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Women rule at 2nd annual Spirit of Community gala

••• Luanne Kaeb and Judy Straub are awarded the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce Person of the Year award.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Unofficially, the Lowell community celebrated the "year of the women" at the second annual Spirit of Community gala.

All of the honorees, recognized Friday night for their dedication, volunteerism, devotion, sacrifice, time and talents, were women.

Bob Pfaller, presenter of

the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce Person of the Year award, raised the question: Do women always do things in pairs? Not on Friday...they received their awards as a quartet.

Tammy Beatson was honored with the Marsha Wilcox Community Service award and Fran Mendez received the Lowell Area Arts Council's Arty award; the Person of the Year award was bestowed upon Luanne Kaeb and Judy Straub.

"All the individuals we honored tonight have given us a great gift - their time, talent and a piece of their life. The community we live in is a better place because they have touched each of us in some way, often without us realizing it," Pfaller explained.

Straub and Kaeb both have given untold hours of service to the community.

Together, the two women turned the dream of a few local history buffs into a first rate, top notch museum.

In addition, Kaeb and Straub have spent numerous hours dedicating their time to the Showboat, Fallasburg Fall Festival booths, Riverwalk Festival, Kent County Youth Fair, Future Farmers of America (FFA) and the Lowell Area Historical Museum as well as to church activities, historical tours and talks, grant applications and parade entries.

Kaeb touched the lives of numerous 4-H youths through her 17 years as a leader of Alto Active Achievers. She has helped many with their self-esteem, confidence and leadership.

"It's a real honor to receive the award," Kaeb ex-

plained. "I'm real happy that the museum is open. A lot of effort has gone into it."

Kaeb's children told Pfaller their mother, always the historian, would visit every dam and bridge on their vacations.

"They are both professional, full-time volunteers - if there is such a thing," Pfaller said in quoting a comment from one of the nominators. "They have both given Lowell so much."

Straub, honored by the award, said she felt overwhelmed. "As a child I moved from place to place and school to school, and was never able to gain a sense of community," she explained. "It's been a privilege to be involved in the Lowell community for the past 13-14 years. It has given me a sense of rootedness."

Mendez, a former teacher, left education to become involved in many family and community activities.

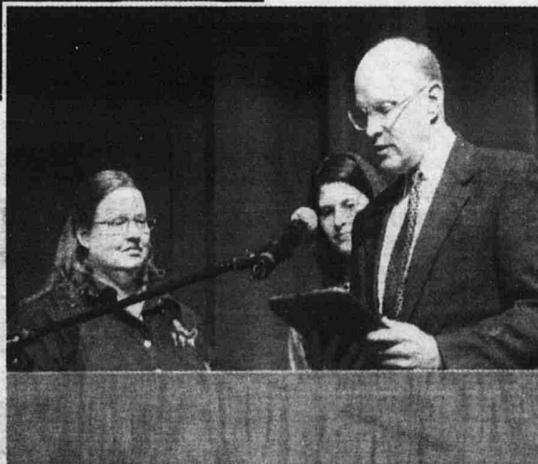
"She is one of those people who quietly finds a way to help and strengthen our community and - in this case - especially the arts," said Arty Award presenter, Jim White.

Behind the scenes, Mendez has been seen in the ticket booth for LAAC plays, volunteering at the arts council, working the Christmas show and at Fallasburg Fall Festival. She has also taught classes at the council for students and adults.

"As many probably know, Fran teaches woodcarving classes and started the Flat River Woodcarvers," White explained.

Beatson, for the past eight years, has volunteered her time in the Alto Reading Center, assisting Diana Hammerman. She also provides a helping

Person of the Year,
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Luanne Kaeb and Judy Straub, top, receive their "Person of the Year" awards. Bottom left, Fran Mendez is presented her Arty Award by Liz Baker and Jim White; Tammy Beatson, right, receives the Marsha Wilcox Community Service Award from Pete Gustafson.

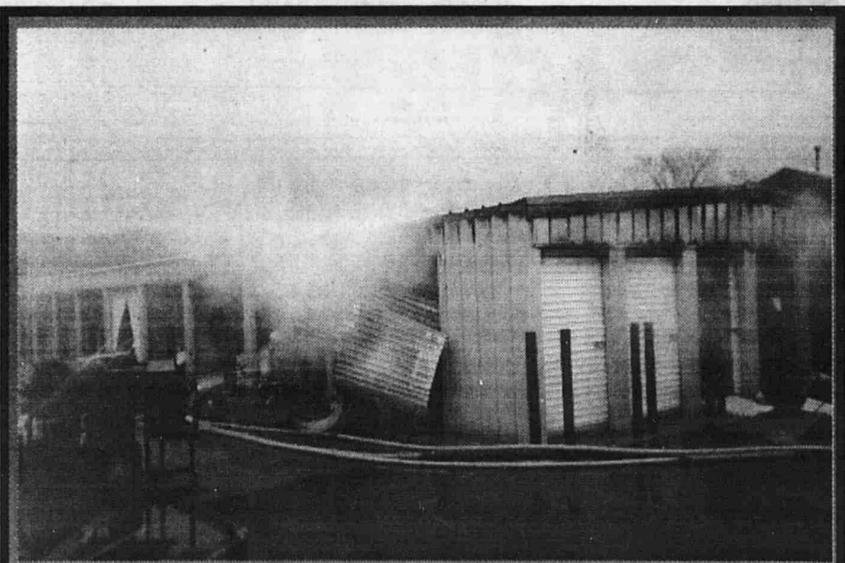
Sundry restarts Grindle development process

By J.N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer

The Lowell Planning Commission will once again consider changing the zoning of a piece of property located at 751 Grindle. This time, however, it's the developer who is not so thrilled about the prospect.

At the Monday night planning commission meeting, the commission voted unanimously to hold a public hearing on rezoning the Grindle property, along with property in front of it running on Main Street, from suburban residential to R-1 residential. This would allow for smaller lot sizes and house sizes. However, it wasn't ex-

Sundry, cont'd pg. 8



Smoldering Storage

A Sunday morning fire left \$38,000 in structural damage to TLC Leasing at 2401 W. Main. The cause of the fire was determined to be smoking, according to Lowell police officer, James Hinton. The Lowell officer said a 20-year-old homeless man from Rockford had rented a storage unit and had recently begun using it as a place of shelter. The Lowell Area Fire Department was called to the scene at 7:35 a.m. Sunday.

Hinton said the fire burned approximately 3,000 square feet of the steel structure. Fifteen units incurred fire damage and eight others had smoke damage. The homeless man sustained second degree burns to his feet. He sought his own medical care. "He waved down an M-21 passerby who then called in the fire department," Hinton explained. Responding to the fire were Lowell Police, the Rockford/Lowell Rescue, Ada Fire Department and the Kentwood Fire Department (for their rig used to fill up air tanks). Fire officials were at the scene for three hours. Picture Courtesy Steve Noall.

CROP Walk Sunday

The 8th annual CROP Walk will start at the First United Methodist Church this Sunday, May 5 at 1 p.m. If you still need your walking papers or would like to sponsor someone, please call 897-5936.

OBITUARIES

DE LIEFDE - Jacob De Liefde, aged 94, of Lowell, passed away April 23, 2002. He was preceded in death by his wife Wilhelmina (Miep). Mr. De Liefde is survived by his daughters Connie (Don) Reedy, Recella (Ted) Hudson all of Lowell;

grandchildren Don Jr. and Amy, Tom, Jack and Angie, Michael; eight great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter. Funeral services were held Thursday at Roth-Gerst Chapel, Major Douglas Rowland officiating. Interment Kent Memorial Gardens. Memorial contributions may be made to Salvation Army.

Mercy, 513 E. 8th St., Holland, MI 49423.

PITSCH - Norman Albert Pitsch, aged 92, of Alto, passed away April 24, 2002. He was preceded in death by his wife Helen. Mr. Pitsch is survived by his children Albert Pitsch of Palm Springs, CA, Joyce (Floyd) Curtis of Sparta, Ardis Fitzgerald of Jenison, Sylvia Winright of White Cloud; sister Louise (Louis) Rich of Grand Rapids; grandchildren; great-grandchildren; great-great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Pastor Roger LaWarre of the First Congregational Church of Lowell, officiating. Interment Bowne Center Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Michigan.

STROUSE - Ronald A. Strouse, aged 33, of Lowell, passed away suddenly on April 27, 2002 of accidental injuries. He is survived by his parents Mr. and Mrs. DeWaine Strouse of Lowell; daughter Bailey E. Strouse at home; two brothers Robert (Rebecca) Strouse of Saranac,

Mark (Lisa) Strouse of Lowell; two sisters Carol (Howard) Burton of Lowell, Leanne (Kenneth) Dysard of Lowell; and special friend Tom Smith of Lowell. Also surviving are two nieces and four nephews. Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, May 1 at 11 a.m. at the Galilee Baptist Church in Saranac with Rev. James Frank officiating. Interment South Boston Cemetery. Anyone wishing may make contributions to the Sphero Cytosis Anemia Foundation.

Looking for Queen Contestants

The 2002 Ionia Fair is seeking Queen contestants to represent the fair at various events throughout mid-Michigan. Applicants should be 17 years of age or older and at least a high school junior by July.

The queen, first runner-up and three court members will be selected on June 23 at the Ionia Movie Theatre and will be crowned following the Ionia Fair Parade on the E Park Stage July 18. They will represent the fair until selection of a new court and queen in 2003.

Interested applicants may contact the Ionia Fair Administration office Monday - Friday from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. or call 527-1310 and have it mailed or faxed.

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Reflections

Of Faith

Rev. Bill Renkema
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Life is full of worry, the worry of a man who has been diagnosed with cancer, the worry of a woman whose marriage is falling apart, the worry of a long-time employee recently laid off, the worries associated with death. The Lord asks us, "Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?" and "Do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own" (Matthew 6:27,34).

If you have ever had anything really worrisome happen to you, you know how difficult these words of Christ can be. Does He really mean that Christians are not to worry, ever? If that is the case, not very many of us are good Christians.

I think that Jesus means the kind of worry a person who has no faith may suffer, the kind of worry that is not surrounded by the comfort of knowing that we rest in the arms of a Father who cares for us, the kind of worry that immobilizes, paralyzes because we are unable to trust God completely.

In the same passage in Matthew 6, Jesus gives us an alternative to worry. Rather than being paralyzed by worry, we are to "seek first

His kingdom and His righteousness" (Matthew 6:33). As we seek first God's kingdom and righteousness in our own lives, we find that God meets our every need.

Worry turns us inward. We think of ourselves, our future, our wants. Seeking first God's kingdom and righteousness turns us outward. We think of God, His kingdom, His righteousness. As we seek God we find that in every difficult situation there is a purpose. That purpose is to continue to seek God who rules all things and to do His righteous will, whether or not we have cancer, whether or not our marriage is falling apart, whether or not we lose our job, whether or not we have come face to face with death.

Worry drives Christians to their knees in submission. Worry compels Christians to seek the signs of God's kingdom and righteousness in every moment. Worry, for Christians, is the soil in which true faith in God develops. Worry then is transformed into seeking. Rather than worrying about tomorrow, we go into tomorrow, eagerly seeking God.

Writing is nothing more than a guided dream.
—Jorge Luis Borges

RV Ordinance tabled until May 13 special meeting

By J.N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer

Like a distant relative you want to send packing, the recreational vehicle ordinance has once again parked itself in the driveway of the Lowell Planning Commission's house.

The Lowell City Council sent the ordinance back to the planning commission this month, rejecting the commission's proposal that the ordinance be left as is. It was also suggested by the commission that the city council present ideas on how the ordinance should be enforced.

City manager, David Pasquale said, from what he understood, the council wishes the planning commission to author any changes to the ordinance - the council did not want to be writing ordinances, since that was the job of the planning commission.

But where to go from here was an issue the planning commission decided could wait until another evening. The commission unanimously voted to table the RV ordinance matter until May 13 at 7 p.m. for a special meeting at the City Hall.

The RV ordinance came under fire when the city hired a code enforcer to write letters to residents if they were in violation of the ordinance by parking their recreation vehicles (boats, motorhomes, jet skis, and snowmobiles) on their front lawns.

Several residents came out to voice their anger over suddenly being written up for an ordinance they didn't know was on the books. That led to the formation of a citizen's group to make recommendations on changes to the ordinance. The planning commission reviewed the suggested changes and came up with a proposed ordinance in March. At the March meeting, when commission member, John VanderWilp asked how many complaints had been phoned in, city clerk, Betty Morlock said none at that time. And since the March meeting,

Morlock said she has received only one phone call.

The commission is decidedly split on what to do with the RV ordinance.

"There was a time in Lowell when you could have outside toilets," said planning commission chair, Jim Hall. "Then things changed. You could have chickens. Then things changed. This may be the time when this has to change."

Hall believes the city needs to take a strong stance on what needs to be done, pointing out that the city has taken some hard knocks over issues.

"We have worked hard to promote our downtown businesses, to bring new people to the area, and to sell houses," he said. "It is not easy when you have trailers and stuff sitting around."

Hall said he was not supportive of the current method of enforcement since it relied on "neighbors turning against neighbors."

Commission member, Daniel Pipe said Lowell can't be the only city with this type of ordinance on the books.

"When I was a kid, my dad wanted a boat," Pipe said. "He couldn't place it outside, so he figured out a way to hang it up in the garage."

The commission could either do nothing or do something, several of the commissioners acknowledged. Commission member, Al Mathews said he thought the ordinance proposed last month was a workable one that the commission could hammer out.

The proposed ordinance dealt with the issue of how long a recreational vehicle would be allowed on a person's property and the storage of such a vehicle.

Council members and residents interested in the RV ordinance are being encouraged to attend the meeting next month, which the commission hopes will eventually lead to the ordinance finally taking that drive into the sunset.

