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### PURforms to purchase original section of Newell

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

With the closing and/or downsizing of Family Fare, Newell Manufacturing and Attwood Corp. all within the last year, the city of Lowell was in need of some upbeat economic news.

The announcement that a group of investors purchased what was formerly Newell Manufacturing, right before the end of last year, filled that void.

The good economic news doubled recently when city officials learned that an offer to purchase 65,000 square feet (original section) of the Newell building was accepted by investors.

The purchase offer was tendered by PUR forms, a custom molder of polyurethanes, currently located at 835 Hall

St. in Grand Rapids. An early March closing on the transaction will make it official.

The polyurethanes can be flexible, i.e., such as seat cushions, gaskets; or integral skin polyurethanes, i.e., steering wheels, armrest console coverings and floor mats; or a mold rigid poly foam for structural applications.

Incorporated in 1995, PURforms currently employs

32 people and runs three shifts in a 25,000 square foot build-

"We anticipate expansion and increasing our number of employees," said PURform president, Rick Raimor.

PURforms customers include Crown Equipment, Steelcase, Maytag and 3-M.

"I anticipate the move will allow us to choose from a better employee base and it will improve the quality of life for my family," Raimor explained. The president grew up in Saranac and his family is a member of the First Baptist Church of Lowell.

Once closing has taken place, Raimor says his company will start moving immediately.

"We'll have to coordinate the move with our customers. The move can't inconvenience them or shut them down," Raimor said. "We'll have to operate out of both facilities initially."

The group of investors who purchased the Newell building is working with the city in order to split the facility into two parcels (65,000 and 46,000 square feet).

"The city of Lowell understands and shares the same vision as the investors - redeveloping the manufacturing facility and bringing in jobs," said John Kuiper, vice president of Grubb Ellis Paramount (commercial real estate firm) and a representative of the ownership entity.

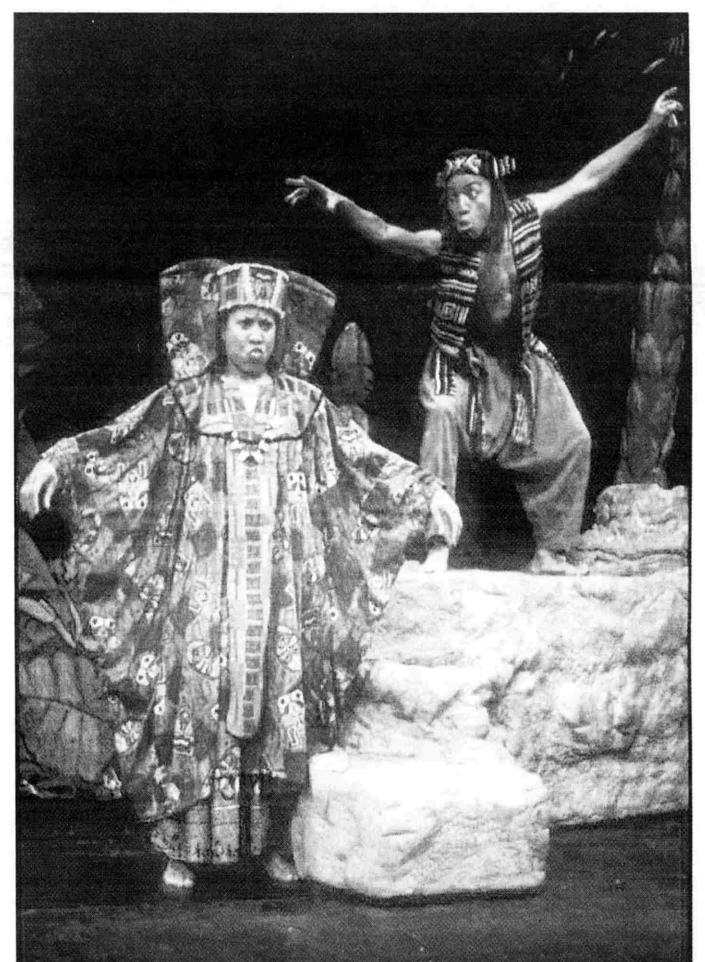
"By allowing us to split the parcel, it got the facility down to a manageable size. We're not seeking a variance, instead a clarification on the zero lot line splits."

