unique style of jewelry, made from Evelyn's collection, and present it to her.

As the Olympic torch symbolized the spirit of athletic competition, Huizing's bead collection symbolizes the simple appreciation of something beautiful.

## Metric Manufacturing addition to add 20 new jobs

By J.N. Boorsma  
Contributing Writer

With lay-offs taking place in other communities around the city of Lowell, it would be difficult to expect any company to come in seeking an abatement for an addition, much less one from the auto industry.

However, that is exactly what happened to the Lowell City Council at its Monday night meeting. Metric Manufacturing, which over the past 15 years has increased from six employees to 107, came before the council seeking a tax abatement on more than

\$1.5 million worth of machinery and equipment along with a 1,168-square-foot addition to its facility. The abatement would amount to about \$36,350 of lost revenue for the city over a 12-year period. "This is for a General Motors project," said Gary Gilbert, president of the company. "We will be making a new brake-controlling valve for them."

The fact that the project would create 20 new jobs in about two months, especially in light of the economy, was enough for councilmember, Mike Blough to make a mo-

tion to approve the abatement request.

"There is always the question of why give an abatement to a company that is already here," said councilmember, Dan Brubaker. "The factor is that abatements were created to help companies stay in a community and grow, and we need to follow through on that."

Mayor Jeanne Shores

echoed the council's strong support of the abatement request and said, "You have certainly been a good neighbor in our town and we certainly want you to remain."

The city of Lowell only makes a recommendation to the state Tax Commission for the abatement. The Tax Commission has the final decision on whether such an abatement will be granted.

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Gary Gilbert,  
Metric Mfg. President

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RICHARD ERNEST  
GRAY  
Defendant  
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Richard Ernest Gray

IT IS ORDERED:  
You are being sued by plaintiff in this court to obtain a divorce. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before June 1, 2002. If you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

A copy of this order shall be published once each week in The Lowell Ledger for three (3) consecutive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court.

A copy of this order shall be sent to Defendant, Richard Ernest Gray at the last known address by registered mail, return receipt requested, before the date of the last publication, and the affidavit of mailing shall be filed with this court.

March 28, 2002

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Patricia D. Gardner

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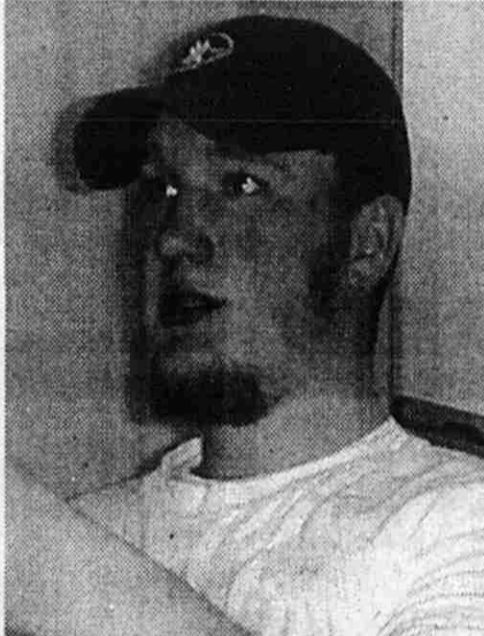
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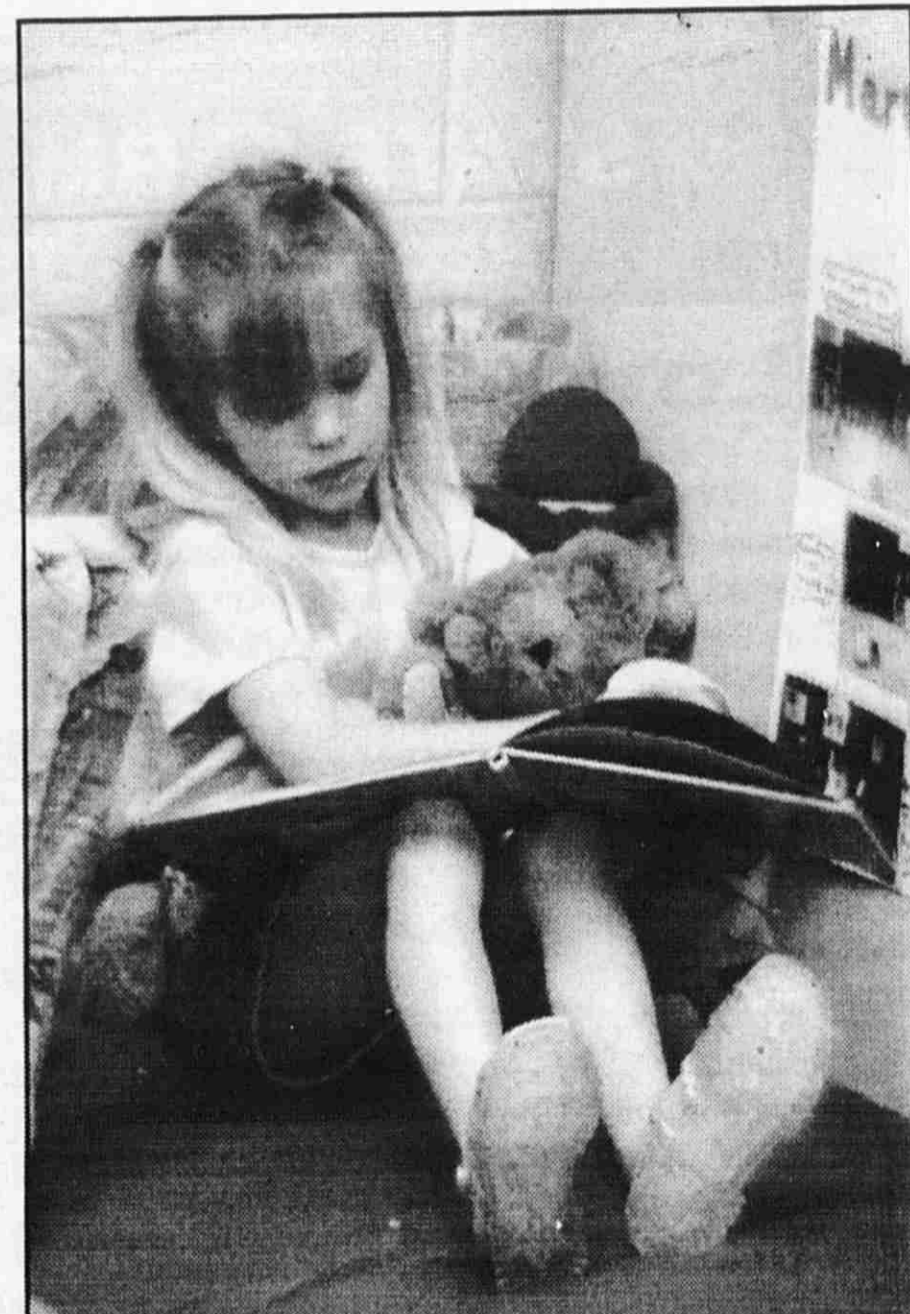
Trumpet Bear, the stuffed mascot of Scholastic Inc.'s Trumpet Book Club, came to visit Mary Bratt's first-grade students at Bushnell Elementary for a week (April 12-19).

The bear travels the country to various classrooms. Arriving at each classroom with a journal, teachers and children can write entries and place photos for future classrooms to see.

Prior to spending a week in Lowell, the bear visited Union Sanborn Elementary in Tilton, New Hampshire. On Friday the bear left Lowell for St. Ann Elementary in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Bratt's class was selected from over 5,000 classroom entries across the country.

Trumpet Bear is designed to aid teachers in their



Molly Denison, six, reads with Trumpet Bear, during a class reading break.

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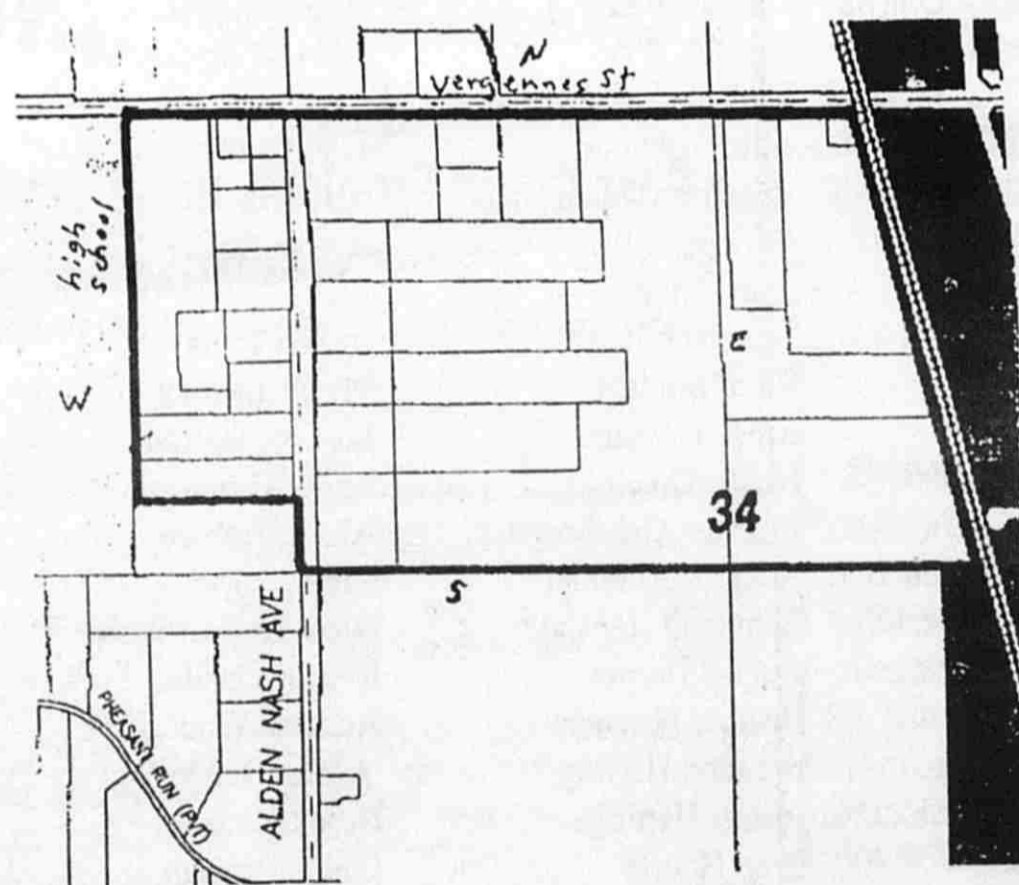
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Public notice is hereby given that the Vergennes Township Board will be conducting a special meeting to hold **two public hearings on Monday May 6, 2002 at 6:00 PM at the Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Dr, Lowell Michigan 49331**, and will accept public comment on the following:

1.) A property owner has requested the Township Board hold a public hearing on the following rezoning recommendation before the Board makes a decision. The Planning Commission has recommended adoption of a zoning map amendment to the zoning ordinance to rezone properties listed below from Rural-Agriculture (R-A) to Low Density Residential (R-1). The properties are within an area bordered by Vergennes St to the north, beginning at the east side of the Lowell High School property and going east to the railroad tracks, and south to the half section line. These properties are in the northeast quarter of section 33 and the northwest and part of the northeast quarter of section 34.

The properties that are proposed to be rezoned are listed below by tax permanent parcel number: 41-16-33-200-011, 41-16-33-200-032, 41-16-33-200-010, 41-16-33-200-003, 41-16-33-200-033, 41-16-33-200-034, 41-16-33-200-025, 41-16-33-200-019, 41-16-33-200-026, 41-16-33-200-020, 41-16-33-200-016, 41-16-33-200-017, 41-16-33-200-035, 41-16-33-200-036, 41-16-34-451-001, 41-16-34-201-005, 41-16-34-100-017, 41-16-34-100-030, 41-16-34-100-019, 41-16-34-100-020, 41-16-34-100-031, 41-16-34-100-014, 41-16-34-100-022, 41-16-34-100-024, 41-16-34-100-026, 41-16-34-100-028, 41-16-34-201-006, 41-16-34-201-007, 41-16-34-201-005, 41-16-34-201-002, 41-16-34-201-003.

The area depicted in the map below encircled with a dark line indicates the properties proposed to be rezoned from R-A to R-1:



2.) An application for a special exception use permit has been submitted for the zoning ordinance section 201.415 C Accessory Dwelling by Bob and Jaimie Morgan of 12564 Bailey Dr, Lowell for the purpose of constructing a detached accessory dwelling residence on their lot for a disabled family member.