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MAY 3: Wilma Roudabush, Melissa Merriman, Mimi Mitchell.
MAY 4: John Borton, David Rhodes, Jerre Sue Smith.
MAY 5: Kevin Vezino, Kerry Vezino, Brenda Erickson, Robert Dalziel, Scott Carpenter.
MAY 7: John Schalow, LeAnn VanDyke, Duane Rasch.
MAY 8: Rhoda Greenman-Batt, Rhonda Timmers, Mary Mooney, F.J. Johnson Jr.

LMS Meade receives service award

The United States Achievement Academy announced that **Megan V. Meade**, who attends Lowell Middle School, has been recognized for her achievement as a National Leadership and Service Award winner.

Meade is the daughter of Dennis and Lynn Meade of Lowell.

The USAA National Awards provide students with many benefits and services and is a great tribute to a student's dedication, talent and ability.

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—Anatole France

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Viewpoint . . .



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

125 YEARS THE WEEKLY JOURNAL
MAY 2, 1877

Dr. Malcolm and J.E. Lee are planting shade trees in front of their residences.

The Ionia School Board now requires resident pupils over 20 years of age to pay tuition the same as non-residents.

"Red Ribbon" (temperance) clubs are springing up all over the area, with large numbers of members.

The war between Russia and Turkey has people confounded by the unpronounceable place names.

J. Howard Smith M.D writes a long column on narcotics, chiefly alcohol, its history and affects.

100 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER
MAY 1, 1902

No missing Ledgers this week! However, the front page carries four columns of ads and two of news.

The Village Council clears the air, that it is not pro-saloon and will enforce all laws.

The annual High School Literary contest goes on despite Prof. Thomas' illness, the school orchestra canceling out, a broken lamp and a member of the audience fainting. The Olympics defeat the Adelphics in a program of recitation, oration, essay and debate.

Village Marshal Hand warns that injuring or destroying or committing nuisance on the islands is illegal and will be dealt with.

Last weekend's storm, the worst in years, sent several ships on the Great Lakes to the bottom; details unknown as the telegraph wires are still down.

75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER
AND THE ALTO SOLO MAY 5, 1927

Two persons are bitten by rabid dogs and are in Ann Arbor for treatment. A dog quarantine (leash or muzzle) is in effect for the next 90 days in Lowell.

The senior play, a comedy called "Wedding Bells" will be performed twice next week at City Hall.

Dr. Cora A. Moon is appointed by the state welfare

commission as the new county agent.

The Lowell Independent base ball team won its first game, over the Grand Rapids Mystic Workers. The Lowell team hires no players and is entirely from Lowell, contrary to some team practices.

"A simple luncheon is composed of soup, meat dish, two vegetables, sweet dish and hot beverage."

50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER
MAY 1, 1952

C.H. Runciman and his wife are on vacation, and Runci says, "Did you know you simply can't eat a nickel's worth of beans at a sitting."

The new polio information leaflets are out, suggesting precautions parents can take during the coming polio season.

Detection of anthrax in a few cows in Michigan raises fears for the dairy industry, as the disease spreads so readily.

The Lowell Women's Bowling Association has a successful season, with 10 of its 16 teams entered in the state tournament.

Richards Park improvements were stated a bit prematurely last week. The trees and old bandstand are still lying where they were pushed over. The Park Commission assures completion soon.

25 YEARS THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER
MAY 5, 1977

A new Building and Site Fund is added to the city budget for the eventual construction of a public works garage.

Businessmen, Rotarians and other volunteers are forming a Welcoming Committee for the Lowell School area. Please let them know who's moving in.

Reedy Realty purchases Transue Realty of Grand Rapids and Hastings. The home office stays in Lowell.

The West Central Michigan Historical Society will open the Fallsburg Schoolhouse three days this summer and will sponsor the Fallsburg Fall Festival Oct. 1 and 2.

A group of residents is interested in forming a Lowell Area Arts Council. First meeting will be at the home of artist Joe Kinnebrew on Beckwith Drive.

Financial Focus
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HELP BOOST YOUR INCOME - EVEN WHEN INTEREST RATES FALL

If you depend on your investments to provide some of your income, you've probably been concerned about falling interest rates over the past couple of years. In fact, rates are now as low as they've been in 14 years - so what's an investor to do?

Actually, you have some pretty good choices. For example, you may want to build a "bond ladder" by investing in bonds with different maturities. You also may want to consider investing in high-quality stocks and mutual funds that have consistently increased dividends.

Let's take a look at both these techniques: **Building a "bond ladder"** - If all your bonds mature at the same time, you could be at a disadvantage if market interest rates are low. Where will you put your money to gain a reasonable income stream? One possibility is to create a bond ladder. By owning a group of bonds that mature at different times, you can help protect yourself from the effects of fluctuating interest rates. If rates are low when some of the bonds in your ladder mature, you'll still have some higher-yielding "rungs" working for you. And when rates are high, you can obviously reinvest your bond proceeds at a more favorable rate.

Buying stocks and mutual funds that consistently increase dividends - Years ago, stocks generally paid out more dividends than they do today. Now, many companies prefer to reinvest profits into their business, with the hope of becoming more competitive and, ultimately, increasing their share price. And yet, dividends have not disappeared. Over time, if you invest in a company that has steadily increased its dividends, and it continues to do so in the future, you can potentially boost your income. Of course, you must find those types of stocks, as well as those mutual funds that invest in dividend-paying stocks. You can find dividend producers in almost all market sectors. If you're interested in a particular stock, and you wonder what dividends it pays out, look in the company's annual report. If you're looking at mutual funds, try to find ones in the "growth-and-income" category.

Be aware, though, that equities and equity-based mutual funds are subject to market risk, including the potential loss of principal. Above all else, look for quality. Remember, you're not seeking dividends for a one-time payment - you want to increase your flow of income for years to come. That's why you'll want to invest in only the highest-quality stocks and mutual funds.

These are the types of investments that have continued to raise their dividends over time. A financial professional can help you find those stocks and funds that have good dividend-paying prospects - but keep in mind that these investments do not offer a fixed rate of return and may not distribute dividends in the future. As you move closer to retirement, it may become more and more important for you to increase your investment income.

Also, inflation can have a big effect on your retirement income. If you retire at 65 and live another 20 years, then, even at a modest inflation rate of 3 percent, your cost of living will nearly double. Consequently, you need to make sure your investment income outpaces inflation. So, give some thought to bond ladders and dividend-producing stocks and mutual funds. They can make a big difference to your financial situation.

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

LIPOMAS

Lipomas may grow anywhere, but are most commonly found on the neck, shoulders, back or arms. They are non-tender and not associated with pain unless they are squeezed or bruised. While lipomas can occur at any age, they most often appear between the ages of 40 and 60.

If you notice any new lump, it is always advisable to have your physician examine it. If the likely diagnosis is a lipoma, the decision to remove it depends on several things:

- location
- size
- any associated discomfort
- cosmetic concerns

We generally believe that unless any of the above are a great concern to the patient, the lipoma simply be left alone. Since lipomas never lead to cancer or any other threatening medical problems, surgical removal should be reserved only for cases of increasing size, pain, or cosmetic concerns. If you develop a lump anywhere, we suggest you have your family physician evaluate it.

Lipomas, also known as fatty tumors, are benign (non-cancerous) slow-growing tumors that come from fat cells. Patients generally notice them as round, moveable, flattened lumps under the skin. They usually feel soft and rubbery.

Sharing The Vision
PETER L. GUSTAFSON
Board of Education President

It has been said that a good volunteer is one who does a lot for little. Last Friday evening, the Lowell Area Schools presented its annual Marsha Wilcox Community Service Award to Tammy Beatson as part of the Spirit of Community Celebration reported on in this issue of the Ledger. For those of you unable to attend, let me expand a little on the reasons Tammy received this award, because her efforts mean a lot to the school district.

Since the events of last September, we have all come to realize that true heroes are those who go about the task of unselfishly helping others, without fanfare and without expectation of personal gain. Tammy is just such a person - a tireless and highly appreciated volunteer in our school district for many years. She was nominated by one of our fine Alto teachers, Diane Hammerman, whose daughter Tracy (herself a young teacher) gave a moving account of Friday night of the importance of Tammy's volunteer assistance to the success of the reading program in Diane's classroom, particularly for students needing a special boost. A dedicated wife and mother to her husband Mark, and her children Trina and Scott, she is active in the Humane Society and other community affairs, and is one of the few citizens who regularly attends school board meetings to keep up with important events in the district.

Tammy's name will be added to the other recipients of our annual award in the Board Room of the district. Her plaque reads as follows: "For steadfast commitment tutoring young readers; for sensitivity and sincerity helping at risk readers; for thousands of hours devoted to the Alto and Middle School media centers; for faithfully nurturing creative minds through OM coaching and the Wings program. For your modest and unassuming manner in serving our educational system with an unflinching demonstration of the volunteer spirit."

Like many others who are committed to the betterment of those around them, Tammy exemplifies the "Spirit of Community" that was celebrated on Friday night. Incidentally, the annual Celebration - now in its second year - is a wonderful event. Plan to attend next year if you can.

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OUTDOORS

By Dave Stegehuis



The strange weather this winter limited the ability to ice fish, ski, or do anything else that required cold temperatures and deep snow. Consequently, during the last several months there seemed to be plenty of time to accomplish what needed to be done. Lately, however, the to-do list has expanded to where it is necessary to set priorities to cover all the bases. The list could include cutting firewood for next winter, spring yard work, and home repairs, but let's cut right to the important stuff.

Turkey hunting began last week for those who were lucky in the draw. A series of separate seasons will continue until the end of May. Check the turkey hunting guide for management units and dates. If you plan to hunt, spend some time scouting your area.

Steelhead runs have drawn anglers to the Grand, Rogue, Prairie, and Flat rivers. It is hard to resist the opportunity to do battle with one of those big silver torpedoes. The streams just

below dams will draw a multitude of fishermen, so it may pay to explore out-of-the-way stretches of water.

Morel mushrooms should be poking up through the sun-warmed earth anytime now. Weather has everything to do with mushroom hunting success. Rain and warm nights will bring them on—keep looking.

Trout season opened on April 27. Opening day usually brings out plenty of fishermen, but the crowds disappear shortly after the opener. A few brook trout and a batch of morels would make fine table fare. It will take some effort to put it together, but the results are worth it.

Sunny days should warm the shallows in Lake Michigan enough to draw in bait fish that attract football-shaped brown trout. Stick baits on planer boards pulled close to the beach can provide good action on the right day. Chasing browns up and down the big lake coastline is a good opportunity to begin the new travel season.

Walleye season began in the Lower Peninsula the last Saturday in April. Anglers will be found on inland lakes and rivers where the fish should be hungry after spawning. May 15 marks the opener for walleye in the Upper Peninsula. The idea is to get in some serious fishing before the fish gorge on mayflies in June. Weather in the north country can be a challenge, so be prepared. Live bait rigs, crank baits, and spinners will entice walleye bites under the right conditions.

Smelt runs have been down in recent years, but net dipping for the delicious little fish will be on the calendar for many sportsmen. As warm water triggers spawning runs, streams like the Carp and Nunns in the Upper Peninsula and the

AuGres in the lower will host crowds of hopeful dippers.

Finally, applications for the fall bear hunting season must be completed between April 15 and May 15. It would be easy to overlook fall hunting preparations this time of the year.

After a slow start to the new year, everything seems to be happening at the same time. Better get busy. We sure have it rough in Michigan.

City raises amount of support for North Kent Transit Service

By J.N. Boorsma Contributing Writer

The good news is: Many Lowell residents are taking advantage of the North Kent Transit Service for rides to appointments in the Grand Rapids' area. The bad news is: It's going to cost the city more money to keep the program within its borders.

But for the Lowell City Council, there was no question about supporting a service that has been such a positive force for its residents.

"We do have quite a few riders," said councilmember, Mike Blough. "It seems like a creditable program and it is getting a lot of use and a lot of riders."

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Habitat-conscious scouts plant trees

In an attempt to provide community service and improve our habitat, the Alto Cub Scout Pack 3180 planted 200 trees at Stoney Creekside Park on April 20.

The seedlings were donated by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. The DNR obtained the seedlings through the National Tree Trust in Washington D.C.

The Alto Girl Scout Troop will be planting another 200 trees with the next few weeks. For a few years now, the DNR

has had a program established that offers free trees to non-profit associations willing to plant the trees on non-private land. The applications for this program are sent out in the fall by the DNR.

One acre of forest absorbs six tons of carbon dioxide and puts out four tons of oxygen. This is enough to meet the needs of 18 people, as indicated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

There are about 60 to 299 million spaces along our city streets where trees could be

planted. This translates to potentially absorbing 33 million more tons of CO2 every year, and saving \$4 billion in energy costs, according to the National Wildlife Federation.



Pictured above, back row, left to right: Denny Blough, Diane Maliepaard, Tom Plummer, Nancy French, Jeff Waltz, Dan Blanton, Bob Sterzick, Mike Kapteyn, Jeff Depew, Paul Benson and Todd VerWys; front row, left to right: Will Plummer, Brandon Blough, Greg Blanton, Jacob Sterzick, Zach French, Jeff Waltz, Asher Maliepaard, Max Forton, Josh Depew, Kevin Kapteyn, Matthew Misak, James Dilling, Wade Schlosser, Collin VerWys and Chris Benson.



Pictured, left: Tom Plummer, Will Plummer, Wade Schlosser, Matthew Misak, Brandon Blough, Denny Blough, Jacob Sterzick, Bob Sterzick, Greg Blanton and Dan Blanton help plant 200 trees.

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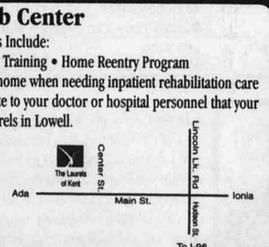
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ALUMNI DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE

There are still some Lowell High School alumni directo-

ries 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.

BAG IT UP DONATION DRIVE

Cherry Creek Elementary will be sponsoring the Good-will "Bag It Up" donation drive May 6 - May 10. This is a good time to recycle all those things in your basement, closets and attics. Donations may be dropped off at the Cherry Creek parking lot throughout the week.