Kuiper said the building was on the market for approximately nine months.

Grubb Ellis Paramount is currently seeking to market the 440,000 square foot Attwood facility for sale or

"I envision an ideal reuse for the Attwood facility would be for a perspective purchaser to pare down the facility into 60-100,000 square foot sections," Kuiper said.

Attwood currently uses a section of the building for its marine application manufacturing division.



### Tales of Earth and Sky

The Lowell Area Arts Council, in partnership with Circle Presents, offers "The Dallas Children's Theatre production of "African Tales of Earth and Sky."

Originating from the campfires of Ghana, the one-hour musical is a blend of vibrant costumes, pulsating rhythms, storytelling, and dance. "Why Does the Lion Roar," and "Why Do Lightning and Thunder Live in the Sky," as well as other tales about courage, bravery, friendship and pride, are highlighted.

The performance is Friday, Feb. 28 at 7 p.m. at the Lowell Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for children. LAAC members pay \$8 for adults and \$6.50 for children.

### Alto men arraigned in brick throwing incident

The Kent County Sheriff Department an incident on I-96 in which a brick was crimes as Kooiman. thrown into the windshield of a moving vehicle.

is being lodged in the Kent County Correctional Facility on two counts of assault with than murder and two counts of felonious assault. Bond was set at \$500,000 cash/ surety. He was arraigned on Monday and a 2:30 p.m. in the 63rd District Court, Cas-

Jack Aaron Swick, 16, of Alto, was ararrested three suspects in connection with raigned as an adult and charged with the same

The third adult arrested had charges dropped. There is a fourth person that investi-Jeffrey Douglas Kooiman, 18, of Alto, gators need to question and interview in this incident.

Vickie Prantle, 46, of Greenville, and her the intent to commit great bodily harm less 20-year-old daughter, Sarah Prantle were returning home from Grand Rapids on I-96 on Friday (Feb. 21).

Traveling eastbound under the Morse Lake preliminary exam was set for March 10 at overpass, a brick came through the windshield

Brick Throwing, cont'd. pg. 8

### City promotes preventive measures in fight against sewer backups

By J.N. Boorsma

Contributing Writer

In an effort to help promote the use of such devices as backwater valves and drain floats, the city will be giving some residents drain floats as a preventive measure in sewer backups.

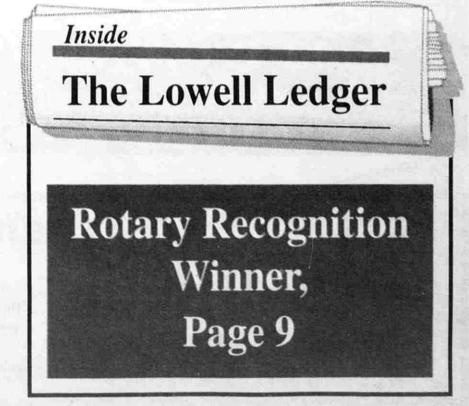
At the city council's Tuesday night meeting, Public Works director, Dan DesJarden said he wanted \$500 to purchase drain floats to be given to residents identified as having a sewer backup due to a city or other related problem. His plan was to give one to each resident who has been identified with the problem since 1997, a to-

tal of 32 homes. A drain float can run from

\$11.88 for a 2-inch drain. The device fits in a drain. When the sewer starts to back up, the float automatically pushes

\$8.49 for a 3-inch drain to a seal into the drain to prevent the sewage from going into the home.