The proposed zoning map amendment and special exception use permit application is on file at the Vergennes Township Hall and may be inspected during regular office hours between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays. Public comment will be accepted at the public hearing and written comments received by mail, in person or in the mail slot located at the office entrance will also be considered if received prior to 3:00 PM on May 6, 2002. Comments may also be emailed to clerk@vergennestwp.org.

Mari Stone - Clerk

# 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.

**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 (men only) 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, meets 7-8:30 p.m. during school year in Scout Cabin on N. Washington St. Enjoy hiking/camping. Call Terry Cavanaugh, 868-6481.

**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 OTHER SUN:** Single adults, ages 25-50 years, meet 4-5:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church of Lowell. Social time/lt. Bible study. Call Mark 897-8642 or Tammy 897-0872.

**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 or crochet or learn the craft. Call Lana at 691-8450 for info.

**SECOND MON. OF EACH MONTH:** Fallsburg Historical Society holds monthly board meeting at Chamber office 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.

**SECOND MON. OF EACH MONTH:** Lowell Showboat Garden Club meets at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Nazarene Church. Info. call Dave : 897-2533.

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

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

**EVERY SECOND TUES.:** Support group for Peripheral neuropathy meets at 4 p.m. at St. Paul's Anglican Church, 2560 Lake Michigan Dr. Grand Rapids. 897-9794.

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

**THURS.:** Weight Watchers at Lowell Nazarene Church, 201 N. Washington, 5:30 & 7 p.m. Registration begins 1/2 hour before meetings. New

members invited 1-800-651-6000.

**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 meetings at Lowell Middle School choir room. 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 2ND THURS.:** VFW #8303 Ladies Auxiliary meets at 3 p.m. at VFW Clubroom, 307 E. Main. No Bingo.

**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 6:30 p.m. for socializing; meeting 7 p.m. Mother to mother support for pregnant & breastfeeding women. Nursing children welcome. Ada church. Call 752-8300.

**EVERY FRI.:** Play an instrument? Jam session w/ Nick & Patti at The New Riverview, M-21 E. of Lowell, 7:30 p.m. - ? Call 897-0099 Nick or 897-9948 Lyle.

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

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

**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. 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 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. New tel. number is now 647-3920.

**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.

**APRIL 22-26:** Scholastic Book Fair at Bushnell Elem. 9-3:30 p.m. Open to the community. Also open 6-7:30 during Spring Fling evening.

**WED., APRIL 24:** Lowell Historical Museum program about Oakwood Cemetery w/Don DeJong at 7:30 at Lowell Twp. Hall. Public invited; refreshments served.

**SAT., APRIL 27:** Swiss Steak dinner, 5-7 p.m. at Bowne Center United Methodist Church. Adults: \$7; 6-12, \$3.50; under 5 free.

**SAT., APRIL 27:** Spaghetti dinner for Leah Nawrocki Leukemia Fund, St. Patrick Parish Center, 4-7:30 p.m. Adults \$8; K-8th graders \$4; preschoolers free. 50/50 raffle; silent auction. Call 897-7611 for ticket info.

**MON., MAY 6:** Athletic Boosters meeting in Lowell High School staff lounge at 7 p.m.

**WED., MAY 15:** Lowell Area Fire Dept. blood drive for Grand Valley Blood program from 2-7 p.m. at Look Memorial Fire Station on S. Hudson St.

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**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**  
**LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR**  
 897-5949

<b>MON.:</b> 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall.	<b>THURS.:</b> 9 a.m. Walk/Shop at the Malls; 9:30 a.m. Crafts; 1 p.m. Euchre.
<b>TUES.:</b> 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall; 1 p.m. Bible Study.	<b>FRI.:</b> 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall.
<b>WED.:</b> Various activities.	

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

<b>WED., APRIL 24:</b> 8 a.m. Women's Breakfast; 12:40 - Shop Family Fare.	<b>MON., APRIL 29:</b> 12:40 p.m. Travelogue; Shopping at G. R. Meijer.
<b>THURS., APRIL 25:</b> Noon G.R. Art Museum, works of Picasso.	<b>TUES., APRIL 30:</b> 12:40 p.m. Shop at Sam's Club and Wal Mart.
<b>FRI., APRIL 26:</b> 12:40 p.m. Woodcarver Doug Shassburger at center.	

**The Lowell YMCA Presents**

**SENIOR MOMENTS**

**Mondays & Wednesdays**  
**9:00 - 11:00 a.m.**  
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Contact Will Welsh at 897-8445  
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**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER Celebration**

**May 2, 2002 • 12:00 TO 12:30 P.M.**

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Lindsay Bencker  
Rachel Bender  
Katherine Blough  
Shannon Boggs  
Nathan Boyce  
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Danica Brooks  
Lesley Kerr\*  
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Joel King  
Kari King  
Brandon Kinney  
Ita Kolic  
Shaun Koning  
Kristi Kremer  
Corey Krieg  
Leah Krueger  
Jacob Kulhawik  
Christine LaFave  
Tom Lancaster  
Robert Latva  
Jodi Laux

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Corey Foote  
Michael Forward  
David Geldersma  
Elizabeth Gerard\*  
Alicia Gleason  
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Amy Green  
Holly Grummet  
Theresa Hattie  
Bridget Harrigan  
William Harrison\*  
Ceth Hay\*  
Clifford Heiman  
Michael Herweyer  
Corinne Hess  
Susan Hoag  
Samantha Hoekstra  
Hollie Holmes  
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Patrick Kaufman  
Laura Kenworthy  
Michael Kinney\*  
Molly Kirsch  
Montgomery Knapp  
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Roman Kuba  
Tara Kuipers\*  
Adam Kuzmin  
Christine Lacie\*  
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Jacob Paszkowski  
Courtney Perkins\*  
Brian Pfaller  
Heather Pretzel  
Duane Rasch Jr.  
Rachelle Rekeny  
Kelly Riddle  
Shawn Rosema  
Emily Roth  
Matthew Roth  
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Marc Scaturro  
Kelsey Scheider\*  
Melissa Schloop\*  
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Michael Scott  
Kyle Sitzer  
Bryn Southwell  
Debra Sova  
Justin Stanford  
Zachary Stauffer\*  
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Amanda Stiver  
Tiffany Stokes  
Eric Stormzand  
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Eric Swartz  
Mandace Tawney\*  
Daniel Thaler  
Darryl Thompson  
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#### TESTING AND THE GIFTED CHILD PART II

This is the second part of a three-part series on *Testing and the Gifted Child*. The first part dealt with the difference between individual and group testing as well as the differ-

ences between achievement and intelligence testing. This second part will ask the questions: How would testing help my gifted child and what tests would give the parent the most usable information?

First, although there are case by case differences, I have found five ways that test-

ing can be helpful for children and particularly the gifted child: 1) Intelligence testing will help confirm and explain a child's giftedness. For instance, if we have labeled a child disruptive, after an I.Q. test we are able to explain his behavior in terms of being severely frustrated in learning. The best time to test is when parents and teachers are observing frustration in learning. 2) It is well documented that I.Q. testing is predictive of scholastic achievement. 3) Frequently, psychological evaluations provide an understanding of the child's abilities and help the child maximize his learning potential. 4) Intelligence testing has revealed unsuspected talents in

many individuals and has improved educational opportunities. 5) Individual intelligence testing profiles the strengths and weaknesses in how the student processes academic materials. This information enhances curriculum choices.

Onto the next question of usable information. There is a battery of testing that is used in many different settings and gives parents valuable information about their child. This battery includes the I.Q. test, which is the Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children (WISC-III). The full scale I.Q. score is only an average score and therefore has limited usefulness. The most useful information are the scaled scores from each of the subtests. The two categories on the test are the language area which measures how one uses words and whether one can reason with language and

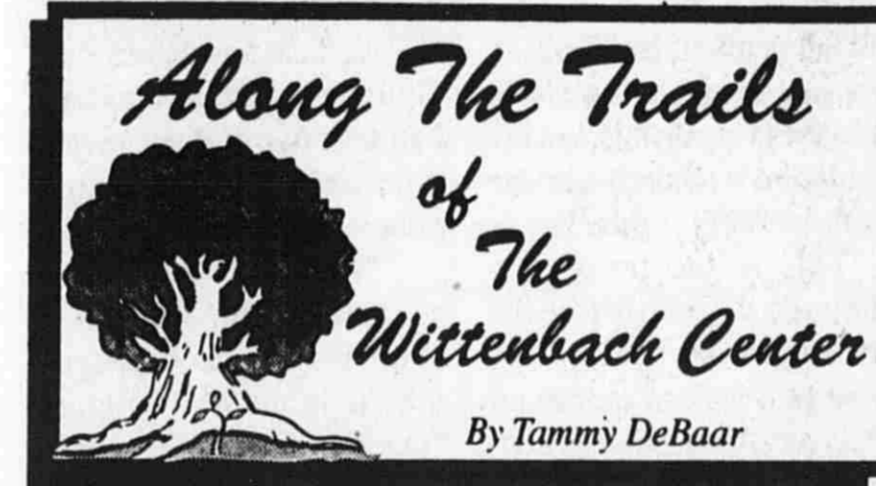
the performance area which measures perceptual organization and one's ability to perform tasks.

The Wechsler gives the parents, teachers, curriculum planners very usable information of the individual's strength and weaknesses. It also lets us know how they generate strategies and whether they have more verbal or nonverbal abilities. Along with this ability measure, an achievement test gives usable information. There is an achievement test that has been designed by the same company. They have been standardized by the same procedures, therefore the results can be compared and an achievement/ability discrepancy analysis can be done with the standard scores. We gain a lot of information from comparing the results of the two

tests. If the I.Q. scores are significantly higher than the achievement scores, then we can assume that something is "running interference" with the individual learning potential. If the achievement score is higher than the I.Q. score, overachievement is a probability. Most likely, there is anxiety that accompanies that kind of learning approach.

In summary, the most usable information is gained from an I.Q. test and reliable measure of achievement. Kaufmann, Wechsler, Wide Range Achievement Tests are some that can be used.

The third part of this series and the testing of the gifted child will discuss how frequently one should be tested and also a discussion of tests that can be used to assess one's anxiety and depression. That will be discussed in the May edition.



With the celebration of Earth Day on April 22 and this week recognized as Earth Week and National Wildlife Week, our thoughts may turn to Alternative Sources of Energy.

For those of you who have traveled the Wittenbach trails, you may have seen the solar panels on the barn, thanks to a generous donation from Peter Wege. They are on the south facing slope of the barn roof because this is the area receiving the most sunlight during the day.

During the months in which days are "longest," June 21 in particular, these solar panels provide about 4,000 watts per hour. In the winter, an average home uses

approximately 1,200,000 watts per month.

We also have our own windmill, aerating the pond. Wind is caused by the sun. Uneven heating of the atmosphere, the irregularities of the earth's surface cause air molecules to move and air currents to form. Wind provides aeration to fish and other living creatures in the student-built pond.

Did you know:  
• North Dakota is so windy that if transport of energy were not a problem, the state could provide for 36 percent of all the electricity of all lower 48 states.

• Earliest forms of wind power have been shown to

have propelled boats along the Nile River as long ago as 5000 BC.

If you are interested in taking in the sights of the Wittenbach Center and its trails, plan to come out on Saturday, May 4 from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. for Family Day. Read the nature poetry books and ID guides, sip a hot drink and then hike the trail. A Brownie outdoor adventurer Scout badge will be offered as well from 1-3 p.m. with a cost of \$2. Jason Tomczak will provide an "Edible Wild Plants Walk" from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Free.

We also need herbs and other perennials for our new labyrinth garden. If you are splitting plants in your garden, please drop some off at the center during school hours or on Saturday, May 4 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

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It's incredibly easy to get caught up in an activity trap, in the business of life, to work harder and harder at climbing the ladder of success only to discover it's leaning against the wrong wall.  
—Steven R. Covey  
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## 2002 NOTICE OF AERIAL SPRAYING FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF GYPSY MOTH LARVAE IN SELECTED AREAS OF LOWELL TOWNSHIP

Certain selected areas in Lowell Township are scheduled to receive aerial application of the insecticide Bacillus thuringiensis (B.t.) for the suppression of Gypsy Moth larvae. Maps of these areas are available for viewing at the township office. The applicator for the program is Mid-Michigan Helicopter Service, 7480 Backus Road, Greenville, Michigan, 616-754-5184. The B.t. brand will be Foray 48B and Foray 76B supplied by Valent Bio-Sciences Corporation. The spraying will be done by aircraft when weather conditions are suitable. The exact dates and times cannot be predetermined, as application is weather dependent. Startup is tentatively planned for approximately May 15, 2002. The insecticide B.t. is derived from a naturally occurring bacteria and is known only to affect caterpillars by destroying their stomachs after they eat the material. It does not affect honeybees or other non-leaf-eating insects, birds, fish or mammals. The B.t. formulation has no reentry restrictions. The B.t. is applied at a quart per acre in a very fine mist that targets the tree foliage. Drying usually takes place within a few minutes.