ORIENTATION FOR PARENTS

Orientation for parents of second graders entering Cherry Creek Elementary in the fall of 2002 will be held Tuesday, May 7 from 6-7 p.m. in the CCE cafeteria. Refreshments will be served.

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.

LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS BOARD CANDIDATE FORUM

There will be a board candidate forum for candidates running for the upcoming school board election on May 23 from 7 - 8:30 p.m. in the administration building board room at 300 High St. Candidates are Peter Haefner, Patrick Nugent and James Van Buren. The public is invited to attend.

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.

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actly what the developer, Sundry Development had proposed. Aaron Catlin, of Fleis and Vandenberg Engineering, Inc., hired by Sundry for the development project, said the group was interested in having the property changed to an R-1 Planned Unit Development, giving the city the control it wanted in capping the number of houses to be developed on the land.

"We want to create a hybrid of the suburban residential and the R-1 district," Catlin said, adding that the group is ready to get input from residents, commission members and council members on what the final outlay of the project should be.

Because a PUD and rezoning the property to R-1 are two separate issues, the planning commission decided to address one at a time. Since the commission can't put a condition on zoning and since the zoning would stay with the property regardless if the PUD project were ever to be completed, the commission opted to move forward on the rezoning request by

setting a public hearing for May 28. This also gives the planning commission time to review the city's PUD requirements to make a determination on that issue. According to city manager, David Pasquale, a PUD does not need a public hearing to be approved.

"Our only concern is that the council may not approve the R-1 zoning without the PUD with it," Catlin said. Earlier this year, the Lowell City Council unanimously rejected a planning commission's recommendation to rezone the parcel along with adjacent land to R-1. The council wanted a more detailed plan and raised concerns about the density on the property since the surrounding area is mostly suburban residential - homes which are at least 1,500 square feet on 35,000-square foot lot sizes.

Since February, Sundry has been working with the commission to come up a plan the city could agree with.

"This is the best plan they have had so far," said commission member, Elizabeth "B.J." Thompson; commission member, Clark Jahnke added, "It's a step in the right direction."

The commission was looking at a new proposal that addressed the project in two phases. The first phase, which is primarily the Leeman property on the north end of the parcel, would have about nine homes with a private drive connected to Grindle. The issues on the first phase are that the private drive exceeds the maximum length for a roadway by about 460 feet. The maximum length is 800 feet. Also six of the parcels do not meet the minimum lot requirement of 165 feet. These homes are scheduled to be developed at 1,500 square feet. Pasquale said Sundry could seek variances on the two issues of road length and lot requirement or wrap it in under the PUD.

The Leeman property would have 51 homes and would need to be zoned R-1 to accommodate the number of homes, Pasquale said. These homes would be built to 1,200 square feet.

Catlin said what the planning commission currently has before it is only a preliminary plan and the group has not come up with a final drawing that would best suit the property. Sundry representatives said they tried to incorporate as many concerns from the neighbors and city officials as possible. This included incorporating the wetlands area and limiting the number of houses that would exit on Grindle.

The new plan was enough for the commission to start the process over with Sundry on the issue of rezoning the property. The only objection came from planning commission member, Al Mathews who has voiced his opposition to the development since its inception.

A location for the meeting will be announced at a later date.

Doyle steps down

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Stating "it's been a good run," Charlie Doyle announced he will not seek reappointment to the Lowell Light & Power/Cable TV Board.

Doyle was appointed in February of 1993 to take the place of the late Ray Quada.

"I've served long enough. It's time for someone younger with new ideas to serve," Doyle explained.

Replacing Doyle will be former Lowell mayor and city councilman, Bill Thompson.

"Bill will bring a new perspective and new ideas to the board," said Lowell Light & Power/Cable Television superintendent, Tom Richards. "Bill also has a great concern for this community."

Doyle's third and final term will officially end June 30th. "I didn't plan to stay this long," Doyle said. "I think things are going well. We have a pretty darn good superintendent (Richards).

Richards noted that Doyle provided a good perspective and was very interested in LL&P and Lowell Cable.

The LL&P and Cable Television Board is comprised of three members. Beginning in July, they will be Norm Borgerson, Dave Austin and Bill Thompson.

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hand to classroom teachers and the media center as well as volunteers at the Humane Society; she is also a former coach of the Odyssey of the Mind.

"My youngest has been out of Alto Elementary for two years; I just haven't been able to give up helping at the reading center and the kids. I love it," Beaton explained.

In other awards, the Lowell Area Education Foundation honored Norma Lane, Margaret Hoats, Bruce and Margaret McMahon and Pinky McPherson with Tribute Tree leaves.

Kathy Cole, of Lowell Area Schools; Liz Baker, of Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce; and Thad Kraus, of The Lowell Ledger, presented plaques to the Character in Action recipients.

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 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash, S.E.
 The Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses has made application for a variance from Section 4.1.2. to allow for less than the minimum net building area requirement of six acres for property located at 2615 Segwun Avenue (PP# 41-20-11-376-013).
 Written comments should be received by Tuesday, May 7, 2002 and can be mailed to: Lowell Charter Township, Attn: Zoning Board of Appeals, 2910 Alden Nash S.E., Lowell, MI 49331.
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EVERY MONTH: The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse (11841 Potters Rd.) east of Montcalm Ave. For dates and times call 897-5015. Guests are welcome.

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

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

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 & 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 THE 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.

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.

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

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

TUES., WED, THURS.: Ionia County Literacy Council, free help with learning English: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at SS Peter & Paul Catholic School, High St., Ionia. Call 527-2345 or 897-7020.

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

1ST TUES.: WINGS Parent Group meetings 7:30 to 9 p.m., in Board Room at 300 High St. Business meetings/odd months; program meetings/even months. Open to all.

EVERY SECOND & FOURTH TUES.: Knights of Columbus #7719 meets St. Mary School, 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

EVERY FOURTH WED.: Support group for Peripheral neuropathy meets at 4 p.m. at St. Paul's Anglican Church, 2560 Lake Michigan Dr. 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 MusicMakers 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.

THURS., MAY 2: Vergennes Cooperative Club at 1 p.m. at Schneider Manor. Bring items for Flat River Outreach Ministries Food Panty. Program: Lynn Green talks about her trip to Romania.

SAT., MAY 4: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Family Day at Wittenbach Center. Call Tammy 987-1002.

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

TUES., MAY 7: Orientation for parents of 2nd graders entering Cherry Creek Elem. in the fall. 6-7 p.m. in the CCE cafeteria.

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.

THURS., MAY 23: Lowell School Board candidate forum from 7-8:30 p.m. in administration building board room at 300 High St. Public is invited to attend.

 Good people are good because they've come to wisdom through failure.
 -William Saroyan

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES
LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR 897-5949
MON.: 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall.
TUES.: 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall; 10:40 Armchair Exercise.
WED.: 12:30 Shop at Family fare.
THURS.: 9 a.m. Walk/Shop at the Malls; 9:30 a.m. Crafts; 1 p.m. Euchre.
FRI.: 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall.
SPECIAL EVENTS
WED., MAY 1: 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland; 9:30 Blood Pressure; 12:40 Shop Family Fare; 6 p.m. Opera, "Tosca."
THURS., MAY 2: 12:00 Dance at West Side Complex.
FRI., MAY 3: 12:40 p.m. Holland sight-seeing.
MON., MAY 6: 12:45 George Lessens; 12:40 Shop Family Fare.
TUES., MAY 7: 12:00 Forest Hills Senior Center.
WED., MAY 8: 8 a.m. Co-ed breakfast; 10:45 Nails by Sharon; Noon: Movie.
THURS., MAY 9: Noon: Lunch and shop at "Cafe in the Woods"
FRI., MAY 10: 12:40 p.m. Tour St. Adelbert's Basilica in G.R.F.
MON., MAY 13: 12:45 Travelogue; Cribbage.
WED., MAY 15: 10 a.m. Advisory Council.
THURS., MAY 16: Noon Dance at West Side Complex.
FRI., MAY 17: 8 a.m. Midland Dow Gardens.
MON., MAY 20: 12:40 WalMart, Dollar Store.

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF LOWELL
KENT COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

Ordinance No. 02 - 2

At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lowell, Kent County, Michigan, held in the City Hall in said City on Monday, April 8, 2002, at 7:30 p.m., local time.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Blough, Brubaker, Myers, Pfaller and Mayor Shores.

ABSENT: Councilmembers none.

Councilmember Brubaker, supported by Councilmember Pfaller, moved the adoption of the following ordinance:

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF LOWELL
KENT COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

Ordinance No. 02 - 2

ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2002 BY THE CITY OF LOWELL PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ACT 94 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF MICHIGAN OF 1933, AS AMENDED, FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING THE OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE CITY OF LOWELL WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 1976, WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 1993 AND WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 1994 (COLLECTIVELY, THE "PRIOR BONDS"); TO PROVIDE FOR THE REFUNDING OF THE PRIOR BONDS; TO PRESCRIBE THE FORM OF REFUNDING BONDS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF REVENUES FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE REFUNDING BONDS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT AND SECURITY OF SAID REFUNDING BONDS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE RIGHTS OF THE HOLDERS OF SAID REFUNDING BONDS IN ENFORCEMENT THEREOF AND OTHER MATTERS RELATIVE TO SAID REFUNDING BONDS

WHEREAS, the City of Lowell (the "City") by Ordinance No. 82 adopted by the City Council on January 5, 1976 has heretofore issued and sold Water Supply System Revenue Bonds, Series 1976 (the "1976 Bonds") dated June 30, 1976, in the aggregate principal sum of One Million Three Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$1,310,000); by Ordinance No. 93-5 adopted by the City Council on May 3, 1993, has heretofore issued and sold Water Supply System Revenue Bonds, Series 1993 (the "1993 Bonds") dated June 1, 1993, in the aggregate principal sum of Five Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$525,000); and by Ordinance No. 94-2 adopted by the City Council on March 7, 1994, has heretofore issued and sold Water Revenue Bonds, Series 1994 (the "1994 Bonds") dated March 1, 1994, in the aggregate principal sum of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) pursuant to the provisions of the Revenue Bond Act, Act 94 of the Public Acts of 1933, as amended ("Act 94"); and

WHEREAS, the 1976 Bonds have a current outstanding principal amount of Seven Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$755,000), the 1993 Bonds have a current outstanding principal amount of Four Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$435,000) and the 1994 Bonds have a current outstanding principal amount of One Million One Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Dollars (\$1,195,000) (collectively, the "Prior Bonds"); and **WHEREAS**, the proceeds of the 1976 Bonds, 1993 Bonds and 1994 Bonds were used to acquire, construct, improve and expand a public water supply system (the "Water System"); and

WHEREAS, since the issuance and sale of the 1976 Bonds, the 1993 Bonds and the 1994 Bonds the interest rate on tax-exempt municipal bonds has declined significantly so that it is now in the best interest of the City to issue and sell refunding bonds (the "Refunding Bonds") at a lower interest rate to be used to currently and/or advance refund the outstanding maturities of the (a) 1976 Bonds, i.e., the \$755,000 1976 Bonds maturing on and after January 1, 2003, and to be redeemed on July 1, 2002, (b) 1993 Bonds, i.e., the \$435,000 1993 Bonds maturing on and after June 1, 2002, and maturing June 1, 2003, and (c) 1994 Bonds, i.e., \$1,195,000 1994 Bonds maturing on and after March 1, 2003, and to be redeemed July 1, 2002 (collectively, the "Refunded Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, the 1976 Ordinance related to the 1976 Bonds contains a restrictive covenant related to the issuance of additional bonds for the Water System which the City desires to modify; and

WHEREAS, the City proposes, in accordance with the authorization contained in Act 94, to provide at this time for the issuance of the Refunding Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed Two Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$2,750,000) the process of which together with other funds to be contributed by the City will be used to refund the Refunded

Bonds; and

WHEREAS, all things necessary to the authorization and issuance of the Refunding Bonds under the provisions of the constitution and laws of the State of Michigan, including Act 94, have been done, and the City is now empowered and desires to authorize the issuance of such Refunding Bonds.

THE CITY OF LOWELL ORDAINS:

Section 1. Definitions. Whenever used in this Ordinance or in the bonds to be issued hereunder, except when otherwise indicated by context, the following definitions shall apply:

"1976 Bonds" mean the \$1,310,000 City of Lowell Water Supply System Revenue Bonds, Series 1976 dated June 30, 1976, and issued pursuant to Act 94 and the 1976 Ordinance.

"1993 Bonds" mean the \$525,000 City of Lowell Water Supply System Revenue Bonds, Series 1993 dated June 1, 1993, and issued pursuant to Act 94 and the 1993 Ordinance.

"1994 Bonds" mean the \$1,500,000 City of Lowell Water Revenue Bonds, Series 1994 dated March 1, 1994, and issued pursuant to Act 94 and the 1994 Ordinance.

"1976 Ordinance" means Ordinance No. 82 adopted by the City Council on January 5, 1976, authorizing the issuance and sale of the 1976 Bonds.

"1993 Ordinance" means Ordinance No. 93-5 adopted by the City Council on May 3, 1993, authorizing the issuance of the 1993 Bonds.

"1994 Ordinance" means Ordinance No. 94-2 adopted by the City Council on March 7, 1994, authorizing the issuance of the 1994 Bonds.

"Act 94" means the Revenue Bond Act, Act 94 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1933, as amended.

"Bond Registrar/Paying Agent" means Fifth Third Bank, Michigan, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

"City" means the City of Lowell, Kent County, Michigan.

"City Council" means the Council of the City, the legislative and governing body thereof.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

"Escrow Agent" means Fifth Third Bank, Michigan, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

"Project" means the acquisition, construction, improvement and expansions of the Water System.

"Refunded Bonds" mean the \$775,000 1976 Bonds maturing on and after January 1, 2003, and to be redeemed on July 1, 2002, the \$435,000 1993 Bonds maturing on and after June 1, 2002 and to mature June 1, 2003, and the \$1,195,000 1994 Bonds maturing on and after March 1, 2003, and to be redeemed July 1, 2002.