Sewer Backups, cont'd. pg. 8



### **OBITUARIES**

COUGHLIN - Nettie sisters Betty Lambert, Vir-Coughlin, aged 80, of Sa-ginia Noble; 39 grandchilranac, passed away February dren; 49 great-grandchildren 18. 2003. She was preceded and two great-great-grandin death by her son Fred and sons. Private services will be daughter Mary. Mrs. held in Big Bay, Ml. Coughlin is survived by her children Sonny (Kelly) OLSEN - Keith A. Olsen. Fetterhoff, Loretta Fetterhoff, aged 47, of Belding, died Sun-Frank Fetterhoff, Lois day, February 16, 2003, athis (Albert) Fortin, Jenny home. He was born Septem-(George) Boyce, Sandee ber 13, 1955, in Greenville, (Tomas) Arizola, Pat (Sandy) the son of Richard and Joyce Fetterhoff, Cathy Barkes, Geister Olsen. He attended

Harold (Maureen) Fetterhoff: Greenville schools and

Thad Kraus

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ing husband, father and grandfather and will be greatly missed by his family

vices for Keith will be and friends. He was married Wednesday at 1 p.m. at Shiloh on Dec. 31, 2002, to Lisa Roskamp and she survives Community Church with Pasalong with his children tor Kendall Harger officiat-Meredith "Mickey" Bunker ing. Interment in the spring in of South Carolina, Melinda Sidney Cemetery. Memorial and Tim Ayres of Clare, Chris contributions may be made Olsen and fiance, Robin Cox to the Michigan United Conof Stanton; grandchildren servation Club. Alisha, Matthew, Rebecca Brendan, Brandon, Chris, Is- RILEY - William C. Riley, aged 85, of Wyoming, went rael, Paige, Britney, Haley; parents Joyce and Ronald home to be with the Lord. McMichael of Lakeview and Friday, February 21, 2003. Dick and Nancy Olsen of Mr. Riley was a veteran of Greenville. He is also sur- World War II, serving in the knit treasures and will be revived by his brothers and sis- Army, where he received a ters Wesley C. Olsen of Purple Heart and fought in Sheridan, Jeffrey L. and the invasion of Normandy. Nancy Olsen of Howard City, He also retired from Kroger Lynn Everett and friend, Jake Stores. Surviving are his wife Jacobitz of Whitehall, Connie Barbara; his daughters Lynne Jo and Gary Frisbie of (David) Barkel of IN, Robin Middleville, Kendra S. and (Danny) Brown of NV; step-Greg Dhaene of Belleville, children Lynn (Joanne) IL, Carol and Ben Nielsen of Hillard of Lowell, Wendy Belding, Christine Swanson (Keith) Kimmel of Wyoming; and fiance Tom Butterworth four grandchildren; six stepof Greenville, Chad Olsen of grandchildren; nine step-Greenville, Ronald B. and great-grandchildren; one sis-Denise McMichael of Wyo- ter Helen Stevenson of KY; ming, Michael and Pam one brother-in-law Ruggles McMichael of Wyoming, (Nancy) Harrington of Wyo-Daniel and Lisa McMichael of Dorr, Jerald McMichael of held Monday at the Matthysse Wyoming and Terri and Mike Kuiper DeGraaf Funeral

was a member of the North

American Fishing and Hunt-

and fishing. Keith was a lov-

worked for 25 years at brother and sister-in-law

Frigidaire in Greenville. He Michael and Donna Roskamp

ing Club and loved hunting Martha Roskamp of Lowell;

and their children; his mother

and father-in-law David and

grandmother-in-law Anna

Marie Roskamp; many

nieces, nephews, cousins and

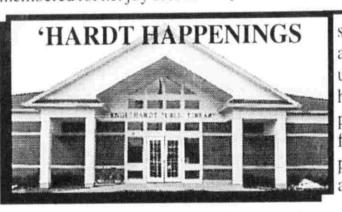
many friends. Funeral ser-

Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. Memorial contributions may be made to the Disabled American Veterans or Sunset Park Church of God.