Lowell Charter Township  
John R. Timpson, Supervisor  
616-897-7600

## LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 54-04-02 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE LOWELL TOWNSHIP SEWER USE ORDINANCE FOR THE BOWNE TOWNSHIP SEWER SYSTEM LOCATED IN LOWELL TOWNSHIP (ORDINANCE NO. 53-08-00, ADOPTED AUGUST 21, 2000).

### THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWELL ORDAINS:

#### SECTION 1 - Amendment of Sec. 6.4, Sewer Use Ordinance.

Section 6.4 of the Lowell Township Sewer Use Ordinance for the Bowne Township Sewer System located in Lowell Township, Ordinance No. 53-08-00 (adopted August 21, 2000), is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

#### Section 6.4 CHARGES FOR SEWAGE DISPOSAL SERVICES.

Charges for sewage disposal services are intended to generate revenue to pay the operation, maintenance and replacement costs for the POTW and to pay for the debt service requirements on any bonds or other obligations issued by the Township to pay for the System and all additions, extensions, or improvements thereto. Charges for sewage disposal services shall be based on each user's estimated flow per gallon. For non-domestic users, flows shall be estimated based on the user's most recent water meter reading. For all other users, flows shall be estimated based on the user's most recent water meter reading for winter season water use. If no Township water is available to a user, flows shall be estimated based on 9,000 gallons per month per REU. In lieu of estimated flows, a user may install a water meter at the user's expense to measure the actual water consumption or the user may install a sewage flow meter to record actual delivery of sewage to the POTW.

#### Section 2. Severability.

The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

#### Section 3. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after the publication hereof in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township.

STATE OF MICHIGAN )

) ss:

COUNTY OF KENT )

I, the undersigned, Township Clerk of the Township of Lowell, Kent County, Michigan, do hereby certify that Ordinance No. 54-04-02 adopted by the Township Board of said Township on April 15, 2002, was recorded in full in the minutes of the meeting of said Board on said date and was signed by the Supervisor and Township Clerk.

Linda S. Regan  
Township Clerk

Dated: April 15, 2002

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## BOWNE TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 2002-02

An ordinance to amend Section 12.02 of the Bowne Township Zoning Ordinance, Ordinance No. 2000-3, as amended (originally adopted November 20, 2000) to add professional offices as a principal use permitted by right in the C-2 Commercial District.

At a regular meeting of the Bowne Township Board, Kent County, Michigan, held in the Township Hall on the 15th day of April, 2002, at 7:30 p.m., local time.

**PRESENT:** Peter F. Siler, Sandra L. Kowalczyk, Karen Hendrick and David Fuss

**ABSENT:** Sally Johnson

The following ordinance was offered by Kowalczyk and seconded by Hendrick.

### THE TOWNSHIP OF BOWNE ORDAINS:

#### SECTION 1 - AMENDMENT TO SECTION 12.02

Section 12.02 of the Bowne Township Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance No. 2000-3, as amended) is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

#### 12.02 USES ALLOWED BY RIGHT

The following uses are allowed by right:

- A. Adult uses (subject to the provisions of Article 3 of this Ordinance).
- B. Automobile, motorcycle and boat sales and service.
- C. Auto convenience market.
- D. Automatic teller machines.
- E. Automotive service stations.
- F. Coffee kiosk.
- G. Eating and drinking places, including fast-food or drive-in restaurants and cafes.
- H. Essential services.
- I. Motel, hotel, tourist cabins, and motor hotel.
- J. Outdoor sales and service.
- K. Printing, construction, wholesale and storage enterprises.
- L. Unenclosed storage of agricultural products.
- M. Vehicle sales, servicing and rentals.
- N. Professional offices of doctors, lawyers, architects, dentists, engineers, chiropractors, real estate, insurance, financial services and other similar professions.

#### SECTION 2 - SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be found to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

#### SECTION 3 - FULL FORCE AND EFFECT

As amended by this Ordinance, the Bowne Township Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance No. 2000-3, as amended) shall remain in full force and effect.

#### SECTION 4 - EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective seven (7) days after publication hereof.

The Township of Bowne Township, Kent County, Michigan, hereby approves this Ordinance.

#### ADOPTED:

Ayes: Siler, Kowalczyk, Hendrick, Fuss

Nays: None

STATE OF MICHIGAN )  
 )ss  
COUNTY OF KENT )

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of an ordinance adopted by the township board of Bowne Township, Kent County, Michigan, at a regular meeting held on April 15, 2002, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to an in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, P.A. of Michigan 1967, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by law.

This ordinance can be inspected or purchased at the Bowne Township Office on Wednesdays and Fridays, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Sandra Kowalczyk, Clerk

AUTHENTICATED: Peter F. Siler, Supervisor

Date Adopted: April 15, 2002

Date Published: April 23, 2002

## Gilmore's wait continues for city's final vote on outdoor cafe

By J.N. Boorsma  
Contributing Writer

While he has the support, Gregory Gilmore still hasn't received the official vote to establish his proposed outdoor cafe.

Gilmore is planning to open a restaurant at 201 E. Main Street. He has already made a deal with the city to purchase a 12- by 90-foot parcel to the immediate west of Gilmore's property for \$1,000, with a deed restriction that a similar business be maintained upon sale.

However, to complete his outdoor patio concept, Gilmore would like to lease another 12- by 42-foot area, which he feels he needs in order to make the whole project work.

Last week, the Lowell City Council at its regular Monday night meeting, reviewed Gilmore's request for the easement along the Riverwalk. And while the two remaining councilmembers liked the concept, there were once again not enough people

present to approve the easement. Councilmembers, Jim Pfaller and Dan Brubaker had to excuse themselves due to conflict of interest; councilmember, Charles Myers was absent. This left only mayor, Jeanne Shores and councilmember, Mike Blough to vote, which did not meet the three required votes for a quorum.

"Having a venue adjacent to this location, where you can sit outside and enjoy a meal, is a path that we have started out on," councilmember, Blough said. "I'm just sorry we don't have enough to vote on this, but my standpoint is that this is the intent we had for this."

This is the third time Gilmore has come before the city only to be held up because of a lack of a quorum for a vote. After a discussion, the remaining councilmembers and city manager, David Pasquale said this should be voted on by the May 6 meeting and, if necessary, a special meeting of the

three councilmembers would be held to get this done, Pasquale explained.

The vote on the additional space along the Riverwalk isn't the only item for which Gilmore is waiting. The Historical Commission needs to approve his plans, along with the fencing for the outdoor cafe, before he can move forward with the project. Pasquale said at the last meeting, Gilmore's proposal was not presented before the Historical Commission and he would see where it is at.

As far as an opening date, Gilmore explained they have had to move it back several times and are now looking at either July or August.

"We have found some issues with the building," Gilmore said, acknowledging that it is an old building. "Once we got the engineers in there to really take a look, we have discovered it's going to be more expensive than expected, but we are still very committed to this project."

## LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 02-173-341-DE

Estate of  
MARGARET A. PURINS,  
Deceased  
Date of birth: 01/19/49

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, MARGARET A. PURINS, who lived at 6660 Echo Dr. N.E. Rockford, Michigan, died 4/11/02. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to SUSAN E. BAXTER, named personal representative or proposed personal representative or to both the probate court at 180 Ottawa Ave N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49503 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

4/19/02  
SUSAN M. POTYRAJ  
(P-46249)  
410 Bridge St. N.W.  
Grand Rapids, MI 49504  
(616) 454-4119

SUSAN E. BAXTER  
318 Carpenter N.W.  
Grand Rapids, MI 49504

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 02-173-345-DE

Estate of  
WILLIAM CLAYTON  
LITTLE  
Date of birth: 10/10/  
1917

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, WILLIAM CLAYTON LITTLE, who lived at 4110 Cherry Lane S.E. Ada, MI 49301, died March 15, 2002. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to WILLIAM CLAYTON LITTLE, Jr., named personal representative or proposed personal representative or to both the probate court at 36456 Grove, Livonia, MI 48154 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

4/19/02  
MARY L. BENEDICT  
(P-45285)  
4519 Cascade Road S.E.  
Ste. 14  
Grand Rapids, MI 49546

WILLIAM CLAYTON  
LITTLE, Jr.  
36456 Grove  
Livonia, MI 48154

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 02-173-114-DE

Estate of  
VINCENT C. KAYE  
SSN: 366-12-4243

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, VINCENT C. KAYE, who lived at 741 S. Beneva Road, Sarasota, Florida 34232 died November 15, 2001. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to EDWIN J. KAYE, ELIZABETH BINDLEY and ROBERT KRZYWOS, named personal representatives or proposed personal representatives or to both the probate court at 180 Ottawa Avenue, #2500, Grand Rapids and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

4/9/02  
JOHN D. MITUS  
(P-31244)  
410 Bridge St., N.W.  
Grand Rapids, MI 49504  
(616) 774-4001

ROBERT KRZYWOS,  
ELIZABETH BINDLEY  
and EDWIN J. KAYE  
c/o 410 Bridge St., N.W.  
Grand Rapids, MI 49504  
(616) 774-4001

## LHS Spring Sports Pictures...



Lowell High School freshman softball team, pictured left to right, are 1st row: Nicole Gibbs, Chelsie Smith, Katie Callihan; 2nd row: Mandy Phillips, Michelle Wolf, Jenna White, Andrea DeVoid; 3rd row: Danielle Ettinger, Laura Baum, Jean Kimberlin, Kim Vandenberg, Ashley French; 4th row: Coach Bill McElroy.



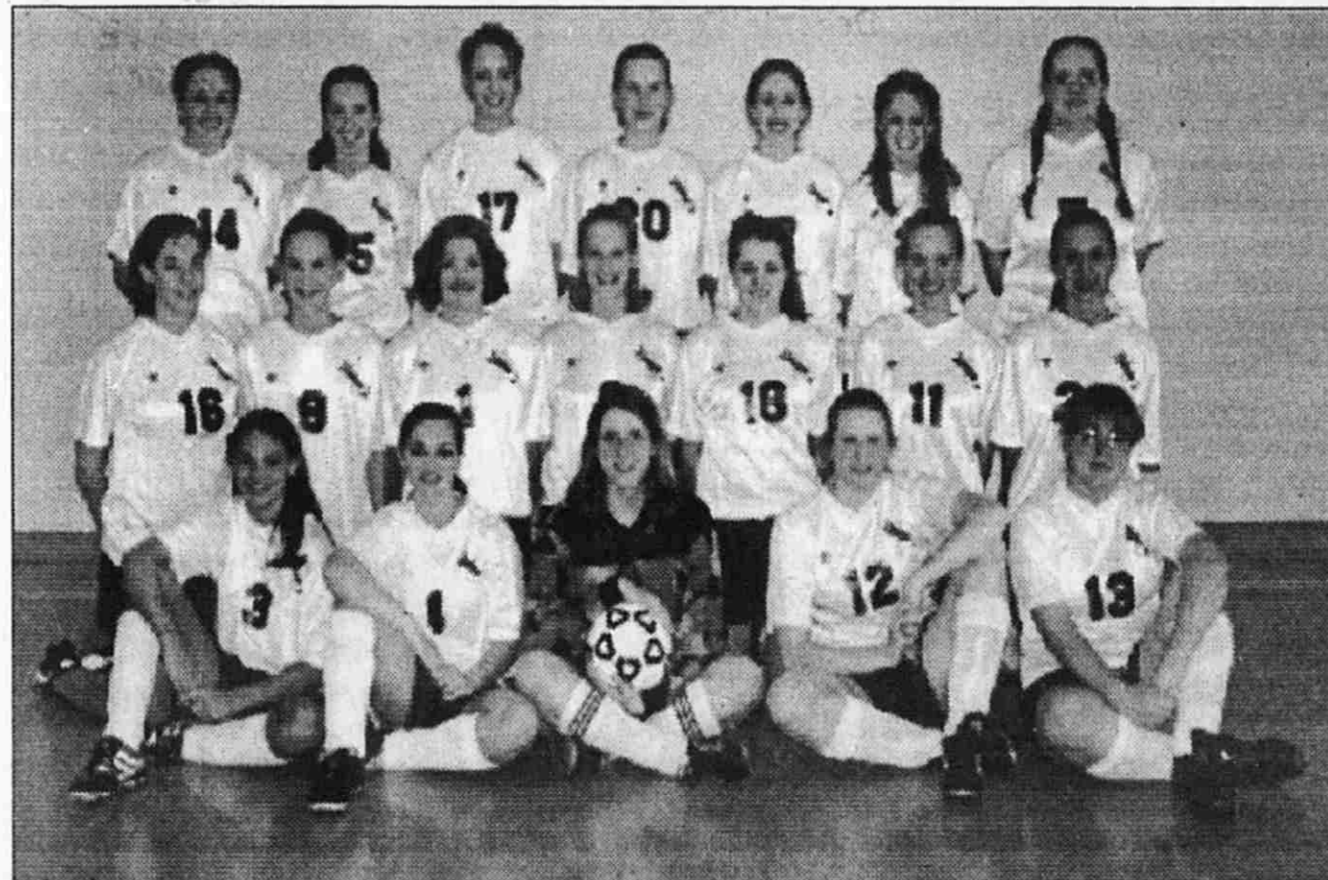
Lowell High School J.V. baseball team, pictured left to right, are 1st row: Tom O'Donnell, Dustin Osborne; 2nd row: Dan Harrison, Luke Tomczak, Mike Jansma, Eddie Boeve, Kyle Rozema; 3rd row: Coach Ryan Graham, Sean Meyers, Alan Nugent, Matt Scheider, Tom Eldridge, Dan Palasek, asst. coach Jared Curtis, asst. coach Jason Gendreau.