"Refunding Bonds" means the City of Lowell Water Supply System Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2002 authorized and issued pursuant to Act 94 and this Ordinance.

"Water System" means the complete water supply system of the City, including wells, storage facilities, pumping facilities, transmission lines and all appurtenances thereto now owned by the City, and all extensions and improvements thereto hereafter made.

Section 2. Refunding the Refunded Bonds. The City hereby determines to refund the Refunded Bonds.

Section 3. Estimated Period of Usefulness. The estimated remaining period of usefulness of the Project is determined to be in excess of seventeen (17) years.

Section 4. Principal Amount of Refunding Bonds. The amount of principal required to refund, along with other funds to be provided by the City and money in debt service reserve funds related to the Refunded Bonds, the Refunded Bonds and to fund a debt service reserve fund and to pay the cost of issuing the Refunding Bonds is estimated to be an amount not to exceed Two Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$2,750,000); the actual amount is dependent on the interest rate of the Refunding Bonds at sale.

Section 5. Issuance of Refunding Bonds. The City shall borrow an amount not to exceed Two Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$2,750,000) and issue its Refunding Bonds for the purpose, along with other funds to be provided by the City and money in debt service reserve funds related to the Refunded Bonds, of refunding the Refunded Bonds, including the payment of applicable redemption premiums, funding a debt service reserve fund and paying the cost of issuing the Refunding Bonds. The Refunding Bonds shall not be general obligations of the City, but revenue bonds payable out of the net revenues of the Water System after provisions have been made for the payment of the reasonable expenses of administration, operation and maintenance of the Water System and a first lien upon such net revenues is hereby granted to the holders of the Refunding Bonds on a parity with any additional bonds which may be issued pursuant to this Ordinance and Act 94.

Section 6. Designation of Refunding Bonds. The Refunding Bonds shall be designated the "Water Supply System Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2002."

Section 7. Bond Terms. The Refunding Bonds shall be issued in fully registered form without coupons as serial and/or term bonds and substantially in the form set forth in Section 14 hereof. The average net interest rate on the Refunding Bonds shall not exceed six percent (6.00%) per annum. The Refunding Bonds shall have maturities not exceeding seventeen (17) years and may have an optional redemption premium or premiums not exceeding two percent (2.0%) of the principal amount of any Refunding Bonds to be redeemed. The Underwriter's discount on the Refunding Bonds shall not exceed one and one-half percent (1.50%) of the principal amount thereof and the Refunding Bonds may have a composite original issue discount not exceeding three percent (3.00%). Pursuant to the provisions of Subsection 7a(1)(c) of Act 94 and within the limitations of applicable law and this Ordinance (including specifically this Section 7), the City Manager of the City is hereby authorized to do those things permitted in such subsection with respect to the Refunding Bonds, including approving the principal amount, maturities, interest payment dates, interest rates, discounts, optional or mandatory redemption, the place of delivery and payment and other matters and procedures necessary to complete the issuance and sale of the Refunding Bonds as permitted by law.

Section 8. Notice of Optional and Mandatory Redemption. If less than all of the Refunding Bonds of a certain maturity shall be subject to optional or mandatory redemption, the Bonds of such maturity to be redeemed shall be determined by lot.

Notice of the call of any Refunding Bonds subject to optional or mandatory redemption shall be given by first-class mail by the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption, to the registered owners of record of the Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed, at the address shown on the registration books of the City kept by the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent; provided, however, that failure to give such notice by mail, or any defect in the notice mailed to the owner of any Refunding Bonds, shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any other Refunding Bonds. The notice of redemption shall specify the Refunding Bonds to be redeemed, the redemption date and the place or places where amounts due upon such redemption will be payable and, if less than all of the Refunding Bonds are to be redeemed, the numbers of such Refunding Bonds to be so redeemed, and, in the case of Refunding Bonds to be redeemed in part only, such notice shall also specify the respective portions of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed. Refunding Bonds so called for redemption shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption, whether presented for redemption or not, provided funds are on hand with the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent to redeem said Refunding Bonds.

Section 9. Payment of Bonds and Record Date. The principal of the Refunding Bonds shall be payable by the City to the holders thereof in lawful money of the United States of America upon delivery and surrender of the Bonds at the designated office of the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent. Interest on the Refunding Bonds shall be paid when due by check or draft by the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent by first class mail to the registered owners thereof at the addresses shown on the registration books of the City kept by the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent as of the close of business on the fifteenth (15th) day of the month preceding the month a payment of interest on the Refunding Bonds is due, provided, however, that if such day is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday in the State of Michigan (the "State"), then to the registered owners at the addresses shown on the registration books as of the close of business on the day next preceding such fifteenth (15th) day of the month which is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday in the State (the "Record Date").

Section 10. Denomination and Numbering. The Refunding Bonds shall be issued in the denomination of \$5,000 or any multiple thereof within a single maturity, not exceeding the principal amount of the Refunding Bonds maturing in such year. Each Refunding Bond shall be numbered by the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent in such a fashion as to reflect the fact that it is one of the Refunding Bonds, and to identify the owner thereof on the bond register of the City kept by the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent.

Section 11. Book-Entry System. Initially, one fully-registered bond for each maturity of the Refunding Bonds, in the aggregate amount of such maturity, shall be issued in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") for the benefit of other parties (the "Participants") in the book-entry-only transfer system of DTC. In the event the City determines that it is in the best interest of the City not to continue the book-entry system of transfer or that the interests of the holders of the Refunding Bonds might be adversely affected if the book-entry system of transfer is continued, the City may notify DTC and the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent, whereupon DTC will notify the Participants of its availability through DTC of bond certificates. In such event, the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent shall deliver, transfer and exchange bond certificates as requested by DTC and any Participant or "beneficial owner" in appropriate amounts in accordance with this Ordinance. DTC

may determine to discontinue providing its services with respect to the Refunding Bonds at any time by giving notice to the City and the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent and discharging its responsibilities with respect thereto under applicable law or the City may determine that DTC is incapable of discharging its duties and may so advise DTC. In either such event, the City shall use reasonable efforts to locate another securities depository. Under such circumstances (if there is no successor securities depository), the City and the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent shall be obligated to deliver bond certificates in accordance with the procedures established by this Ordinance. In the event bond certificates are issued, the provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to, among other things, the transfer and exchange of such certificates and the method of payment of principal of and interest on such certificates. Whenever DTC requests the City and the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent to do so, the City and the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent shall cooperate with DTC in taking appropriate action after reasonable notice to make available one or more separate certificates evidencing the Refunding Bonds to any Participant having Refunding Bonds certified to its DTC account or to arrange for another securities depository to maintain custody of certificates evidencing the Refunding Bonds.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Ordinance to the contrary, so long as any Refunding Bond is registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, all payments with respect to the principal of and interest on such Refunding Bonds and all notices with respect to the Refunding Bonds shall be made and given to DTC as provided in the Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations between DTC and the City.

Section 12. Registration, Execution, Authentication and Transfer. The Refunding Bonds shall be registered as to both principal and interest on the bond register of the City kept for that purpose by the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent. The Refunding Bonds shall be signed by original or facsimile signature of the Mayor of the City and the City Clerk, and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute said Refunding Bonds for and on behalf of the City and to affix or have printed the seal of the City thereon. Upon the execution of said Refunding Bonds, the same shall be delivered to the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent who is hereby authorized and directed to deliver said Refunding Bonds to the original purchaser(s) thereof, upon receipt of the purchase price therefor, plus the accrued interest, if any, to the date of delivery.

In the event the Refunding Bonds are not in book-entry-only form, any individual bond shall be transferable on the bond register maintained with respect to the Refunding Bonds upon the surrender of the individual bond together with an assignment executed by the registered owner or its duly authorized attorney in form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent. Upon receipt of a properly assigned bond, the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent shall authenticate and deliver a new bond or bonds in equal aggregate principal amount and like interest rate and maturity to the designated transferee or transferees. Any individual bond may likewise be exchanged for one or more other bonds with the same interest rate and maturity in authorized denominations aggregating the same principal amount as the bond being exchanged. Such exchange shall be effected by surrender of the individual bond to be exchanged to the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent with written instructions signed by the registered owner of the individual bond or its attorney in form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent. Upon receipt of an individual bond with proper written instructions the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent shall authenticate and deliver a new bond or bonds to the registered owner of the bond or its properly designated transferee or transferees or attorney.

So long as Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, is the registered owner of the Refunding Bonds, the transfer of interests in the Refunding Bonds shall be the sole responsibility of DTC and its participants and neither the City or the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent shall have any responsibility with respect to such transfer.

Section 13. Bond Registrar and Paying Agent and Escrow Agent. The Bond Registrar/Paying Agent is hereby appointed to act on behalf of the City as paying, registration and transfer agent with respect to the Refunding Bonds. In such capacity, the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent shall, upon receipt of sufficient funds from the City, make timely payments of principal of and interest on the Refunding Bonds, authenticate the Refunding Bonds upon their initial issuance and subsequent transfer to successive owners, act as registrar of the Refunding Bonds including the preparation and maintenance of a current bond register of registered owners of the Bonds, coordinate the transfer of individual certificates between successive owners, including printing and transferring new certificates, and all other duties normally performed by paying, registration and transfer agents.

The Escrow Agent is hereby appointed to act as the escrow agent with respect to the Refunded Bonds. In such capacity, the Escrow Agent shall be responsible to hold in escrow and invest sufficient proceeds of the Refunding Bonds and other funds to be provided by the City to pay when due the interest on the Refunded Bonds,

to pay principal on the 1993 Bonds Refunded Bonds maturing June 1, 2002, and June 1, 2003, and to redeem the 1976 Bonds Refunded Bonds on July 1, 2002, the 1993 Bonds Refunded Bonds maturing on and after June 1, 2004 on June 1, 2003, and the 1994 Bonds Refunded Bonds on July 1, 2002 by payment of principal of, accrued interest and the applicable redemption premium on the Refunded Bonds.

The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into a bond registrar/paying agent agreement and escrow deposit agreement (both of which may be combined into a single agreement) on behalf of the City with the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent and/or Escrow Agent upon such terms and conditions as shall be consistent with the terms of this Ordinance and as shall be acceptable to bond counsel to the City. All reasonable fees and expenses of the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent and Escrow Agent shall be paid by the City.

Section 14. Bond Form. The form of the Refunding Bonds shall be substantially as follows:

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF KENT
CITY OF LOWELL
WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM REVENUE
REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2002**

INTEREST RATE MATURITY DATE ISSUE DATE CUSIP _____, 2002

REGISTERED OWNER: CEDE & CO.
P.O. Box 20, Bowling Green Station
New York, New York 10274
Tax I.D. No. 13-2555119

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT: Dollars (\$ _____)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that the City of Lowell, Kent County, Michigan (the "City"), acknowledges itself indebted and, for value received, hereby promises to pay, solely from the sources and as hereinafter provided, to the Registered Owner identified above or registered assigns, the Principal Amount specified above on the Maturity Date stated above, unless this Bond be subject to redemption and shall have been redeemed prior thereto as hereinafter provided, upon presentation and surrender of this Bond at the designated office of Fifth Third Bank, Michigan, as bond registrar, paying agent and transfer agent (the "Bond Registrar/Paying Agent") in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and to pay interest on such Principal Amount at the annual Interest Rate stated above [calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve (12) 30-day months] from the date hereof until the obligation of the City with respect to the payment of such Principal Amount shall be discharged.

Interest on this Bond is payable on _____ 1 and _____ 1 of each year beginning _____, at which time interest for _____ (____) months will be due. The interest so payable on any _____ 1 or _____ 1 will be paid by check or draft drawn on the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent mailed by first-class mail to the person in whose name this Bond is registered at the close of business on the Date of Record. The Date of Record shall be the fifteenth (15th) day of the month preceding a month a payment of interest on this Bond is due, provided that if such day is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday in the State of Michigan (the "State"), the Date of Record shall be as of the close of business on the next day preceding such 15th day of the month which is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday in the State.

The principal of, redemption premium, if any, and interest on this Bond are payable in any coin or currency of the United States of America which at the time of payment is legal tender for the payment of public or private debts.

The revenues of the Water Supply System of the City, less reasonable expenses of operation, administration and maintenance, are hereby irrevocably pledged and a statutory first lien thereon is hereby created for the payment of principal of and interest hereon and all other Bonds of this series.

This Bond is one of a series of self-liquidating bonds of even date and like tenor, except as to principal amount, date of maturity, and interest rate, aggregating the principal sum of \$ _____, issued pursuant to Ordinance No. _____ (the "Bond Authorizing Ordinance") duly adopted by the City Council on April 8, 2002, and under and in substantial compliance with the constitution and laws of the State of Michigan, including specifically the Revenue Bond Act, Act 94 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1933, as amended ("Act 94"), for the purpose of refunding the \$755,000 principal amount of the City's Water Supply System Revenue Bonds, Series 1976, \$435,000 principal amount of the City's Water Supply System Revenue Bonds, Series 1993 and \$1,195,000 principal amount of the City's Water Revenue Bonds,

Series 1994 (the "Refunded Bonds") including the payment of applicable redemption premiums, accrued interest and the cost of issuing the Bonds of this series. The Bonds of this series are of equal standing and priority and are equally secured with any additional bonds which may be issued pursuant to the provisions of the Bond Authorizing Ordinance and Act 94. For a complete statement of the revenues from which, and the conditions under which, this Bond is payable, a statement of the conditions under which additional bonds of equal standing may hereafter be issued, and the general covenants and provisions pursuant to which this Bond is issued, reference is made to the Bond Authorizing Ordinance.

Bonds maturing in the year _____ through _____, both inclusive, shall not be subject to redemption prior to maturity. Bonds maturing in the years _____ through _____, both inclusive, shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the City, in whole or in part, in \$5,000 increments within a maturity in such order of maturity as the City shall determine and by lot within a maturity on any date on or after _____, at the redemption prices (expressed as percentages of principal amount) set forth in the table below plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption:

Redemption Date	Redemption Price
_____ to and including _____	_____%
_____ to and including _____	_____%
_____ and thereafter	_____%

Bonds maturing on _____ are subject to mandatory redemption prior to maturity in part by lot on each _____ commencing _____, and will be redeemed at one hundred percent (100%) of the principal amount plus accrued interest to the redemption date on _____ of each of the following years in the respective principal amounts specified below:

Redemption Date	Redemption Price
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Notice of the call of any Bonds of this series for redemption shall be given by first-class mail by the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption, to the registered owners of record of the Bonds of this series or portions thereof to be redeemed at the address shown on the registration books of the City kept by the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent, provided, however, the failure to give such notice by mail, or any defect in the notice mailed to the owner of any Bonds, shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any other Bonds. Bonds so called for redemption shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption, whether presented for redemption or not, provided funds are on hand with the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent to redeem said Bonds.

This Bond is transferrable on the bond registration books of the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent upon surrender of this Bond together with an assignment executed by the registered owner or its duly authorized attorney in form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent. Upon such transfer, one or more fully registered bonds with denominations of \$5,000 or such larger denomination in the same aggregate principal amount and the same maturity and interest rate, will be issued to the designated transferee or transferees.

The City hereby covenants and agrees to fix and maintain, at all times while any of such Bonds shall be outstanding, such rates for service furnished by the City's Water Supply System as shall be sufficient to provide for payment of the principal of and interest on all bonds payable therefrom as and when the same become due and payable and as required by the Bond Authorizing Ordinance, to provide for the payment of expenses of administration and operation and of such expenses for maintenance of said Water Supply System as are necessary to preserve the same in good repair and working order, and to provide for such other expenditures and funds for said Water Supply System as are required by the Bond Authorizing Ordinance and Act 94.

It is hereby certified and recited that all acts, conditions and things required by law precedent to and in the issuance of this Bond and the series of Bonds of which this is one have been done and performed in regular and due time and form as required by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City, by its City Council, has caused this Bond to be signed in the name of said City by facsimile signature of its Mayor and City Clerk, and its seal to be hereunto printed by facsimile.

CITY OF LOWELL
C. Jeanne Shores, Mayor
(SEAL)
Betty R. Morlock, City Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This Bond is one of the Bonds described in the within mentioned Bond Authorizing Ordinance.

FIFTH THIRD BANK, MICHIGAN
As Bond Registrar/Paying Agent

Dated: _____ By: _____
Authorized Representative

Section 15. Revenue as Security; No General Obligation of City. The Refunding Bonds, including both principal of and interest thereon, shall not be a general obligation of the City and shall not constitute an indebtedness of the City for purposes of any debt limitations imposed by the charter of the City, any constitutional provision or any statutory limitation. The principal of and interest on said Refunding Bonds shall be payable solely from the net revenues derived from the operation of the Water System, including future improvements, enlargements and extensions thereof. The net revenues from the Water System, including future enlargements, improvements and extensions thereto, are hereby pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Refunding Bonds. To secure the payment of the principal of and interest on the Refunding Bonds issued hereunder and on any additional bonds of equal standing which may be issued as provided by the terms of this Ordinance and Act 94 there is hereby created to and in favor of the holders of the Refunding Bonds a statutory first lien upon the net revenues of the Water System, including future enlargements, improvements and extensions thereof on a parity with any additional bonds which may be issued pursuant to this Ordinance and Act 94.

Section 16. Additional Security. The City Manager is hereby authorized to negotiate and arrange, as and to the extent he shall deem necessary, for insurance on the Refunding Bonds as additional security to assure timely payment of principal of and interest on the Refunding Bonds.

Section 17. Creation of Bond Reserve Fund. There is hereby established as a separate depository account a fund known as the Water Supply System Revenue Refunding Bonds - Bond Reserve Fund, Series 2002 (the "Bond Reserve Fund") at the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent. The Bond Reserve Fund is intended to insure the timely payment of principal of and interest on the Refunding Bonds and to provide for the redemption of Refunding Bonds prior to their stated maturities. At or prior to the delivery of the Refunding Bonds, there shall be deposited in the Bond Reserve Fund an amount equal to the lesser of (i) 10% of the proceeds of the Refunding Bonds; (ii) the maximum annual principal and interest requirements on the Refunding Bonds; and (iii) 125% of the average annual principal and interest requirements on the Refunding Bonds. At all times while any Refunding Bonds are outstanding, the market value of cash and securities in the Bond Reserve Fund shall be equal to such lesser amount.

Money in the Bond Reserve Fund shall be used for the following purposes, and for no other:

- to prevent a default in the payment of principal of or interest on the Refunding Bonds;
- to pay the principal of, interest on, and redemption premium on Refunding Bonds in the event all outstanding Refunding Bonds are redeemed in whole;
- to effect partial redemption of Refunding Bonds, provided that subsequent to partial redemption the market value of cash and securities in the Bond Reserve Fund shall not be less than the amount required to be maintained in such Fund; and
- to transfer to the Receiving Fund (as hereinafter identified), if permitted by law, provided at the time of such transfer the market value of cash and securities in the Bond Reserve Fund shall not be less than the amount required to be maintained in such Fund.

The market value of cash and securities in the Bond Reserve Fund shall be established on the first day of March of each year and within forty-five (45) days of such date in order to determine if the Bond Reserve Fund contains the amount required by this Ordinance and to the extent to which payments therefor must be made or withdrawals therefrom may be made. If the Bond Reserve Fund does not at any time contain in cash and securities the amount required to be maintained in the Bond Reserve Fund, on the first day of the month following such determination and on the first day of each of the next succeeding ten (10) months, one-eleventh (1/11) of the amount necessary to re-establish the required amount shall be paid into the Bond Reserve Fund.

Section 18. Establishment of Funds. The City Treasurer is hereby directed to establish the following funds into which the revenues and income from the Water System shall be deposited, which funds shall be established and maintained, except as otherwise provided, so long as any of the Bonds remain outstanding.

A. Receiving Fund. The gross income and revenue of the Water System shall be set aside in a fund designated the Water System Receiving Fund (the "Receiving Fund") and moneys so deposited therein shall be

expended and used only in the manner and order as follows:

1. Operation and Maintenance Fund. The City shall maintain a fund known as the Operation and Maintenance Fund (the "O & M Fund"). Prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, the City Council shall approve an annual budget of the Water System for the ensuing fiscal year. Out of the moneys in the Receiving Fund, there shall be periodically set aside and deposited into the O & M Fund a sum sufficient to pay the reasonable and necessary current expenses of administering, operating and maintaining said Water System.

2. Bond and Interest Redemption Fund. There is hereby established as a separate depository account a fund known as the Water Supply System Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2002 - Bond and Interest Redemption Fund (the "Bond and Interest Redemption Fund"). After transfer to the O & M Fund required in 1. above, there shall be transferred from the Receiving Fund and deposited in the Bond and Interest Redemption Fund, for payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, just prior to the date a payment is due, a sum equal to the principal of Bonds maturing and interest due on the Bonds during the then current fiscal year. The moneys on deposit in the Bond and Interest Redemption Fund shall be used solely and only for the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the Refunding Bonds. The Bond and Interest Redemption Fund shall be kept with the Bond Registrar/Paying Agent. The moneys on deposit in the Bond and Interest Redemption Fund shall be invested in accordance with law and any balance remaining in said Fund after the semi-annual payment on the Refunding Bonds shall be applied as a credit against the next semi-annual payment on the Refunding Bonds.

3. Improvement and Repair Fund. There is hereby established an Improvement and Repair Fund, into which there shall be placed, after meeting the foregoing requirements, such sums as the City Council shall determine to be used for the purpose of acquiring and constructing improvements, additions and extensions to the Water System and for the purpose of making repairs and replacements to the Water System.

4. Surplus Moneys. All moneys remaining in the Receiving Fund at the end of any fiscal year after satisfying the above requirements may be transferred to the Bond and Interest Redemption Fund and used as authorized in this Ordinance or at the option of the City transferred to the Improvement and Repair Fund and used for the purposes for which said Fund was established. *Provided, however,* that if there should be a deficit in the O & M Fund or Bond and Interest Redemption Fund, on account of defaults in setting aside therein the amounts hereinbefore required, then transfers shall be made from the moneys remaining in the Receiving Fund at the end of any fiscal year to such Funds in the priority and order named, to the extent of such deficit. *Provided* it is permitted by law, available surplus moneys may be used to retire any outstanding obligations of the City incurred for the construction, expansion or addition to the Water System including additional bonds, the issuance of which is authorized by this Ordinance, or if no other disposition has been provided for, such moneys may be used for such other purpose or purposes as the City Council may deem to be for the best interest of the City.

Section 19. Rates and Charges Coverage. The City covenants and agrees that it will, at all times, prescribe and maintain and thereafter collect rates and charges for the services and facilities furnished by the Water System, which, together with other income, are reasonably expected to yield Net Revenues in the current fiscal year of the City at least one hundred and twenty percent (120%) of the annual principal and interest payments in such fiscal year of all bonds outstanding which pledge as security therefor the revenues of the Water System. Promptly upon any material change in the circumstances which were contemplated at the time such rates and charges were most recently reviewed, but not less frequently than once each fiscal year, the City shall review the rates and charges and shall promptly revise such rates and charges as necessary to comply with the foregoing requirement.

Section 20. Additional Bonds Test. Additional bonds may be issued after the issuance of the Bonds for repair, replacement or extension of the Water System only if Net revenues of the Water System during the fiscal year of the City immediately preceding the fiscal year in which the additional bonds are to be issued, adjusted to reflect any rate increases currently adopted and to be in effect prior to or coincident with the issuance of such additional bonds, and determined *pro forma* as though such rate increases had been in continuous effect during such preceding fiscal year, shall not be less than one hundred and twenty percent (120%) of the annual principal and interest payments in such fiscal year of all bonds outstanding which pledge as security therefore the revenues of the Water System.

Section 21. Rights of Bondholders. The holder or holders of said Refunding Bonds representing in the aggregate not less than twenty percent (20%) of the entire issue then outstanding may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action, mandamus, or other proceedings,

protect and enforce the statutory lien set forth in Section 15 hereof and enforce and compel the performance of all duties of the officers of the City, including the fixing of sufficient rates, the collection of revenues, the proper segregation of revenues and the proper application thereof. *Provided, however,* that said statutory lien shall not be construed to give any holder of any bond authority to compel the sale of the Water System, including the Project, the revenues of which are pledged thereto.

If there be any default in the payment of the principal of or interest on the Refunding Bonds, any court having jurisdiction in any proper action may appoint a receiver to administer and operate the Water System on behalf of the City and under the direction of said court, and by and with the approval of said court, to fix and charge rates and collect revenues sufficient to provide for the payment of the Refunding Bonds or other obligations outstanding against the revenues of the Water System and for the payment of the expenses of administering, operating and maintaining the Water System and to apply the income and revenues of the Water System in conformity with Act 94 and this Ordinance.

The holder or holders, from time to time, of the Refunding Bonds shall have all the rights and remedies given by law including particularly Act 94 for the enforcement of the City's obligations under this Ordinance and in the Refunding Bonds.

Section 22. Management of Water Systems. The management and operation of the Water System shall be under the control of the City Council. The City Council may employ such persons in such capacities as it deems advisable to carry on the efficient management and operation of the Water System. The City Council may make such rules and regulations as it deems advisable and necessary to assure the efficient management and operation of the Water System.

Section 23. Refunded Bonds Escrow Fund. There shall be established and maintained by the City on the books of the Escrow Agent three special and irrevocable escrow funds designated the (a) Water Supply System Revenue Bonds, Series 1976-Escrow Fund (the "1976 Bonds Escrow Fund"), (b) the Water Supply System Revenue Bonds, Series 1993-Escrow Fund (the "1993 Bonds Escrow Fund"), and (c) the Water Revenue Bonds, Series 1994-Escrow Fund (the "1994 Bonds Escrow Fund" and together with the 1976 Bonds Escrow Fund and the 1993 Bonds Escrow Fund the "Escrow Funds"). The moneys in the 1976 Bonds Escrow Fund and investment earnings thereon shall be used solely and only to pay, when due, interest on the 1976 Bonds Refunded Bonds and to pay principal of the 1976 Bonds Refunded Bonds on July 1, 2002. The moneys in the 1993 Bonds Escrow Fund and investment earnings thereon shall be used solely and only to pay, when due, interest on the 1993 Bonds Refunded Bonds, to pay principal maturities payable on the 1993 Bonds Refunded Bonds on June 1, 2002, and June 1, 2003, and to pay principal of and the redemption premium on the 1993 Bonds Refunded Bonds maturing on and after June 1, 2004, on June 1, 2003. The moneys in the 1994 Bonds Escrow Fund and the investment earnings thereon shall be used solely and only to pay principal of, accrued interest and redemption premium on the 1994 Bonds Refunded Bonds on July 1, 2002.

Section 24. Proceeds of Bond Sale. Accrued interest received at the time of the sale of the Refunding Bonds, if any, shall be deposited by the City into the Bond and Interest Redemption Fund. A sufficient amount of the proceeds from the sale of the Refunding Bonds together with other funds to be provided by the City shall be deposited by the City into (a) the 1976 Escrow Fund which together with permitted investments is sufficient to pay, when due, interest on the 1976 Bonds Refunded Bonds and to pay principal of the 1976 Bonds Refunded Bonds on July 1, 2002, (b) the 1993 Escrow Fund which together with permitted investments is sufficient to pay, when due, interest on the 1993 Bonds Refunded Bonds, principal maturities payable on the 1993 Bonds Refunded Bonds on June 1, 2002, and June 1, 2003, and principal of and the redemption premium on the 1993 Bonds Refunded Bonds maturing on and after June 1, 2004, on June 1, 2003, and (c) the 1994 Escrow Fund which together with permitted investments is sufficient to pay principal of, accrued interest and redemption premium on the 1994 Bonds Refunded Bonds on July 1, 2002. All remaining proceeds from the sale of the Refunding Bonds less underwriter's discount shall be used to pay the legal, financial, printing and other expenses incurred by the City in connection with the issuance of the Refunding Bonds.