Lowell High School varsity baseball team, pictured left to right, are 1st row: Nate Junglas, Nate Sloan; 2nd row: Andrew Benedict, Ryan Nugent, Bryan White, Jake Kulhawik, Nate Clark, Larry Kuzmin; 3rd row: Coach Tim Antel, Matt Barry, Wade Gilchrist, Bill Harrison, Austin Hunt, Adam Kuzmin, Greg McQueen, Steve Palasek, asst. coach Pete Bush.



Lowell High School freshman baseball team, pictured left to right, are 1st row: Mike Pratt, Brent Sutterfield; 2nd row: Devon Huisman, Justin Craig, Henry Westerhuis, Mike Koster, Matt Meppelink, Nate Arnett; 3rd row: Coach Mark Summerfield, Eric Schumm, Tim Droese, Matt Dood, Shaun Scudder, Jason Welsh.



Lowell High School J.V. soccer team, pictured left to right, are 1st row: Morgan Abel, Keegan Geldersma, Courtenay Cooper, Patty Leasure, Maranda Morris; 2nd row: Kaitlin Lowande, Chantal Todocsiuk, Maliree Trierweiler, Ashlee Jones, Emily Gerard, Heather McQueen, Sandra Wisniewski; 3rd row: Ashley VanEck, Adrienne Ripley, Melody Dernocoeur, Jessica Visser, Lerin Bommarito, Sarah Smith, Tera DesJarden.



Lowell High School varsity soccer team, pictured left to right, are 1st row: Kelsey Capps, Abbie Debiak, Jenny Wagner, Kelly Fitzpatrick, Laura Horsley, Abbie Blanding, Tara Cariano; 2nd row: Jessica Quist, Helen Crimmins, Kayla Ritenburgh, Becky Bosserd, Stephanie Wagner, Amy Oberlin, Blair Meyer; 3rd row: Coach Ryan Conlan, Cori Drenth, Jenny Meyers, Katie Lum, Marissa Tawney, Lynda Horsley, Jill Egeler, Katie McAlpine, Amanda Rau.



Lowell High School J.V. golf team, pictured left to right, are 1st row: Sue Hoag, Sam Han, Andrea Black, Cassie Vredevoegd, Mandy Gunberg; 2nd row: Jeanie Dunn, Stevi Thompson, Cara Mooney, Taylor Verdon, Katie Klemish, Jessica Kincaid; 3rd row: Stacey Anderson, Erin Rolfe, Tracie Theel, Heather McCready, Katie Huver, coach Becky Lecuru.



## Spring Sports Pictures, cont'd...



Lowell High School girls track team, pictured left to right, are 1st row: Kristen Lee, Katie Clements, Abby Vos, Nicole Gillikin, Leslie Crowley, Megan Shellenbarger, Sarah Swab; 2nd row: Becky Batt, Amanda Grochowalski, Tiffani Burr, Liz Brower, Julie Webb, Kelly Foote, Sarah Vuong, Kendra Gallert, Lindsey Sherman, Holly Plattner; 3rd row: Natalie Kent, Kim Seaman, Krystal White, Lisa Wojciakowski, Bryn Southwell, April Telman, Rebekah Woods, Jenna Dickerman, Chelsea Karas, Heather Becker, Kari King; 4th row: Asst. coach Robin Briggs, asst. coach Abbey Mathews, mgr. Teresa Leasure, mgr. Nancy Elmer, Andrea Kropf, Holly Young, Shelly Wernet, Alyssa Coffey, Lori Meyers, Krashawn McElveen, Kristie Noall, Megan Silverman, Rachael Goeman, Megan Stubbs, Devon Collins, Nicole Swift, Amanda Roberts, Leah Stephens, Kim Huyser Mandy Kettle, coach Kathy Talus.



Lowell High School boys track team, pictured left to right, are 1st row: Ryan Esbaugh, Matt Smith, Matt D'Agostino, Travis DeVoid, Matt Tschaenn, Nick Onan, Jeff Telman, Jon Eickhoff, Sean Fitzpatrick; 2nd row: Jason Mathews, Marc Wernet, Kraig Brown, Andy Roberts, Mike Gruber, Mark Catlin, Matt Foster, Zach Horan, Paul Despres, Wes Tweedale, Tim Carrier; 3rd row: Corey Scudder, Jordan Moore, Steve Ellison, Ryan Reynolds, Ben Lemke, Nick Duley, Jack Whitman, Kurt Wernet, Jake Baker, Josh Abdo, Brad Calvi; 4th row: Asst. coach Clay VanderWarf, Mike Shinaberry, Dave Hefferan, Nate Parnofello, Matt Gillespy, Joe Mull, Ben Grummet, Zach Stauffer, Craig Carpenter, Jon Walker, coach Russ Stevens.



Lowell High School J.V. softball team, pictured left to right, are 1st row: Ashleigh Inman, Lindsey Trierweiler; 2nd row: Katie Willits, Rachel Nawrocki, Larinda Marker, Amber VanSpronsen, Amber Rempalski; 3rd row: Coach Tony Ellis, Holly Yonker, Anna Boruta, Andrea Dewey, Caitie Searfoss, Samantha Mendez.



Lowell High School varsity softball team, pictured left to right, are 1st row: Tara Kimble, Noelle Dewey, Heather Green; 2nd row: Courtney Phillips, Amanda VanSpronsen, Shelby Tomczak, Jacque Benedict; 3rd row: Lacey Capen, Katie Blough, Heather Geelhoed, Erin Barnes, Amanda Eickhoff; 4th row: Coach Bob Rodenhouse.

Lowell High School varsity tennis team, pictured left to right, are 1st row: Alden Nyson, Paco Calleja, Justin Peterson, Justin Quist, Brandon Lawrence, Derrick Delnick; 2nd row: Mgr. Brett Hobrila, Brendon Harden, Jake Kenworthy, David Maylone, Shaun Koning, Dustin Pedley, Adam Meis; 3rd row: Coach Bonnie Wall, asst. coach Roger Wall, Chris Cress, Paul Schellenberger, Ben Schloop, Jared Huffman, Chris Gallagher, Jared Felling, Chris Corlett, Nick DuBois, Brian McCaul, J.V. coach Mark Kenworthy.

## Lowell girls track team 2-0 with large win against Huskies

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell sprinted past Forest Hills Northern and Red Arrow Kim Huyser helped.

The junior had a leg in two winning relays and placed second in two individual sprint events.

"Kim really came through for us," said Lowell girls track coach, Kathy Talus, "as did all of our relay teams.

The performance of the relay teams and Lowell's success in the sprints enabled the Red Arrows to blast past the Huskies 82-55.

Huyser finished second in the 100-meter (13.40) and 200-meter dash (28.38) to Northern's Amanda Grace.

She also had a leg in Lowell winning the 400- and 800-meter relays. Huyser teamed up with Jenna Dickerman, Natalie Kent and Krystal White in the 800, coming home in a time of 1:52.41.

It was Huyser, White, Nicole Gillikin and Devon Collins winning the 400 relay with a time of 53.33.

The Red Arrows completed their sweep of the relays with wins in the 3200- and 1600-meter.

In the 3200, it was Lisa Wojciakowski, Holly Plattner, Sarah Swab and Kristin Lee stopping the clock in 10:43.9.

Kent, Wojciakowski, Dickerman and Plattner came home in 4:23 in the 1600.

Wojciakowski also won

the 800-meter run with a time of 2:29.5.

White swept the hurdle events with wins in the 300 (48.29) and 110 (16.94).

Kent stopped the clock in a winning time of 1:01.51 in the 400-meter run.

In the field events, Heather Becker earned wins in the shot put (31'8") and discus (96'10 1/2").

Gillikin cleared eight feet to win the pole vault.

### Hastings Relays

Lowell placed in all but one event Saturday en route to a two-point win at Hastings.

The Red Arrow girls Girls Track, cont'd. pg. 23

## Spring Sports Pictures, cont'd...



Lowell High School varsity golf team, pictured left to right, are 1st row: Tara Kuipers, Jenny Gunberg; 2nd row: Coach Rick White, Erin Mooney, Jackie Estes, Carisa Sayer, Carmen Datema.



Krystal White makes the baton exchange with teammate Jenna Dickerman.



The anticipation was better than the meet as Lowell ran away from Forest Hills Northern 82-55.

## LOWELL SCHOOL BOARD BRIEFS

Regular Meeting of the Lowell Board of Education  
April 15, 2002

**STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT** - Jason Craig, Student Council President and Representative to the Board, reported that the student council sponsored blood drive was a success with 127 people attempting to give a pint of blood. The junior class is working on the prom, which will be held on May 3, and the senior class will soon be naming a worthy organization or charity to which the class will donate money.

**REPORT - Gymnastics** - Coach Michele DeHaan introduced her student athlete, Holly Plattner who won a state championship in vaulting.

**REPORT - Wrestling team** - Coach Dave Strejc and student, Ben Vaught, shared their state championship experience.

**REPORT - Model United Nations** - Steve Kampfschulte, Jack Ogle, and Sue Sutherland introduced several students who reported on their experiences and awards at the recent Model United Nations competition.

**REPORT - Cherry Creek Math-A-Thon for St. Jude Children's Hospital** - Brent Noskey, a 5th grade teacher at Cherry Creek, spearheaded the St. Jude Children's Hospital fundraiser that raised over \$12,000. The student top fundraiser, Thomas Jeffrey, reported on this worthy activity.

### ACTION ITEMS -

Accepted the following gifts:

- The Page Family donation of books valued at \$110 to be used by the Bushnell Media Center
- Steven & Susan Frasier donation of sandpaper valued at \$2,701.23 to be used by the Lowell High School Technology Department
- Warren Olson donation of computer equipment valued at \$300 to be used by the Lowell Area Schools Technology Department.

Adopted a resolution naming May 7 as Michigan Teacher Day

Adopted the new district vision

### CONSENT ITEMS -

- Approved/Adopted were:
  - The minutes for the March 11, 2002 regular meeting, the March 11, 2002 closed session, and the March 25, 2002 workshop session.
  - The following payment of bills for February 2002:
 

GENERAL FUND	\$988,580.61
SCHOOL SERVICES FUND	
A. Food Service Fund	\$55,185.33
B. Athletic Fund	\$16,911.78
2000 CONSTRUCTION FUND	\$28,231.86
TRUST AND AGENCY FUND	\$23,147.58
  - Annual Election Resolution setting matters to be voted upon. The election will be held on Monday, June 10, 2002
  - The shared time program at St. Patrick School for the 2002-2003 school year

- The leaves for Sharon MacDermaid (3/1/02 through remainder of pregnancy) and Donna Robbins (child care leave 2002-2003)
- The waiver and consent form to strike property taxes in the amount of \$222.21 from Grattan Township tax rolls
- The Consumers Energy Easement agreement
- The O.K. Realignment proposal of the O.K. League and the O.K. Conference Membership Resolution.