Section 25. Investment of Funds. Moneys in the Receiving Fund, O & M Fund, Improvements and Repair Fund, the Bond Reserve Fund and the Bond and Interest Redemption Fund, may be invested by the City in United States government obligations, the principal of and the interest on which are guaranteed by the United States of America or, subject to the provisions of Act 94, other investments permitted by law. In the event such investments are made, the securities representing the same shall be kept on deposit with the depository of the respective Fund and the income therefrom shall become a part of such Fund. Moneys in the Escrow Funds shall

Commission approves Plaza's altered plans for new addition

By J. N. Boorsma
Contributing Writer

They haven't even begun to build and already a local strip mall has made changes to where its building should be.

David Hagen, of Decker Construction, found himself in front of the Lowell Plan-

ning Commission once again since the owners of the Lowell Plaza had decided to move the location of the plaza's addition. Originally, the plans called for the addition to be a separate building running along Chatham. Now the building will be added on directly to the current building with parking being able to

move freely through the lot.

"Visually there was a concern about the rear doors facing the residents, and snow removal," Hagen said, adding that by moving the building to its new location it turned a very restrictive parking situation into a better flow.

"I like it," said commission member, Clark Jahnke,

who added that it simply made more sense.

The new plan, however, did not go without its objections.

"Just for the record, I disagree, I disagree, I disagree," said planning commission chair, Jim Hall, who was the only vote against the new plan. The commission did raise

an issue about the plan not showing drainage for the parking lot, which is subject to approval. All came up was the planning commission's "favorite topic" of landscaping. Hall pointed out the plan called for 10 daylilies in the parking isles, when the ordinance requires either three shrubs

or one tree. Also, the commission wanted to see a curb landscape area near the entrance of the building.

City manager, David Pasquale noted the addition, which is 6,300 square feet, meets all the other requirements for the city as far as setback and lighting.

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be invested in accordance with applicable federal law by the purchase of U.S. Treasury obligations, the principal of and interest on which, when due, will provide for the payment from the Escrow Fund of the principal and redemption premium of, and interest on the Refunded Bonds as described in Section 23 hereof.

Section 26. Rates and Charges. The City Council shall establish and maintain rates and charges for the services of the Water System in an amount sufficient to pay (i) the expenses of administration and the costs of operation and maintenance of the Water System; (ii) principal of and interest on the Refunding Bonds and any such additional bonds issued pursuant to this Ordinance and Act 94; and (iii) the cost of replacement, repairs and improvements to the Water System and the cost of all other requirements provided herein, and otherwise comply with the covenants herein provided including specifically the covenant contained in Section 19 hereof. The rates and charges for all services and facilities rendered by the Water System shall be reasonable and just, taking into consideration the costs and value of the Water System and the cost of administering, operating and maintaining the same and the amounts necessary for the retirement of all the Refunding Bonds and accrued interest on all the Refunding Bonds, and there shall be charged such rates and charges as shall be adequate to meet the requirements of this Ordinance.

Section 27. Lien. By Section 21 of Act 94 and this Ordinance, the rates and charges for services furnished by the Water System are made liens thereon, and those rates and charges delinquent for six months or more shall be certified by the City annually on March 1 of each year to the City tax assessing officer who shall enter the same upon the next tax roll against the premises to which the service shall have been rendered, and the rates and charges shall be collected and the lien shall be enforced in the same manner as provided for the collection of taxes assessed upon such roll and the enforcement of the lien therefor. However, in all cases where a tenant is responsible for the payment of the charges and the City is so notified in writing (including a true copy of any lease), then the charges shall not become a lien against the premises from and after the date of the notice. From and after such notice, no further service shall be rendered to the premises until a cash deposit of not less than three months' service shall have been made as security for payment of the charges.

Section 28. No Free Service. No free service shall be furnished by the Water System to the City or to any individual, firm or corporation, public or private, or to any agency or instrumentality.

Section 29. Covenants. The City covenants and agrees, so long as any of the Refunding Bonds remain outstanding, as follows:

A. That, with reference to the Water System, it will punctually perform all duties and comply with applicable State of Michigan laws, rules and regulations and continually operate and maintain the Water System in good condition.

B. That it will not sell, lease, mortgage or in any manner dispose of the Water System, including the Project, or any substantial part thereof until all bonds payable from the revenues thereof shall have been paid in full or provision has been made for the payment of such bonds.

C. That it will maintain complete books and records relating to the operation of the Water System and its financial affairs and will cause such books and records to be audited annually at the end of each fiscal year and an audit report prepared and furnish any holder of any Refunding Bonds a copy of such report upon written request.

D. That it will prepare, keep and file such records, statements and accounts as may be required by law and that it will file with the Michigan Department of Treasury each year, as soon as is possible, but not later than ninety (90) days after the close of the fiscal year, a report, made in accordance with the accounting methods of the City, completely setting forth the financial operation of such fiscal year.

E. That it will maintain and carry insurance on all physical properties of the Water System, of the kinds and in the amounts normally carried by municipali-

ties engaged in the operation of similar systems. All moneys received for losses under any such insurance policies shall be applied first to the repair, replacement and restoration of the property damaged or destroyed.

Section 30. Refunding Bonds. The City shall have the power to issue refunding bonds pursuant to Act 94 and other applicable law to refund all or part of the Refunding Bonds if otherwise permitted by law.

Section 31. Ordinance Shall Constitute Contract. The provisions of this Ordinance shall constitute a contract between the City and the holders of the Refunding Bonds and after the issuance of such Refunding Bonds this Ordinance shall not be repealed or amended in any respect which will adversely affect the rights and interests of the holders of the Refunding Bonds, nor shall the City adopt any law, ordinance or resolution which in any way adversely affects the rights of the holders of the Refunding Bonds so long as the Refunding Bonds or interest thereon remains outstanding.

Section 32. Default of City. If there shall be a default in this Ordinance or in the payment of principal of or interest on any of the Refunding Bonds, upon the filing of a suit by twenty percent (20%) of the holders of the Refunding Bonds then outstanding, any court having jurisdiction of the action may appoint a receiver to administer the Water System on behalf of the City with power to charge and collect rates and charges sufficient to provide for the payment of principal of and interest on the Refunding Bonds and for payment of the expenses of administering, operating and maintaining the Water System and to apply income and revenues in accordance with this Ordinance and the laws of the State of Michigan.

The City hereby agrees to transfer to any bona fide receiver or other subsequent operator of the Water System, pursuant to any valid court order in a proceeding brought to enforce collection or payment of City obligations, all contracts or other rights of the City conditionally, for such time only as such receiver or operator shall operate by authority of the court.

The holders of twenty percent (20%) of the Refunding Bonds in the event of default may require by mandatory injunction the raising of rates and charges in a reasonable amount.

Section 33. Negotiated Sale. The City Manager is authorized to file such necessary documents with the Michigan Department of Treasury to obtain approval for the sale of the Refunding Bonds. Upon receipt of an approval from the Local Audit and Finance Division of the Michigan Department of Treasury authorizing the sale of the Refunding Bonds, the City Manager is authorized to negotiate such sale with Fahnstock & Co., Inc., Detroit, Michigan, in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 34. Report of Sale of Refunding Bonds. The City Manager, prior to the issuance of the Refunding Bonds, shall file a report with the City Council with respect to the sale of the Refunding Bonds. Such report shall include (a) the date of issue, principal amount and the manner of the sale of the Refunding Bonds, (b) the interest rate or rates on the Refunding Bonds, (c) the optional and mandatory redemption provisions related to the Refunding Bonds, (d) the use and disposition of the proceeds of the Refunding Bonds, and (d) the extent of the use of any bond insurance to secure payment of the Refunding Bonds.

Section 35. Official Statement. The use of a preliminary official statement and official statement in a form approved by the City Manager in connection with the sale of the Refunding Bonds is hereby approved.

Section 36. Exemption from Tax. The Refunding Bonds are authorized by the Constitution of the State of Michigan and the statutes of the State of Michigan, in particular Act 94, and are exempt from any and all taxation whatsoever by the State of Michigan or by any taxing authority within the State except as to estate and gift taxes and taxes on gains realized from the sale, payment or other disposition thereof.

Section 37. Defeasance. Upon defeasance of the Refunding Bonds, the provisions on the Refunding Bonds with respect to redemption may remain in effect.

Section 38. Authorization for Execution and Delivery of Documents. The Mayor, City Manager, City Clerk or City Treasurer are hereby authorized to execute

and deliver such documents, certificates, agreements, instruments and other papers as may be necessary to effect the sale and delivery of the Refunding Bonds and to apply for such orders and approvals and file such documents with any governmental agency as may be required in connection with the sale and delivery of the Refunding Bonds.

Section 39. No Recourse on the Refunding Bonds. All covenants, stipulations, promises, agreements and obligations of the City contained in this Ordinance shall be deemed to be the covenants, stipulations, promises, agreements and obligations of the City and not those of any councilmember, officer or employee of the City in her or his individual capacity, and no recourse shall be had for the payment of the principal or redemption price of or interest on the Refunding Bonds or for any claim based thereon or in this Ordinance, either jointly or severally, against any councilmember, officer or employee of the City or any person executing the Bonds.

Section 40. Ordinance Subject to Michigan Law. The provisions of this Ordinance are subject to the laws of the State of Michigan.

Section 41. Operating Year of System. The operating year of the Water System shall coincide with the fiscal year of the City which currently begins July 1 and ends June 30.

Section 42. Paragraph Headings. The paragraph headings in this Ordinance are furnished for convenience of reference only and shall not be considered to be a part of this Ordinance.

Section 43. Publication and Recordation. This Ordinance shall be published, promptly after its adoption, once in full in the *Lowell Ledger*, a newspaper of general circulation in the City qualified under State of Michigan law to publish legal notices, and the same shall be recorded in the Ordinance Book of the City and such recording authenticated by the signatures of the Mayor and City Clerk.

Section 44. Severability. If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the same shall not affect any other part of this Ordinance.

Section 45. Conflict. All ordinances, resolutions or orders or parts thereof insofar as the same may be in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed; provided that the foregoing shall not operate to repeal any provision thereof, the repeal of which would impair the obligation on the Refunding Bonds.

Section 46. Effective Date. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon its adoption.

Passed and adopted by the City of Lowell on April 8, 2002.

C. Jeanne Shores, Mayor

ATTEST:
Betty R. Morlock, City Clerk

YEAS: Councilmembers Blough, Brubaker, Myers, Pfaller and Mayor Shores.
NAYS: Councilmembers none.
ABSTAIN: Councilmembers none.
ABSENT: Councilmembers none.
ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned duly qualified and acting Clerk of the City, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of an ordinance adopted by the City Council of the City at a regular meeting held on April 8, 2002, and that public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to Act 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, as amended.

I further certify that said Ordinance has been recorded in the Ordinance Book of the City and such recording has been authenticated by the signatures of the Mayor and City Clerk.

Dated: April 8, 2002

Betty R. Morlock, City Clerk

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In March, the council approved a rate increase of \$16 from \$11.81 per ride for the program. At the end of March, city manager, David Pasquale said the city had already spent \$3,956.35 on the program, which had a cap of \$4,000. All the monies spent on the program come from the allocations made to the city from the Federal Development Block Grant program.

The proposed amount was increased to \$7,500 to assure the city it would be able to cover the costs for this year. The recommendation came from Tom Tilma of the Kent County

Development Department, which oversees the North Kent Transit Service program.

Since coming into the city in 1998, the city has had to increase its allotments to the program every year. In 1998-1999, the city originally agreed to \$2,000 and amended it to \$3,000 with the program ending at \$3,094.74. The following year, the city agreed again to \$2,000 and had to double it to \$4,000 with the program ending at \$4,438.83.

In 2000-2001, the city had a rate increase, but still only

approved \$2,000, having to double that amount to \$4,000 to cover costs. The program's expenses ended at \$4,712.19.

This year, because the amount seemed to be around \$4,000, the council approved that amount from its community block grant funds at the beginning of the year. Tilma indicated to the city that he believed the \$7,500 would be enough to cover all the costs for this year.

The North Kent Transit Service provides rides for senior citizens and handicapped residents.

Red Arrow girls post pair of 3-2 soccer wins

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Twice in as many games, the Lowell girls soccer team found itself in a position it hasn't experienced much and one in which it hasn't been very successful.

Times were changing last week as the Red Arrows found themselves tied late in games against Sparta and Northview and then did what was necessary to pull out 3-2 wins over the Spartans and Wildcats.

"We still need to be better at the end of a game, but it was a good learning experience for the girls and they were able to do what they had to ... to win," Lowell soccer coach, Ryan Conlan said. "They also need to get better at the end of a game

so that their coach isn't so nervous."

In Lowell's 3-2 win over Northview, junior Becky Bosserd scored the game's first goal at the 13:09 mark. On a scramble in front of the Northview net, Bosserd beat her man to the ball and put the ball past the Northview goalie.

"Becky showed the kind of intensity you need when you're in the attacking third of the field," Conlan said.

Lowell's 1-0 lead was short-lived, as the Wildcats tied the game up a minute later.

With the game tied at 1-1 with four minutes left in the half, Amy Oberlin, on a cross from Bosserd at roughly 18 yards out, booted one into the Northview net, giving Lowell a 2-1 halftime lead.

"Those two first-half scores were two of the best goals we've had all season," Conlan explained.

Northview tied the game at 2-2 in the second half at the 26:37 mark.

With seven minutes left in the second half, Lowell's winning goal came when Oberlin kicked one through the hands of Northview's goalie on an assist from Bosserd.

In its non-conference win over Sparta, Lowell netted two

first-half goals on a penalty kick from Abbie Debiak and on a 35-yard shot from Bosserd.

"Abbie had great placement on her penalty shot. There wasn't anything Sparta's goalie could have done," Conlan explained. "The girls played well. After Sparta got that first goal, we dominated play."

Sparta scored the first goal of the second half to tie the game at 2-2.

Lowell caught a break with four minutes to play as Laura Horsley got pushed in the box, setting up a second penalty kick by Debiak.

The freshman placed a solid kick into the back of the net, giving Lowell the game-winning goal.

Lowell finished the week at 3-5 overall and 1-2 in the conference.

Help Promote Literacy

The Kent County Literacy Council has scheduled an information session for Thursday, May 9 at 6:30 p.m. for prospective volunteer tutors. The session, which lasts for one hour, allows persons interested in becoming volunteer tutors to find out more about the Council and to also sign up for tutor training.

The information session will be held at the Wyoming Public Library, 3350 Michael Ave. S.W. Call 245-7962 to register.

LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS KENT AND IONIA COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the regular school election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 10, 2002.

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2002, IS MONDAY, MAY 13, 2002. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING ON MONDAY, MAY 13, 2002, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION.

To register, visit any Secretary of State branch office or your county, city or township clerk's office. Persons planning to register with the respective county, city or township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerks' offices are open for registration.

This Notice is given by order of the board of education.

Patrick Nugent
Secretary, Board of Education

SYNOPSIS

REGULAR MEETING OF THE VERGENNES TOWNSHIP BOARD
April 15, 2002 - 7:00 p.m.
Minutes of the March 11, 2002 Regular Meeting Accepted as Read

Motions Approved:

Motion to set a Special Meeting on May 6, 2002, to hold a Public Hearing on a Planning Commission initiated rezoning from RA to R1 in portions of Sections 33 and 34

Motion to maintain current attorney, auditor, engineer and planner

Motion to approve Fifth-Third, Huntington and Ionia County Banks, and Kent County Money Max as designated depository institutions

Motions to amend Community Development Block Grant fund allocations regarding Alton Church Society project

Motion to hold a Public Hearing on May 6, 2002 in regard to a request for a Special Use Permit for Robert Morgan, 12564 Bailey Dr.

Motion to set fees for Zoning Ordinance book

Motion to approve 2002-03 Kent County CDBG contract agreement

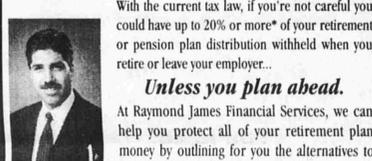
Motion to Adjourn at 8:20 PM. Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting May 20, 2002

Complete minutes are available on the township web site at www.vergennestwp.org, or at the township offices located at 10381 Bailey Dr., Lowell.

Marl Stone, Vergennes Township Clerk

Leaving Your Job? Retiring?

You could have up to 20% of your retirement benefits withheld by the IRS!



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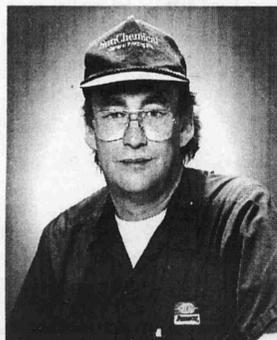
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Errors costly in Red Arrows' loss to Hudsonville

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Seven of the top 10 softball teams in West Michigan reside on the Lowell schedule.

The Red Arrows opened last week at Portland and then finished at home against Forest Hills Northern and Hudsonville.

Lowell lost two to the Red Raiders 8-0, 13-1; then dropped a 7-0 decision to the Huskies; and on Friday the Red Arrows were narrowly defeated by the Eagles 4-2.

"Would have, should have and could have" pretty much tells you all that is needed about the Hudsonville game.

"Three errors on routine plays cost us," Lowell softball coach, Bob Rodenhouse explained. "We got a great pitching performance from Amanda Eickhoff, but the errors killed us."

Eickhoff allowed four runs (just one was earned) over seven innings, six hits and walked one and struck out four.

Lowell scored its two runs in the first inning on singles by Tara Kimble, Jacque Benedict, Courtney Phillips, a wild pitch and a fielder's choice.

The Red Arrows had the bases loaded in the third but failed to score.

"You just can't afford to give up four outs in an inning when you're playing a good

ballclub," Rodenhouse said.

In its loss to Northern, Lowell batters managed just one hit against Huskie hurler, Stephanie Cole.

The Red Arrows' only hit came in the sixth off the bat of Amanda VanSpronsen.

Northern rapped out 10 hits against Lacey Capen. The Huskies scored two in the third inning, three in the fifth and two in the sixth.

"We're playing pretty steady softball right now," said Northern's first-year coach, Renee Bolitho. "The girls are more aggressive at the plate and are hitting the ball well."

Hamilton Tournament

Bob Rodenhouse labeled it his club's game of the year.

Lowell, in winning two of the three games it played Saturday at Hamilton, defeated one of the area's best.

The Arrows, behind the strong pitching of Amanda Eickhoff, upended Unity Christian 3-1.

Trailing 1-0, the Red Arrows rallied for three runs in the sixth.

Two bunt singles (Amanda VanSpronsen, Tara Kimble), an error, wild pitch and a sacrifice fly plated Lowell's runs.

Unity Christian's only run (unearned) off Eickhoff came in the fifth inning.

In its tournament opener,

Lowell defeated Hastings 6-3.

Lacey Capen went the distance allowing three runs on seven hits while walking one and striking out two.

At the plate, Eickhoff and

2 contest to East Grand Rapids.

Lowell finished the week at 10-7 overall and 0-2 in the O-K White.

Bob Rodenhouse had an



Noelle Dewey, Lowell's catcher, watches as her throw beats the FHN baserunner to first base.

Noelle Dewey led the way with three hits apiece. Capen and Katie Blough each collected two.

In Lowell's final game of the tournament, the Red Arrows lost a rain-shortened 5-

8-2 two weeks into the high school softball season.

"We beat up on the teams we're supposed to," the Lowell coach explained.

Case in point, the Red Arrows, in over a stretch of

"Shaun has so many strengths. He plays equally as well from the baseline and net. He played an excellent match," Wall explained.

Lowell tennis team 3rd at Wayland

By Thaddeus J. Kraus
Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell's top two tennis flights in singles and doubles placed second at the Wayland Invitational on Saturday in leading the Arrows to a third place finish.

Wayland won the tournament with 27 points followed by Middleville 25, Lowell 20 and Godwin Heights 5.

Chris Cress, playing first singles, won his first match 6-0, 6-1 before losing to Middleville in the finals 6-3, 0-6, 6-7 (3).

"Chris cruised at times through that first set," said Lowell tennis coach, Bonnie Wall. "His serves were good and his angles on volleys were terrific."

Shaun Koning, second singles, won his opening match 6-1, 6-2 against Middleville before losing to Wayland in the finals 6-4, 3-6, 6-7 (3).

"Shaun had an excellent overhead, served well and played with a lot of quickness at the net," Wall said.

In doubles play, David Maylone and Paco Calleja lost

to Wayland in straight sets 1-6, 5-7 in the finals. They advanced to the finals with a 6-4, 4-6, 7-4 win over Middleville.

The second doubles team of Dustin Pedley and Chris Corlett won their first match 6-4, 1-6, 7-2 and lost in the finals in straight sets 6-0, 6-0.

In league play, Lowell lost to Northview 7-1 and 8-0 to Forest Hills Central.

Koning provided the Red Arrows with their only win as he defeated his Wildcat opponent 6-2, 6-3 in second singles.

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Wojciakowski's mark can be felt in a multitude of events

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Junior Lisa Wojciakowski is good - in everything. "I can put Lisa wherever I need her and she does well," Lowell girls track coach, Kathy Talus explained. "She is a great example for the kids coming up."

So far this year, Wojciakowski has competed in the 800-, 1600-, 3200-meter relays, the 200 dash and the 400-, 800- and 1600-meter runs.

"I've never competed in the hurdles," Wojciakowski says in identifying an event she might like to try. "I'm not sure I'd be very good."

What the junior is very good at is running the 800. She owns the school record (2:25) which she set her freshman year. "I definitely want to beat that this year. That's a goal I've set."

So far this year, her best 800 time came in the 3200-meter relay where she ran a 2:27 split.

Wojciakowski was a member of the 800-meter relay team which finished ninth in the state last year. "We missed all-state honors by one place," she says. "We don't want to miss that this year."

Wojciakowski adds the team has set goals of a second consecutive conference championship, a regional championship and qualifying for state.

In the team's 94-43 runaway win against Forest Hills Central, Wojciakowski was instrumental.

She raced home in 1:04.34 to win the 400-meter dash by more than a second.

The junior also had a leg in Lowell's wins in the 3200-, 1600-, and 800-meter relays.

In the 3200, Wojciakowski, Kristin Lee, Holly Plattner and Sarah Swab came home in a winning time of 10:38.

Wojciakowski, Kim Huyser, Jenna Dickerman and Natalie Kent easily outdistanced Central by five seconds in the 800 with a winning time of 1:52.

Lowell's time of 4:19.50 was good enough to win the 1600. Wojciakowski partnered with Krystal White, Dickerman and Plattner.

The Red Arrows' win in the 400-meter completed Lowell's sweep of the relay events. The team of Amanda Grochowalski, Krashawn McElveen, Devon Collins and Huyser carried the baton home in 52.61.

White swept the sprint events as she won the 100- (13.25) and 200-meter (27.30) dashes.

In the 110 hurdles, Kent claimed top honors, coming home in 16.26.



Lowell's Natalie Kent clears the final hurdle on her way to winning the 110 hurdles.

Heather Becker and Nicole Gillikin won four of five field events. Gillikin was first in the pole vault (8') and the long jump (14'1").

Becker was victorious in the shot put (31' 1 1/2") and discus (82'6").

Lowell 103 Zeeland 34

In posting their highest dual meet point output of the season, the Red Arrows improved their O-K White conference record to 5-0 with a win over Zeeland.

Lowell won 13 of the 17 events in sprinting to victory. Sprinter Kim Huyser defeated teammates Devon Collins (13.68) and Amanda Grochowalski (13.80) with her winning time of 13.18.

Huyser also had a leg in Lowell's 400- and 800-meter relays.

Huyser, Krystal White, Natalie Kent and Grochowalski brought home the baton in 1:54.07 in the 800-meter relay.

In the 400 relay, Huyser, Collins, White and Grochowalski stopped the clock in 54.56.

Huyser finished second to teammate Jenna Dickerman (29.16) in the 200-meter dash with a time of 29.29.

Kent enjoyed a good day as she won the 110 hurdles, stopping the clock in 16.01.

The junior was also the lead leg in Lowell's victorious 1600-meter relay. She teamed with Kent, Krashawn McElveen, Holly Plattner and Lisa Wojciakowski for a time of 4:38.37.

Leslie Crowley won the high jump at a height of 4'11". Heather Becker swept the shot put (32'9") and discus (86'9").

Nicole Gillikin won the pole vault as she cleared 8'0. White was victorious in the 300 hurdles with a time of 51.80 defeating Telman (55.08).

It was Holly Plattner, Katie Clements, Kristin Lee and Sarah Vuong winning the 3200-meter relay, stopping the clock in 11:42.81.

Lowell track team loses meets to Central and Zeeland

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

On paper, Lowell ran against the best boys track team in the O-K White Monday.

The results of the Red Arrows' dual meet with Forest Hills Central proved it.

The Rangers coasted past Lowell 104-33. The Red Arrows managed just three firsts.

Dave Hefferan powered

his way past the field as he threw the discus a winning 141'4".

Matt Foster was victorious in the 400-meter dash, finishing in 53.53 seconds.

Mark Catlin claimed top honors in the 200-meter dash, stopping the clock in 22.91.

Wes Tweedale cleared 10'6" in finishing second in the pole vault.

Travis DeVoid's throw of 94'2" earned the Red Arrow a

second in the shot put.

Steve Ellison came home in 11:06.93, placing him second in the 3200-meter run.

Zeeland 65 Lowell 62

Lowell led by three (49-46) with four events to go.

The Chix and the Red Arrows each won two... however, Zeeland outscored Low-

ell 19-13 to earn a three point victory.

"It was a good meet. It was a fun meet," said Lowell boys track coach, Russ Stevens. "Zeeland's distance and hurdle teams were just too strong for us."

The Red Arrows were almost able to make up for it in the sprints and sprint relays.

Mark Catlin won the 100 (11.47) and 200 (23.83) meter dashes.

Matt Foster gave a strong performance in the 400, com-

ing home in a winning time of 53.68.

The Red Arrows also won the 800-meter relay. Catlin, Foster, Jordan Moore and Nate Parnofiello carried the baton home in 1:35.74.

In the 400-meter relay, it was Travis DeVoid, Catlin, Moore and Parnofiello winning by over a second at 45.58.

The team of Zach Stauffer, Matt Tschaenn, Craig Carpenter and Foster easily won the 1600-meter relay with a time of 3:40.86.

Lowell also found success in the field events.

DeVoid won the shot put with a throw of 44' 3 3/4".

Moore was victorious in the long jump, with a mark of 18' 10 1/2". John Howard won the high jump clearing 5'6". Ben Lemke placed second at 5'4".

Other second place finishes included, Dave Hefferan, discus, 131' 6 1/2"; and Andy Roberts, 110 hurdles, 16 seconds.

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Cooper's Eagle Scout project a sign of the times

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Scott Cooper of Boy Scout Troop 102 completed his

Eagle Scout project Saturday near the historic Covered Bridge in Fallsburg Park. Helping Cooper erect the

North Country Trail national park sign were fellow members of Troop 102. In searching for a project,

Cooper said he read a story in the local paper about the North Country Trail and from that, called the office to see if there was something he could help them with.

"I've been planning the project since last September," Cooper said.

The sign will be used to post trail information for hikers, according to Paula Wilbur, manager of North Country Trail's Lowell trail.

With his Eagle project complete, Cooper needs just two more badges before he earns the Eagle Scout ranking. "I should have those completed by the middle of summer," said the 17-year-old junior at Lowell High School.



Scott Cooper takes some measurements as he and his fellow scouts worked on the North Country Trail sign.