**BUDGET** - Bert Bleke explained that at the May meeting the board will have a first look at the proposed 2002-2003 budget with adoption coming in June. At this point it does not look like there will be any personnel layoffs for the upcoming school year.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** - Bert Bleke made mention of the recent Destination Imagination team competition at the state finals and that team members will give a report at the May meeting. A Board Candidate Forum is being planned in the later part of May for the three candidates who will be running for the two seats. The board candidates are: Incumbent - Patrick Nugent, along with Peter Haefner and Jim VanBuren.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Regular Board Meeting  
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# Lowell netters third at Cadillac

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell boys tennis team finished third at the Cadillac Invitational on Saturday.

The Red Arrows' second singles and second doubles teams made it to the championship round in their flights before losing.

Shaun Koning defeated Clio and Greenville before losing to Cadillac's Jeff Schappa 6-2, 6-3.

"Shaun mixed up his shots well and did a good job of coming into the net," said Lowell tennis coach, Bonnie Wall. "He's been having some arm problems so Shaun wasn't able to hit or serve as hard as he would have liked."

Lowell's second doubles team of Paco Calleja and Dustin Pedley defeated Greenville and Clio before losing to Cadillac 6-2, 6-1.

"They played some real

nice tennis today," Wall said. "Paco was aggressive and moves to the ball well at the net. He's also an excellent competitor. Dustin displayed a real strong forehand."

Chris Cress, playing first singles, finished 1-2 against some tough competition. "Chris got a solid win against Greenville and showed that

he is beginning to develop the ability to play within himself," Wall explained.

Sophomore Chris Gallagher, third singles, finished the day at 1-2.

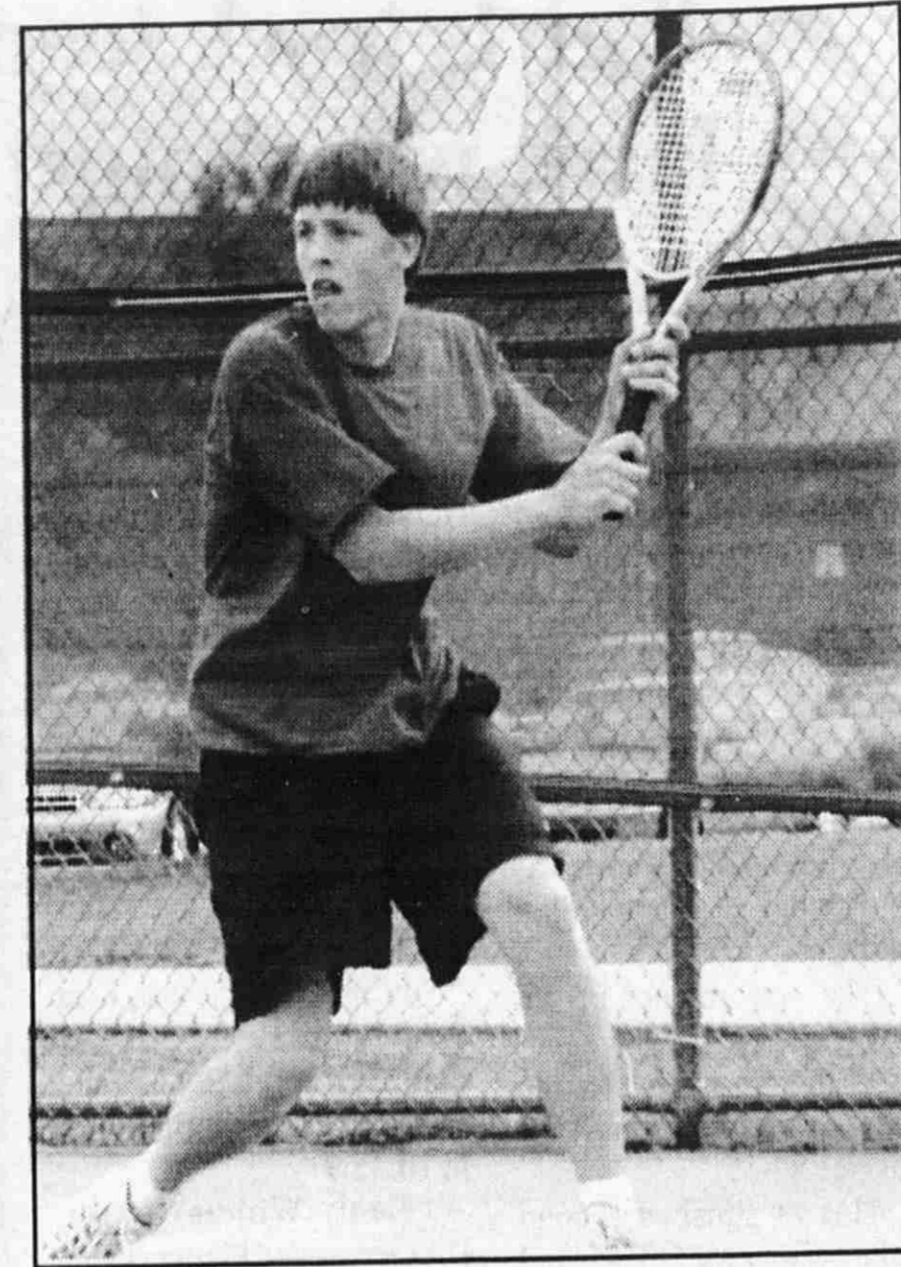
Lowell's third (Brendon Hardin and Paul Shellenberger) and fourth (Adam Meis and Justin Peterson) doubles teams also

posted victories at the Cadillac tournament. "The boys are getting better. We're seeing improvement," Wall said. "Their net play and their strategy are improving."

Earlier in the week, Lowell was defeated 8-0 by tennis powers, East Grand Rapids and Forest Hills Northern.



Chris Cress, first singles, displayed strong ground strokes in his win against Greenville at Cadillac on Saturday.



Lowell's Shaun Koning kept his opponents off balance by mixing up his shots as he finished second at Cadillac.

# Lowell edges Central by one stroke

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

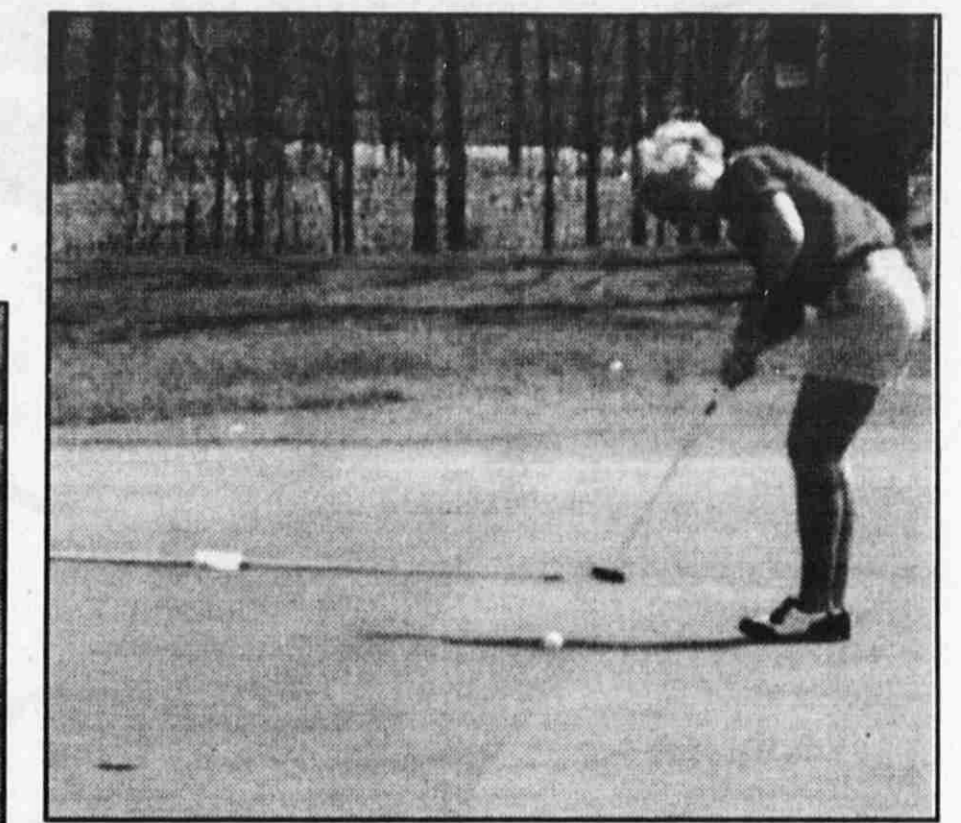
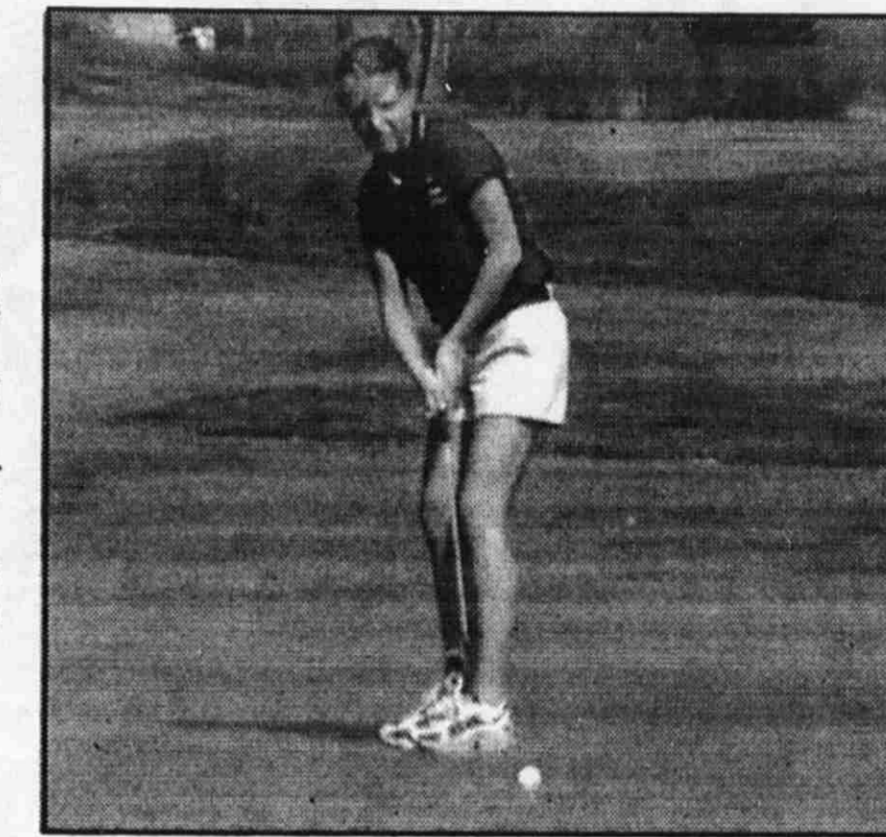
Lowell girls golf team improved its league record to 2-1 with a one stroke victory (200-201) over Forest Hills Central Thursday at Deer Run.

"It was an important win for us," said Lowell golf coach, Rick White. "East and Northern are a cut above the rest of the league, then there's Central and us. So this was a big win."

Lowell's top score was carded by Jenny Gunberg and Jeannie Dunn. Both Red Arrows shot rounds of 48.

Erin Mooney and Jackie Estes came home with rounds of 52.

"I think the girls learned today how important course damage control is and how much of a difference one stroke can make," White said.



Jenny Gunberg, above, and Jeannie Dunn, left, shot rounds of 48 in Lowell's 200-201 win over Forest Hills Central.

Jenny Gunberg shot her best round of the year against arguably the best team in the O-K White.

The Red Arrow fired a 42 at Deer Run in Lowell's 207-183 loss to East Grand Rapids. The third team in the triangular meet was Zeeland (247).

"East is deep. They have six players who shoot under 50,"

said Lowell coach, Rick White. "We were within five strokes after the first two groups came in, but we just don't have the depth yet."

Following Gunberg home were Red Arrows, Jeannie Dunn 52, Erin Mooney 53, and Tara Kuipers 60.

East's top four scores were handed in by Stephanie Petersen 44, Emelyn Northway 45, Sheila McMurry 46, and Katie Karholts 48.

The Chix' four scores were carded by Abbey Harvard 50, Elizabeth Lamer 59, Lindsay Kelly 67 and Erica Martin 71.

Greenville 191  
Lowell 217  
Belding 249

The Yellowjackets showed why they are one of the best golf teams in West Michigan.

The match medalist was Greenville's Jenny Calkins. She came home in 40. Following her were teammates Brittany Philo 43, Ashley King 53, and Roxanne Saladin 55.

For Lowell, Jenny Gunberg and Jeannie Dunn carded rounds of 52 followed by Erin Mooney's 55 and Jackie Estes' 57.

# Hard hitting Arrows improve to 7-3

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell hitters erupted for 16 hits in their nonconference 18-5 win at Middleville.

The Red Arrows trailed 3-0 after one inning and 5-2 after three before Lowell unleashed an offensive explosion in which they scored 16 runs over two innings.

Lowell plated eight runs in the fourth and sixth innings en route to improving its record to 7-3.

"We hit the ball hard and the main thing is our defensive play improved," said Lowell baseball coach, Tim Antel.

Austin Hunt was one of three players to collect three

hits. Hunt went 3-for-4 with four RBI.

Wade Gilchrist was 3-for-5 with two runs batted in and Bill Harrison rapped out three hits in four at-bats and knocked in two runs.

Harrison was also the starting and winning pitcher in going the distance (six innings), allowing five runs on eight hits while walking one and striking out two.

Other Red Arrows to collect two hits were Adam Kuzmin, 2-for-4 with one run batted in, and Dan Palasek also 2-for-4.

Lowell 7-3  
Sparta 2-8

In the opener, Lowell ace, Brad Eldridge pitched seven innings, allowing two runs while walking two and striking out four Spartan batters.

"Brad got stronger as the game went on," said Lowell baseball coach, Tim Antel. The win improved the senior's record to 3-0 on the season.

Andrew Benedict and Wade Gilchrist both rapped out two hits and two RBI. One of Benedict's hits was a run-producing double.

Bill Harrison also doubled for his only hit.

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Lowell scored a run in the second inning, four in the fourth and two in the fifth.

In game two, Sparta pushed across four unearned runs against Lowell in posting an 8-3 win.

Greg McQueen pitched for Lowell, going six innings, allowing eight runs (four unearned) and eight hits. Larry Kuzmin pitched an inning in relief.

Matt Barry and Eldridge led Lowell at the plate with two hits apiece.

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Lowell's Travis DeVoid, left, and Mark Catlin, third from the left, sprint to the finish in the 100-meter dash.

## Red Arrow boys blow past Northview; fall to Huskies

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell picked up eight firsts on its way to posting its first dual meet victory of the season.

The Red Arrow boys track team (1-2) defeated Northview 77-51 on Thursday. The win comes after suffering a tough defeat at the hands of East Grand Rapids and a loss to Forest Hills Northern.

"We're still missing numbers in a few spots, but I've been impressed with how well we're doing and with the improvement these guys are showing," said Lowell boys track coach, Russ Stevens.

Lowell earned three of its eight firsts in the field events. Travis DeVoid won the shot put with a distance of 44'9" and Dave Hefferan was victorious in the discus with a throw of 133'2". DeVoid finished third (119'2").

Jordan Moore's leap of 18'5" earned him top honors in the long jump.

The Red Arrows split the four relays, winning the 3200 and 400.

Zach Stauffer, Steve Ellison, Paul Depres and Matt Tschaenn came home in a winning time of 10:47.69 in the 3200-meter relay.

It was Mark Catlin, DeVoid, Nick Onan and Moore winning the 400-meter relay with a time of 46.29.

Catlin also won the 100-meter dash, stopping the clock in 11.90 seconds. DeVoid was second at 12.15.

Tschaenn's time of 2:07.98 earned him a first in the 800-meter run. Stauffer was third at 2:09.74.

Jeff Telman won the 300 hurdles with a winning time of 44.05. Teammate Andy Roberts was second in 44.72.

In the 110 high hurdles, Roberts placed second in a time of 17.10 while Telman was third (17.18).

Ellison (11:13.77) and Depres (11:14.96) were second and third respectively in the 3200-meter run.

The two Red Arrows were also second and third in the 1600-meter run. Ellison finished in 5:03.86 and Depres came home in 5:15.46.

In the 400-meter run, Lowell's Matt Foster placed second as he stopped the clock in 53.27.

Moore and Onan were second and third respectively in the 200 dash with times of 24.55 and 25.58.

FHN 83  
Lowell 54

2:12; and Moore, 200-meter dash, 33.64.

"Lemke and Howard have been pleasant surprises in the high jump as has Tweedale in the pole vault," Stevens said. "Foster and Carpenter have also been an added plus."

### Hastings Relays

Lowell's shuttle relay team was the only Red Arrow entry to place on Saturday.

The team of Andy Roberts, Jeff Telman, Ben Grummet and Zach Stauffer placed fourth.

Dave Hefferan took top honors in the discus with a throw of 136'5".

Lowell's only win in the running events came in the relays.

Mark Catlin, Nate Parnofello, Matt Foster and Moore won the 800-meter relay with a time of 1:44.75.

The team of Matt Tschaenn, Zach Stauffer, Craig Carpenter and Foster won the 1600-meter relay, coming home in 3:36.

Red Arrows finishing second in events were Wes Tweedale, pole vault, 10'6"; Travis DeVoid, shot put, 43'9"; Andy Roberts, 110 high hurdles, 16.19; Foster, 400-meter dash, 52.86; Tschaenn, 800-meter run,



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## Girls Track, con'd... From Page 19

were first among a field of 13 teams.

Lowell tallied 63.5 points followed by Grand Ledge 61.5, Battle Creek Lakeview 47, Greenville 36, Eaton Rapids 33, Lansing Waverly 32, Sturgis 32, St. Joseph 28, Gull Lake 21.5, Harper Creek 18, Three Rivers 18, Charlotte 12 and Hastings 5.

"It's nice to win the relay, but it is also nice that we were competing against teams that we will see in our regional," Lowell girls track coach, Kathy Talus said.

Lowell garnered three first-place finishes.

Krystal White, Natalie Kent, Heather Becker and

April Telman won the shuttle hurdles (official times were not available).

White, Jenna Dickerman, Kim Huyser and Kent won the 4x200.

In the 4x400, Lowell's Kent, Dickerman, Holly Plattner and Wojciakowski were first home.

Wojciakowski, Plattner, Sarah Swab and Kristin Lee placed second in the 4x800.

Nicole Gillikin and Rebekah Woods finished second in the pole vault.

Lowell finished fourth in the high jump, 4x100 and the sprint medley; fifth in the discus and 4x1600; and sixth in

the long jump and shot put.

Lowell 102  
Northview 35

Sarah Swab anchored Lowell's distance events winning the 1600 (6:06) and 3200-meter run (13:57.29). The Red Arrows easily outdistanced and undermanned the Northview team as they also had a leg in the winning 3200-meter relay.

Lowell also posted wins in the shot put, discus, high jump, 100 hurdles, 100 dash, 400-meter relay, 800-meter run, 200 dash, 400 run and the 1600-meter relay.

## Lowell soccer team upended by Hastings and FHN

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell girls soccer team did everything but win at Hastings.

The Saxons shut out the Red Arrows 2-0, despite recording just six shots on goal, compared to Lowell's 15.

"It's a frustrating loss, because the girls played with great energy and effort," Lowell soccer coach, Ryan Conlan explained. "They stepped up and played the way they need to every

game. They did everything but win tonight."

In Lowell's 15 shots on goal, the Red Arrows had shots hit off the post, sail over the cross bar and just go wide.

"The girls are struggling with finishing right now, but we're getting better," Conlan said. "When they play and practice like they did tonight, there's no shame in losing. We just need a win to gain a little confidence."

Against a good Forest Hills Northern club, Lowell looked

tentative. The Huskies turned that into five first-half goals en route to an 8-1 win.

Lowell's only goal of the game came in the second half off the foot of Becky Bossard.

"The girls played as if they were intimidated by Northern and didn't respond in the first half the way they needed to," Conlan explained. "The girls have to play relaxed and at their very best to have a chance against a team like Northern."

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# CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

## PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL

For the Regular Meeting of **MONDAY, APRIL 8, 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, Myers, Pfaller and Mayor Shores.  
Absent: None.  
Also Present: City Manager David Pasquale, City Clerk Betty Morlock, Public Works Parks and Streets Supervisor Scott Fosburg, Police Chief Jim Valentine, Planning Commission Chairman Jim Hall, Planning Commissioner Al Mathews, Police Officer James Hinton and Chamber of Commerce Director Liz Baker.

IT WAS MOVED BY BLOUGH and seconded by MYERS that the minutes of the March 18, 2002 meeting be approved as written.  
YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY BRUBAKER and seconded by PFALLER that the bills and accounts payable be allowed and the warrants issued.  
YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (04/08/02)	
GENERAL FUND .....	\$172,382.40
MAJOR STREET FUND .....	25,672.66
LOCAL STREET FUND .....	794.65
DDA FUND .....	325.16
CITY HALL CONSTRUCTION FUND .....	624.00
AIRPORT FUND .....	49.50
WASTEWATER FUND .....	31,419.68
WATER FUND .....	6,424.25
DATA PROCESSING FUND .....	3,081.74
EQUIPMENT FUND .....	1,804.74
INVESTMENT FUND .....	46.27
CURRENT TAX FUND .....	29,611.79

**Item #1. PRESENTATION BY WAYNE CREELMAN, CANDIDATE FOR OFFICE OF STATE REPRESENTATIVE, 86TH DISTRICT.** Wayne Creelman updated the Council on the status of his campaign. Since declaring his candidacy, Creelman has made contact with 11,840 homes in the district. Out of the 480 homes he planned to visit in the City of Lowell, he has met with 479. Creelman was unable to locate the home of Grace and Jonathan Rash at 862 Lincoln Lake.

While visiting residents in the City of Lowell, the following items seemed to surface frequently: the importance of protecting public school funding, watching for development or slow it down, meager unemployment benefits, concern of health care costs, not wanting any higher taxes and the Perrier water issue.

Creelman stated he would address the Council one last time before the August 6, 2002 election. He asked for an endorsement from the Council, noting he has received thirteen endorsements from other elected municipal officials. Creelman stated the Michigan State Medical Society, Michigan Psychiatric Society, Michigan Association of Health Plans and the 1776 Society of Veterans have all endorsed him.  
Mayor Shores thanked Creelman for being present. No further information was received.

**Item #2. PRESENTATION BY TIM DOYLE, CANDIDATE FOR OFFICE OF STATE SENATOR, 29TH DISTRICT.** Candidate Tim Doyle explained he is running for a very large district which encompasses the entire City of Grand Rapids as well as Grand Rapids Township, Cascade Township, City of Kentwood, City of Lowell, Lowell Township, Vergennes Township and Grattan Township.

Doyle indicated he has been a prosecutor in Kent County for the past three and a half years. He has also worked in the State Senate as a law clerk and worked for Lieutenant Governor Dick Posthumus when he was a State Senator as well as for the Senate Majority Policy Office. Doyle believed he has a good understanding of how State government must work in Lansing.

Doyle asked for support from the City and noted people

can visit his web site at <http://www.timdoyle.org>.

Doyle's motto is "fresh prospective you can trust." Mayor Shores also thanked Doyle for his presentation. No further information was provided.

**Item #3. REQUEST FROM THE KENT COUNTY YOUTH FAIR FOR A TEMPORARY LIQUOR LICENSE AT THE AUGUST 16 - 18 RODEO.** Ron Wenger presented a letter from the Kent County Youth Fair requesting a temporary liquor license for the operation of a beer tent at a rodeo scheduled on August 16 - 18, 2002. The beer tent will be located in the Foreman Building.

An application must be submitted to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission upon approval of the Police Chief. An endorsement from the City Council is sought. Police Chief Jim Valentine did not see a problem with this proposal. City Manager Pasquale stated Valentine had explained a temporary liquor license can be approved by the department. However, because this particular location is on City property, Valentine felt it was prudent that an endorsement be received from the Council.

Wenger provided a copy of an application from the Liquor Control Commission. He explained Executive Vice President of the Shriners of Western Michigan, Brian Beckett had presented the idea to him. Wenger believed this would be a good event for Lowell.