Helping Cooper, second from the right, on Saturday were, from left: Otto McNaughton, Brad Plaat, Mark Johnson, Eric Cooper, Tom Doll and Eric Mundt. Not pictured is troop 102 leader, Bill Brock.

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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Baseball team drops a pair

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

A pre-season concern before the season was realized by the Lowell baseball team in O-K White losses to Forest Hills Northern and Hudsonville.

Poor defensive play and light hitting hindered the Red Arrow effort in a 13-2 loss to the Huskies and a 14-2 loss to Hudsonville. Both games were shortened to five innings due to the 10-run mercy rule.

"We committed 10 errors against Northern and had just one hit," Lowell coach,

Linksters third at Huskie Inv't'l

Playing without its top golfer, Lowell placed ninth of 13 in a field of some of Michigan's best high school girls golf clubs at the Jenison Invitational Saturday.

At the par 72 Meadows course, Greenville posted an impressive 346 to outdistance its closest competitor, East Grand Rapids 361. Forest Hills Northern followed with a 367. Lowell finished at 420. Jeannie Dunn led the

Tim Antel said. "We only had three hits against Hudsonville, although the boys played better defense."

Northern scored 12 runs in the opening four innings, with only two of them earned.

Lowell ace, Brad Eldridge (4-1) suffered his first defeat of the season.

Hudsonville pounded out 11 hits against Lowell pitching, four of which went for extra bases.

Lowell hurler, Ryan Nugent set down the Eagles one-two-three in the first inning.

Lowell foursome with an 18-hole score of 100, followed by Jackie Estes 104, Erin Mooney 107 and Tara Kuipers 109.

On Friday at the Huskie-Ram Invitational, the Red Arrows (386) placed third behind Forest Hills Northern 353 and Rockford 358.

Jenny Gunberg placed sixth overall as she carded a round of 88. Jeannie Dunn was 10th overall with a 94.

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HELP WANTED - Part time summer help needed for Saturdays & Sundays. CDL license required. Apply within: **Bernard's Ace Hardware, 1601 W. Main St., Lowell, MI 49331.**

PUT YOUR PC TO WORK - \$25-\$75 per hour. PT/FT. Full training provided. Call 1-888-258-5319.

LOOKING FOR A CHANGE? - We have an answer. Be self-employed. Set own hours. Complete Training Provided. Free Info. seekyourdream.com 1 800-810-7311.

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FOR SALE

FOR SALE - 1989 3/4 Ton Dodge Ram pickup, in great shape, mechanically excellent, 60,000 original miles. \$4,800 obo. Call 616-527-1379.

FOR SALE - 1 year old Sheltie pup. No shots, \$180. Call 450-9959.

'98 HONDA SHADOW CLASSIC 750 - 8,000 miles, showroom clean, 2 new helmets. 745-3021.

FOR SALE - '91 Dodge Dynasty. Good condition asking \$1,500 obo. Please call 616-984-2486.

VACANT LAND FOR SALE - Heavily wooded, Lowell Twp., walkout suitable, just under 1 acre. Terms available. \$34,900. Call 813-245-7746.

LOWELL - New 3 bedroom, 2 bath condos overlooking woods. Starting at \$129,000. Call The Hanson/Breuker Team at Grand Rapids Real Estate at 878-7170.

TOP 50 DISH NETWORK PROGRAMMING - only \$22.99 per month. No equipment to buy. Free installation. First time customers only. Call Tom's Satellite Systems 897-2016.

BANTAM ROOSTERS - to give away for 4H projects. Call 868-2008.

1988 STERLING DOUBLE WIDE (28x52) - in Key Heights. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, new stove, refrigerator, washer/dryer, dishwasher, central air, new ceiling fans, 2 skylights, 12 x 16 shed & 12 x 24 deck \$38,000 obo. Call after 6 p.m. 308-9451.

FOR SALE - '85 Custom Chevy short box, 350 engine, lots of new parts, low mileage, runs good, 4 in. body lift, nice rims, 3 speed, vinyl snap bed cover, body good condition. \$5,500 or best offer. Call for an appointment 897-5413.

FOR SALE BY OWNER - 11311 Fay St., Key Heights, Lowell - Spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath modular home. Oak trim, central air, delux appliances, many extras. Beautiful corner lot. Bought new 2 years ago and has over 2 years left on the 5-year extended warranty. \$35,000. (616) 975-9988.

LOWELL FLYING CLUB - is offering 1/10 share in a beautiful 1993 MX-7 Maule "tail dragger" STOL aircraft. Call today to reserve a position in this exclusive, limited membership, managed, flying association. Call 897-1538.

COMMERCIAL SPACE FOR LEASE - Alto area on M-50, 12,000 sq. ft., w/retail counter, offices, storage, garage w/hoist, parking. Zoned industrial, \$3,000 per month. Call 293-2814 or 868-6213.

CEDAR LOG BED - Queen w/mattress set (never used) push firm! Cost \$900, sell \$185/best 517-626-7089.

FOR SALE - 1988 32 ft. Prowler 5th wheel & jacks, hitch, awning, \$7,500. 698-6027 Dutton.

AMISH KING LOG BED - w/mattress (bought, never used) Cost \$1,200. Sell \$185/best 517-626-7089.

CARPETING - Oatmeal berber, 80 yards bought never used. Cost \$960, sell \$395/best 517-712-2714.

FOR SALE - Lowell Township. Lovely 3 bedroom, 2 bath on secluded 4 acres. Drywalled manufactured ranch, upgraded master bath w/whirlpool, newly remodeled kitchen & breakfast nook w/hardwood floor. Exceptionally well maintained. Immediate possession. Open House Tues. & Thurs. 4 - 6 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 10am. - 3 pm., 9920 36th St. 530-3984.

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FOR RENT

DUPLEX FOR RENT - Bright 2 bedroom upper, w/laundry hook-up & deck. \$525 a month plus deposit & utilities. No pets. 897-8504.

FOR RENT - 1 bedroom apartment, \$400 a month includes all utilities, Saranac. Call 642-0434.

BED & BREAKFAST - McGee Homestead. Gracious accommodations for your out-of-town guests. Gift certificates available. Call 897-8142 or www.iserv.net/~mcgeeab.

LOST CAT - fluffy white with dark tail & ears. Daughter's pet. Reward. 897-9184.

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WANTED

MORELS - Will pay reasonable amount for whereabouts of morels in Lowell area. Call Linda 897-9202.

WANTED - Truck cap for '99 Dodge Ext. cab, aluminum or fiberglass. Call 897-6791.

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CARD OF THANKS

THANK YOU
The Lowell Area Fire Dept. would like to thank Lee's Towing for providing us with cars to practice on.

THANK YOU
Thank you to everyone who did so much to ease our pain at the sudden death of our mother. Whether it was flowers, a card, memorials in her name, prayers, or just a thought, your expressions of sympathy meant so much! Special thanks to Grattan Fire and Rescue for their efforts; to Father Ron Hutchinson of St. Patrick's for his words of comfort; and Dave Pederson of Pederson Funeral Home for all his help. If we miss anyone personally, please know that we are grateful.
The family of Irma Mooney Malone

QUALITY COLLISION REPAIRS - Let Bob's Body Shop repair your vehicle to factory specifications, using their new electronic measuring machine along with expert paint matching. Rental cars available while yours is being fixed. Call 897-9040 for details.

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R, P & J LAWN MOWING - Call us for your needs. 616-893-4816 or 868-6485 or 949-3591.

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QUICKBOOKS BOOKKEEPING SERVICE - and advisor. Call Kathy 897-0686.

CAMPBELL'S SANDBLASTING FABRICATION & TRAILER REPAIR - Call 642-3809.

LITTLE - Cleaning services, residential & office buildings, weekly or bi-weekly. Spring cleaning available. Call Dawn 616-693-0001 cell 616-862-3299.

NEW DOG GROOMING SALON OPEN IN ALTO - Call for appt. today, 868-0215, ask for Jeanne. Bring this ad & save \$3!

\$164 MOVES YOU IN! - The realtors we work with have a list of over 85 homes for sale where the seller may accept \$164 total down payment & pay ALL buyers closing costs. Homes available from \$59,900 to \$199,000. Call Scott or Michelle at (800) 282-0325 ext. 313 or 616-464-1348 to pre-qualify. CTX MORTGAGE COMPANY.

LICENSED DAYCARE - now accepting all ages for full or part time care. Open 24 hrs. Low rates, 4 miles NE of Lowell on Lowell or Saranac bus routes. Meals provided, FIA accepted, lg. play area indoors & out. Suzzie 897-0482.

RESIDENTIAL PLUMBER - Service or new construction, reasonable rates. Call 897-2575.

CHRISTOPHER'S TREE/SHRUB SERVICE - removals, proper pruning, yard cleanup, garden tilling. Small jobs welcome. 868-1614.

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2 YOUNG MEN & A LAWNMOWER - Yard work wanted. Equipment provided. Call 893-7962.

ASAP - New construction cleaners, residential & commercial buildings. Insured sub contractor. Free estimates. Contact Bonnie 616-374-1180 cell 616-838-1644.

TOWING - Servicing Lowell & surrounding areas. Flat bed & wrecker, Tire changes, Jump starts, Lock outs, 24 Hr. service. Call Lincoln Lake Autos 897-9040.

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RENTERS! WHY RENT WHEN YOU CAN BUY? - Over 60 different zero/low down payment programs available. Example: Employed with average credit, \$761.23 a month buys a \$99,000 home with zero down, 30 year @ 8.5% APR. Call Scott or Michelle at (800) 282-0325 ext. 313 or 616-464-1348 to pre-qualify. CTX MORTGAGE COMPANY.

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SALES

MOTHER'S DAY ARTS & CRAFTS EXTRAVAGANZA - West Catholic High School, 1801 Bristol NW, Grand Rapids, Sat., May 11, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. 75¢ admission, 180 booths! Senior Spring Flower Sale - luncheon. Proceeds go toward "Project Falcon."

SUMMER LEAGUES

Start 2nd Week In May

TUESDAY NITE:

Family Night
4 per team

WEDNESDAY

NIGHT:
Mixed League
4 per team

THURSDAY NIGHT:

Men's & Women's
4 per team

BOWLING BALL LEAGUE:

(Every bowler receives
a Free Storm Ball at the
end of the season)

GLOW BOWLING

Every Friday Night
9:30-11:30 P.M.

Tobacco/Alcohol Free! \$30 per lane
Free shoe rental

CONGRATULATIONS!

HIGH SCORES FOR LEAGUE 32-WEEK SEASON 2001-2002

	HIGH ACTUAL GAME	HIGH ACTUAL SERIES		HIGH ACTUAL GAME	HIGH ACTUAL SERIES
MONDAY MEN'S CLASSIC					
	Ryan Johnson.....279	Brad Yeomans.....739			
	Brian Kenyon.....279				
MONDAY ALLEY CATS					
	Donna Tyler.....234	Donna Tyler.....611			
MONDAY MISFITS					
	Patti Alderink.....232	Kay Trowbridge.....565			
TUESDAY LOWELL JILLS					
	Joann Denkema.....223	Sally Eickhoff.....557			
TUESDAY BOOZERS					
	Gordon Stark 267	Bill Richter.....666			
TUESDAY MIXED					
Men	Thomas Boersen.....279	Thomas Boersen.....702			
Women	Jeni Buck.....205	Jeni Buck.....505			
WEDNESDAY MISFITS					
	Mike Horian.....300	Mike Horian.....791			
WEDNESDAY OUTCASTS					
	Janice Frasier.....264	Karon Smith.....609			
WEDNESDAY ALL THUMBS					
	Julie Klahn.....212	Sue Osterhaven.....544			
THURSDAY MEN'S HIGH ROLLERS					
	Evan Timmerman.....276	Cass Kilyanek.....679			
THURSDAY NIGHT MEN'S					
	Keith Buck.....270	Steve True.....725			
WOMEN'S HIGH ROLLERS					
	Kim Russell.....235	Gina Ayers.....629			
FRIDAY MORNING MIXED					
Men	Ed Warner.....278	Aaron Phillips.....621			
Women	Melissa Martin.....172	Melissa Martin.....466			
SATURDAY CBeR's					
Men	Thomas Alberts.....259	Thomas Alberts.....710			
Women	Becky Nurenburg.....257	Becky Nurenburg.....629			
FLANAGAN'S					
Men	Carl Stanford.....258	Chris Miedema.....624			
Women	Lori Shepard.....212	Lori Shepard.....579			
LOWELL NAZARENE					
Men	Paul Dzwonek.....234	Tim Ballard.....615			
Women	Sue Everitt.....187	Sue Everitt.....503			
E.O.S. NIGHT LIVE					
Men	Chris VanDyke.....244	Chris VanDyke.....663			
Women	Brigid Mauric.....203	Brigid Mauric.....529			
SATURDAY MIXED FRIENDS					
Men	David Vanderboon....252	Bob Boersen.....631			
Women	Susan Mulder.....222	Susan Mulder.....548			
SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE					
Men	Ross Starkweather...276	Ben Ayers, Sr.....705			
Women	Gina Ayers.....289	Gina Ayers.....714			
SUNDAY NIGHT MIXED					
Men	Ron Morden.....258	Fred Cribley.....679			
Women	Joan Pfishner.....231	Kris Morden.....540			
SUNDAY AFTERNOON MIXED					
Men	Gary Laux.....247	Sam Roudabush.....594			
Women	Bonnie Roudabush...220	Carole Sanocki.....543			
JUNIOR MAJOR					
Boys	John Stuckey.....245	Nathan Sloan.....648			
Girls	Rachel Nawrocki.....225	Tara Kuipers.....550			
BANTAM PREP					
Boys	Josh Drake.....194	Tommy Alberts.....476			
Girls	Kristin Bouwhuis.....140	Kristin Bouwhuis.....349			
BUMPER					
Boys	Jarred Kraus.....111	Jarred Kraus.....200			
Girls	Amber Cook.....117	Sydney Fox.....215			

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