Wenger noted entertainment would also be located in the Foreman Building for Friday and Saturday night. Mayor Shores inquired who would provide the policing for the event. Wenger was unsure.

Beckett stated the Shriners would be collecting the money. He suggested the Rotarians get involved and actually provide the dispensing of the beverages. Beckett stated other locations were sought. However, the Fairgrounds meets exactly the criteria of the rodeo producer. He noted the band would be playing Thursday through Saturday. Beckett suggested the tickets for the event be available through the Lowell Chamber of Commerce. This will be a fundraiser for the Shriners of West Michigan.

Councilmember Myers inquired if the Shriners have done this type of rodeo before. Beckett responded yes.

Myers asked if endorsement went hand in hand with liability. Beckett responded the Shriners have their own liability policy for every event. The City of Lowell and the Kent County Youth Fair would be named on the policy.

Myers asked if there have been any incidents with animal rights activists. Joe VanderHoff responded once in a great while.

Myers inquired if the City would receive any revenue. Beckett noted the sheriff reserve would be camping on the grounds. Also, the surrounding police departments from nearby counties have been invited. Beckett also noted they would pay for the clean up, trash, police rentals and parking lot.

Mayor Shores asked how many people are expected to attend. VanderHoff stated if the weather is good, 15,000 to 16,000 could be expected. Councilmember Pfaller inquired if the traffic pattern would be similar to the fair. Wenger responded yes.

Councilmember Brubaker asked if any type of training is provided to the individuals serving beer in order to determine if someone has had too much to drink. Beckett responded a brand has not been chosen yet, but a course would be established.

Pfaller questioned what precedence this would set if an individual wants to set up a tent at Stoney Lakeside Park. He felt if the City allows this, it opens the door to happen elsewhere. City Attorney Richard Wendt did not believe this would create any legal precedence. In each instance, the applicant would have to apply for a license and be approved by the Police Chief. Simply granting a special license does not commit the City to permitting this elsewhere.

Valentine agreed with the concept of having the area contained in the Foreman Building. It makes control of the area much easier.

It was noted individuals would not be allowed to bring in their own alcohol.

IT WAS MOVED BY BLOUGH and seconded by MYERS to endorse the request in allowing the beer tent as part of the Big Hat Rodeo on August 16 - 18, 2002 at the Foreman Building.

YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Beckett also noted the Shriners are trying to arrange for a grand parade entrance into the Rodeo on Friday evening. He asked if Mayor Shores would be interested in riding a horse into the arena.

**Item #4. CONSIDERATION OF A PROPOSED LEASE WITH HUNTINGTON BANK TO TEMPORARILY ACCOMMODATE THE CITY HALL AND POLICE STATION AT 414 EAST MAIN STREET.** Councilmember Myers noted he would abstain from discussion and voting on the matter.

City Manager Pasquale noted Senior Vice President of Huntington Doug Krenzer was present for discussion. Over the past number of months, there have been discussions with representatives from Huntington regarding temporary quarters for the City Hall and Police Station, while construction work is undertaken. The project is scheduled to begin this summer and take approximately one year to complete.

In considering possible sites, the Huntington Bank building at 414 E. Main was brought to the City's attention as a possible location. There is approximately 4,830 square feet of office space, which would be available for the City Hall and the Police Department. The space is already supplied with furniture. A proposal has been submitted to the City from the bank.

Krenzer stated Huntington Bank would be happy to donate the space. However, there would be a cost to separate the bank from City Hall/Police Department. The proposal states the bank will pay for a dividing wall to separate the space as long as these costs (\$60,000) are reimbursed within a two-year period of time. The City could also choose to do the renovation, which would allow the space to be rented free for up to two years.

Pasquale noted the renovation would cost approximately \$45,000. The City would probably not need to use the building for much more than a year. It is necessary to divide the City offices from the bank for security purposes.

By general consensus, the Council agreed to seek bids.

**Item #5. REPAIR OF THE WEST EXTERIOR WALL OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING - CONSIDERATION OF BIDS.** Over the past months, there has been water leakage and damage to the interior west wall, ceiling and north interior wall of the Chamber of Commerce building. Department of Public Works Director Dan DesJarden contacted local contractors to assess the damage and determine repair. The following bids were received:

- Architectural Building Restoration, Inc. .... \$5,575.00 (Mark Batchelor)
- Parks Construction Services, Inc. .... \$8,583.79

City Manager Pasquale recommended Architectural Building Restoration, Inc. be awarded the contract to repair the Chamber of Commerce building at a cost of \$5,575 allocated from the General Fund - Unallocated.

Public Works Streets and Parks Supervisor Scott Fosburg stated vinyl siding would be placed on the entire west side. Currently, the vinyl stops at the roofline.

Pasquale explained when looking at the interior wall, the north side has much water damage along with some ceiling tiles. In order to make the building presentable, it needs to be repaired.

The possibility of an insurance claim will be investigated.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by PFALLER to approve the bid from Architectural Building Restoration, Inc. (Mark Batchelor) for an amount of \$5,575 to repair the west exterior wall of the Chamber of Commerce building. Councilmember Brubaker had trouble comparing the two bids. Pasquale explained one contractor wanted to do more work than necessary. It was then brought back to the contractor and stated exactly what needs to be done. The bid was then revised.

YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item #6. REQUEST TO VACATE THE REMAINING PORTIONS OF HILL STREET FROM LLOYD AND ELLEN RITZEMA - SET PUBLIC HEARING (4/22).** A letter was received from Lloyd (829 Shepard) and Ellen (825 Shepard) Ritzema to vacate Hill Street, which borders on the south of Lots 106 and 107 of Ellsworth Addition and the City property. Hill Street is unimproved with the western portions already vacated.

IT WAS MOVED BY PFALLER and seconded by BLOUGH to set a public hearing for April 22, 2002 to consider the request to vacate the remaining portions of Hill Street from Lloyd and Ellen Ritzema.

YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item #7. CONSIDERATION OF ACCESS AND UTILITY EASEMENTS FOR G AND C LAND COMPANY FOR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ON SHEPARD DRIVE.** City Attorney Richard Wendt explained Holwerda Builders has constructed three new homes off of Shepard Drive. When the City was originally approached, the builders had requested very broad easements over a strip of property the City owned between the Shepard Drive right of way and these particular parcels. At the time, the City indicated their willingness to provide easements across the City owned property as long as those easements could be specifically defined and limited. The homes have now been constructed on those sites. It is now known where the driveways are located as well as where the water and sewer lines will be. In adopting the resolution, the Council would be granting access in utility easements for all three of the parcels to the eventual owners.

Blough referred to a drive being placed relatively close to a utility pole, which also at one point was thought to service a neighbor to the north of parcel A (Jones, 803 Shepard). Blough asked if this utility pole was still in place and did it still border close to where the easement is drawn for the driveway on parcel A. City Manager Pasquale understood the pole was still present.

Wendt suggested a motion be made contingent on verifying the utility pole related to the easement for parcel A is not located within or too close to the easement area.

IT WAS MOVED BY PFALLER and seconded by BLOUGH to approve access and utility easements for G and C Land Company for residential development on Shepard Drive contingent upon verifying the utility pole is not located within or too close to the driveway servicing Parcel A.  
YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**REQUEST FROM HOLWERDA BUILDERS TO GRANT AN ACCESS EASEMENT FOR THE CREATION OF THREE TO FIVE LOTS FROM SHEPARD DRIVE.** Gregory Holwerda was present to discuss his interest in the property to the north of the new development on Shepard Drive formerly known as the Kissinger property (811 Shepard). It appears the road may have been misplaced when it was originally installed. There is a strip of City owned property between the road right of way and this parcel. The house needs to be repaired and then will be placed back on the market at which time some lots will be split for additional homes. In order for this to be accomplished, there is a matter of accessing the property.

City Manager Pasquale stated this brings issues from previous easements being granted such as if the City considers this easement, what would the precise access points be along with the issue of sidewalks. Pasquale noted there is a potential for up to five homes. At least three homes will be built. It was noted the property is zoned Residential and can accommodate these homes.

Councilmember Pfaller suggested the Planning Commission review the issue first. Pasquale noted a survey needs to be completed showing where the access easements would be needed.

Holwerda asked if it could be worked the same way as the other Shepard houses where there is a separate easement for ingress and egresses and then define another

area for utilities and light. Pasquale thought so. However, these issues should be brought before the Planning Commission on April 29, 2002.

No further information was provided.

**Item #8. RV ORDINANCE - RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND REQUEST FOR DISCUSSION FROM SEVERAL AFFECTED RESIDENTS.** At its March 25, 2002 meeting, the Planning Commission decided to keep the RV ordinance as is, after several months of review. There was no consensus from the Commission regarding proposed changes to the text. The Commission left the issue of enforcement to the Council to decide.

Dwain Scheller, who served on the ad hoc committee, requested the opportunity for several affected residents to speak on the issue. He stated the debate began many months ago when many area residents were sent notification that they were violating an RV ordinance by parking or storing an RV. There have been many meetings concerning the issue. The City Council had given the Planning Commission the task of developing a compromise stating the present ordinance seemed to be too restrictive and it may have a negative effect on many Lowell area residents. As written currently, the ordinance is not very workable for the City or the residents. It does not even allow an RV to be parked in the driveway for five minutes. If a resident happens to be packing for a trip, whether it be an RV or fishing boat, a violation will be given.

The ideas discussed range from mandatory removal of trees or buildings and landscape to accommodate rear yard access so the RV can be parked in the rear yard to leaving the ordinance as is. At one point, there was even a motion on the floor from the Commission to abolish the ordinance.

A question was raised at the last Planning Commission meeting concerning when was the last time there was a complaint from a Lowell area resident concerning RV parking or storage. The response was not any complaints which could be remembered. Scheller, along with others from the community, urged the Council to use common sense when addressing the issue and evaluate the necessity of it. Scheller believes the ordinance should be enforced on a complaint basis or based upon a police officer's view of traffic being blocked.

Planning Commissioner Al Mathews stated he owns an RV and is able to park it in his rear yard. However, there are many others who can not park the RV in the back yard, where the lots are too small. Mathews had presented a basic ordinance. He was concerned about abolishing it totally because he did not want to see RV's being parked in an individual's front yard. Mathews believed the ordinance presented to the Planning Commission was too restrictive.

Glen Groenwig of 735 Hunt has a lot with no access to the back yard. He wanted some type of agreement to be made.

Mayor Shores believed the present ordinance was too restrictive. She suggested the proposals be presented at the next meeting. Commissioner Brubaker wanted a recommendation from the Planning Commission rather than the Council providing one. He believed the recommendation already received from the Commission was to let the issue drop and review the location of RV's on a complaint basis. Brubaker agreed there are problems with the current ordinance but was not ready to adopt a change.

Councilmember Myers asked if the ordinance was in place prior to it being enforced. Pasquale responded yes.

Police Chief Valentine explained this would be handled on a complaint basis. He noted zoning issues are the lowest concern with the Police Department and would be handled from a safety perspective. There have been some complaints regarding the placement of RV's, but when it falls within the parameters of the ordinance, the Department tries to work it out with those concerned. There has been no aggressive enforcement.

Councilmember Blough stated there have been complaints received in the past. It is usually a result of a neighbor complaint or possibly initiated by a law enforcement agency.

Shores suggested the Councilmembers send suggestions to Planning Commission Chairman Hall regarding

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their opinions on this and then take it back to the Commission.

Dave Harding (804 N. Monroe) stated he reviewed the ordinance prior to 1995. It stated "the storage of recreational vehicles is prohibited in any front yard." Then "it may be stored in the side or rear yards, can not live in it, must be locked or sealed, must be maintained and kept in good repair." If an individual does not agree with the regulations, applications may be filed with the Zoning Board of Appeals for a variance. Harding believed this was fair.

The Council agreed to send suggestions to Hall before the next meeting.

By general consensus, the issue was tabled and sent back to the Planning Commission for further review.

**Item #9. FOREMAN AND HUDSON STREET INTERSECTION DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES - PROPOSAL FROM WILLIAMS AND WORKS.** At the last meeting, Ed Swanson provided a schematic drawing of the widening of Foreman and Hudson. This would be on the west side or the northwest and southwest corner of the intersection. By consensus, the Council asked for a proposal from Williams and Works. The proposal included \$2,000 for design and \$1,600 for construction services totalling \$3,600.

Pasquale noted the restructuring of the curb line on the north side would be determined once a survey has been completed.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by PFALLER to approve the proposal from Williams and Works in an amount of \$3,600 to widen the northwest and southwest corners of the Foreman/Hudson intersection.

YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**Item #10. 2002 STREETS PROJECTS - AWARD OF BIDS, CONSIDERATION OF SIZING TRANSPORTATION BONDS AND BOND AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION.** On April 2, bids were received for reconstructing Valley Vista and North Division streets as well as providing curb for a portion of Bowes Road.

As indicated from David Austin of Williams and Works, the low bid of the five received was submitted by Shaler Excavating of Saranac at a cost of \$418,626. Shaler Excavating has had a considerable amount of success with the City.

Pasquale recommended the Council award the projects to Shaler Excavating.

Councilmember Pfaller asked if the bid included the cost of the utility movement. It was noted this would be a part of the cost from Lowell Light and Power. Some trees have already been removed on the east side and a few more will be removed on the west side.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by BRUBAKER to approve the bid from Shaler Excavating at a cost of \$418,626 for the Valley Vista and North Division street reconstruction projects as well as curbing a portion of Bowes Road.

YEA: 5.  
NAY: 0.  
ABSENT: 0.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Pasquale stated the Valley Vista and North Division projects will be paid from a Michigan Transportation Fund Bond. The Bowes Road project will be undertaken from the Major Street Fund. A total bond cost of \$470,000 was provided based upon the contractor's low bid estimate plus contingencies for both Valley Vista and North Division. A retaining wall will also be placed on the north end of North Division.

The current bond authorization provides a limit of \$600,000. This gives the Council two options. First, the bond could be reduced providing the \$470,000 in proceeds with a \$495,000 bond. This would reduce yearly payments by \$10,000 to \$15,000. As a second option, additional street work could be incorporated by change order utilizing the contractor's current unit prices. Work would have to be near one of the construction sites. Two possible projects include High from Jackson east and Sibley from Valley Vista to Ridgeview.



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While additional street project locations do not have to be determined at this meeting, the amount of the bond needs to be. Also, a bond authorizing resolution provided by City Attorney Wendt must be adopted. Councilmember Pfaller believed the City should stay where it is and go with the \$470,000.

Councilmember Blough believed this has met our Capital Improvements Plan. He would rather see the \$470,000 spent and review the Capital Improvements Plan next year. Councilmembers Myers and Brubaker were also in agreement.

City Attorney Richard Wendt asked the Council to consider the bond authorizing resolution. The resolution was for \$625,000. The amount will now change based on the decision made tonight. Wendt pointed out there is a schedule of principal payments over a period of 15 years. This schedule would change as follows:

YEAR	PAYMENT	YEAR	PAYMENT
2003	\$25,000	2011	\$40,000
2004	\$25,000	2012	\$40,000
2005	\$25,000	2013	\$40,000
2006	\$25,000	2014	\$45,000
2007	\$30,000	2015	\$45,000
2008	\$30,000	2016	\$45,000
2009	\$30,000	2017	\$45,000
2010	\$35,000		

Wendt noted until bids are taken, we will not know what the interest rate will be on the bonds. However, the current market indicates a savings between \$10,000 and \$15,000 a year.

The City must take competitive bids on the bond issue. Bids are scheduled to be received on April 17. A notice of sale needs to be published at least seven days before receipt of the bids because the amount was changed.

Wendt inquired if bids could be received on April 18. Michael Gormely of Fahnestock & Co., Inc. indicated it would have to be at 1:00 p.m. or after 3:30 p.m.

Wendt asked if the Council would be available for a meeting around 5:30 or 6:00 on April 18th. There would not be a quorum available.

Wendt stated the next date would be April 23, 2002. It was noted a quorum would be available. Wendt stated bids could be received at 11:00 a.m. and a meeting could be held during the noon lunch hour.

Gormely recommended the bids take place on April 23, 2002 because no other bond sales are scheduled. Wendt directed the Council to look at Exhibit B where the official notice of sale is. The following changes in the first paragraph should be providing the bond sale on Tuesday, April 23, 2002 at 11:00 a.m. Then the last sentence of the paragraph should state the City Council will meet on Tuesday, April 23, 2002 to consider the award of the bid.

Wendt noted the same change should be made on page 10, section 22 of the official notice.

IT WAS MOVED BY BRUBAKER and seconded by BLOUGH to adopt the resolution prepared by City Attorney Richard Wendt and as amended per discussion for the authorizing of \$495,000 in Transportation Fund Bonds. YEA: 5. NAY: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Item #11. DISCUSSION OF BUILDING AUTHORITY AND WATER REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS ISSUES WITH MICHAEL GORMELY OF FAHNESTOCK AND COMPANY, INC. Mike Gormely of Fahnestock and Company (formerly First of Michigan) explained the company has carried out bond issues for the City both on a negotiated basis where his firm was selected as the underwriter and also have worked as a financial adviser where bonds have been sold competitively.

Gormely explained with interest rates in today's market, there is an opportunity to possibly refinance the outstanding water bonds.

A study has been completed and discussed with City Attorney Richard Wendt and City Manager Pasquale. The arbitrage yield results refer to the average interest rates on the new refunding bond, which is approximately 4.77%. The average coupon of the refunded bonds is approximately 5.76%. The Net Present Value Savings in today's market is \$33,000 and the percentage savings of refunded bonds is at 1.39%.

Gormely referred to coupons. A bond insurance commitment was received from Financial Security Assurance to

insure, for the life of the refunding bonds, the principal and interest and borrow at AAA rated rates and pay the firm a premium at 39 basis points based upon total principal and interest or a debt service of \$3,564,000. These numbers are estimates based upon today's market. The savings for the City in today's market of gross savings would be \$62,751.55 while the present value in today's dollars is approximately \$28,625.68. This is below the City's expectations to move forward with the refinancing. Pasquale wanted to see a gross savings of \$100,000.

Gormely reviewed the interest rate sensitivity as to where the bond market needs to go in the form of rates in order to receive the savings commitment. In today's market, there is a savings of \$62,751.55. If the market goes down 10 basis points (.1%) in interest rates, there will be a savings of approximately \$88,000 gross or \$50,000 present value. Going down 20 basis points (.2%) will place the City in access of the expectations of \$100,000 in savings.

Gormely explained when bonds are sold competitively, a date and time need to be chosen along with a notice of sale published. There is not much flexibility in a competitive bond sale. However, in a negotiated sale, there is more flexibility because the underwriter is able to take the seller into the market.

Wendt referred to the bond-authorizing ordinance. The ordinance authorizes Pasquale to negotiate the sales of these bonds when the market is right within the parameters set forth in the ordinance. This ordinance also requires Pasquale to report the results of the negotiated sale to the Council before the bonds have been actually issued.

The ordinance must be published for the water revenue bonds.

Councilmember Blough inquired what the covenant was. Wendt responded it is an additional bonds test which currently states if the City wants to issue additional water revenue bonds in the future, the water rates have to increase to reach a 120% for at least one year before any debt service is incurred.

IT WAS MOVED BY BRUBAKER and seconded by PFALLER to adopt the ordinance authorizing the refunding of the water revenue bonds as presented by City Attorney Richard Wendt. YEA: 5. NAY: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Gormely stated the Building Authority will be issuing approximately 4.8 million in bonds. This will be a significant bonding year for the City. Since Lowell will go over the ten million-dollar mark in a calendar year for tax-exempt bonds, the City will not be able to sell bonds either qualified tax exempt or bank qualified. This means banks which are buying for their own portfolios are actively looking for bank qualified bonds because these are able to be written off their caring charge and enhance their yield. The banks can not do this with the City bonds. As of March 1, 2002, the State of Michigan has recreated the Act 202 for Municipal Bonds under the new Act 34. Any municipality can choose or select their method of sale such as competitive or negotiated. He had informed Pasquale of the option of selecting the bonds, if so chosen in a negotiated sale.

Gormely explained some of the factors of a competitive sale. It is really an auction of bonds. The bonds go up for sale, a fixed date and time are chosen and then enter into the market and sell the bonds.

The underwriter's discount in a negotiated sale will be lower than the competitive sale because the underwriter is bidding on bonds and their building in a risk premium because they don't usually have the bonds sold.

Wendt added there is much merit in performing a negotiated sale. But to him the real test is when a time and date are chosen to negotiate the sale of these bonds and how does this compare to market. The key is the underwriter being able to demonstrate the interest rates that these bonds are to be purchased at is the market for that day. He wanted the City to have some basis of comparison for other issues, which were issued on or about the same date.

No further information was provided.

Item #12. RESOLUTIONS SUPPORTING FINANCING ADDITIONAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CAMPBELL NO. 3 GENERATING PLANT THROUGH ISSUANCE OF BONDS BY THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC POWER AGENCY. City Attorney Richard Wendt explained the

resolution being requested is from Lowell Light and Power. Light and Power participates through the Michigan Public Power Agency with other similar municipalities in the financing of certain power projects. One of those is called the Campbell project which is a coal-fired generated plant operated by Consumers Energy Company. Some additional bonds will be issued to undertake improvements to the Campbell Plant. As a part of this, Light and Power is asking the Council to adopt the provided resolution. This would state the City agrees through the Light and Power compliance with the continuing disclosure requirements will be given by filing an annual report on the condition of the Light and Power Department. Wendt noted this is done for all bonds in excess of one million dollars.

Councilmember Blough referred to the statement from Lowell Light and Power General Manager Tom Richards, this does not guarantee there will not be an increase in the cost.

IT WAS MOVED BY PFALLER and seconded by MYERS to approve the resolution to support financing additional improvements to the Campbell No. 3 Generating Plant through issuance of bonds by the Michigan Public Power Agency and agreement with continuing disclosure requirements. YEA: 5. NAY: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Item #13. METRIC MANUFACTURING (1001 FOREMAN) - APPLICATION FOR AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE (P.A. 198) - SET PUBLIC HEARING (4/22). Metric Manufacturing has applied for an industrial tax abatement related to the construction of an addition (1,168 square feet) and purchase of machinery and equipment. Metric would qualify for twelve years of abatement under the point system adopted by the Council. It was noted the cost of improvement would be \$1,510,000 in machinery and equipment. One hundred seven (107) existing jobs will be retained and twenty (20) new positions will be created within two years as a result of the project. Councilmember Myers asked if the construction was complete and is operation in the new part of the building in place. Metric Manufacturing President Gary Gilbert responded yes. It was completed within the last few weeks.

IT WAS MOVED BY PFALLER and seconded by BLOUGH to set a public hearing for April 22, 2002 to consider an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate application from Metric Manufacturing. YEA: 5. NAY: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Item #14. CITIZEN COMMENTS. Cindy Smith of 832 N. Jefferson stated she has a walnut tree in her front yard that she wishes to have taken down. It lies on both her property and the City's. City Manager Pasquale stated there would be no cost to the City. The tree would be taken down because they wish to have additional landscaping and planting. It is very difficult for other items to grow near a walnut tree. If the tree is taken down another tree will be planted. By general consensus, the Council agreed to allow the removal of the tree.

Item #15. COUNCIL COMMENTS. No comments were received.

Item #16. MANAGER'S REPORT. City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:

- The following meetings minutes were provided:
  - Planning Commission meeting minutes of February 25, 2002
  - Board of Light and Power meeting minutes of January 21 and February 18, 2002
  - Board of Cable Television meeting minutes of January 21 and February 18, 2002
- The following dates have been confirmed with the City of St. Joseph for Mayor Exchange:
  - Thursday, May 16th here
  - Thursday, May 23rd in St. Joseph

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS to adjourn at 9:53 p.m. DATE APPROVED: Monday, April 22, 2002 C. Jeanne Shores, Mayor Betty R. Morlock, Clerk Gary & Leigh Stadt

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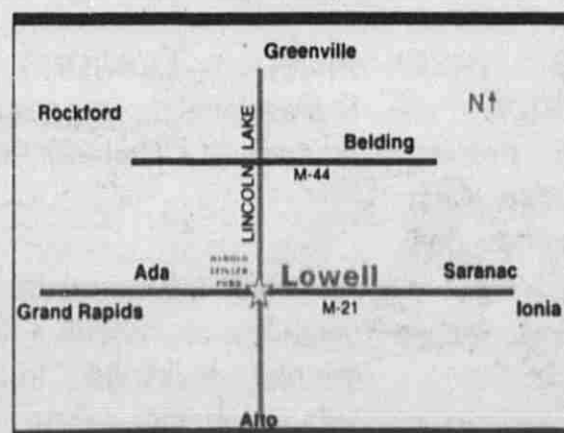


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