ROSEMA - Lois June Rosema, aged 81, of Grand Rapids, went to be with her Lord Thursday, February 20, 2003, following complications from a seven-year courageous struggle with multiple strokes. Born on May 2, 1921, in Muskegon to Jack and Eunice Vos. She married William J. Rosema in 1941. William owned and operated the Fulton Heights Hardware Store for 25 years. Lois was a member of the Butterworth Guild Assoc. where she volunteered for over 30 years. She left behind many hand membered for her joy of read-

death by her loving husband William. She will be sadly missed by her children Larry (Char) Rosema, Jerry (Penny) Rosema of Lowell. Rocky (Darlene) Rosema. Robert (Dionel) Rosema. Arlene (Scott) Graham: 17 grandchildren and 15 greatgrandchildren of whom she was very proud; a loving and special sister Sharlene (Douglas) DeBlaay; two brothers Dave (Jacqueline) Vos and Vern (Ruth) Vos; many nieces and nephews. Funeral services including committal were held Monday at the Zaagman Memorial Chapel North with the Rev. John Delgerofficiating. Private interment Rest Lawn Memorial Park. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Michigan.

She was preceded in



SUPER SCIENCE DAY COMES TO THE LIBRARY

The Alto branch library will be inviting kids to explore the fascinating world of science during Super Science Day. This fun-filled hour of

science, for ages six and ip, features ands-on experiments, inormative resentations

home projects.

It will be offered on Saturday, March 8 at 10 a.m. For more information call 647-3820. For other locations and times, call 784-2007.

#### PAJAMA STORYTIME IN MARCH

The Englehardt branch library will host Pajama Storytime on Tuesday, March 11 at 6:30 p.m. It is filled with books, poems, songs and activities centered on a certain theme. Children attend ing may come with their favorite stuffed animal and wear their pajamas if they

The program is designed for children ages six and under, and an adult must accompany children three and under. Registration is required. Call 647-3920.

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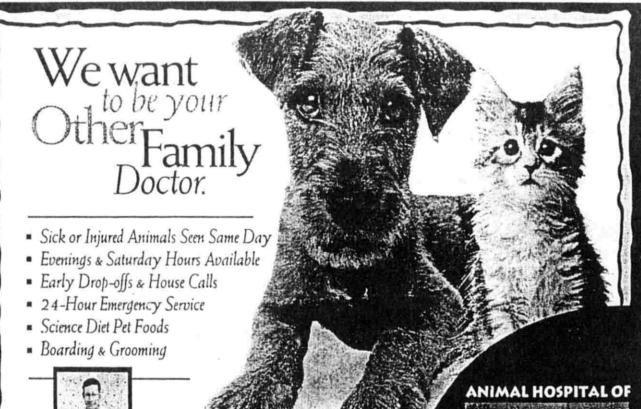
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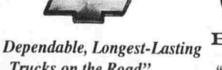
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### City changes zoning requirements in suburban residential

By J.N. Boorsma Contributing Writer

Hoping to encourage new housing developments, the Lowell City Council unanimously agreed to reduce the size of the lots in suburban residential.

The proposal came after a lot of study by the Lowell at this time. Planning Commission, much of it done by former planning commissioner John VanderWilp, which examined lot size requirements of the city's suburban residential with those of surrounding communities. VanderWilp discovered that even compared with the townships, the city's from 35,000 square feet to 23,000 square feet, still allowing the issue needed to be addressed. for about half an acre of property.

communities," VanderWilp said.

One resident, Mark Bowman, of 410 James Street, said he wanted to know how this would affect the proposed Sundry development on High and James streets. The council said this proposal would have no effect since the developers are moving ahead with a planned unit development (PUD) for the project

Mayor Jeanne Shores said the Sundry project was not the nemesis behind the creation of this ordinance either.

"Even when I was on the planning commission, we were talking about this," Shores said, adding that what it came down to was that the planning commission discovered it was making lot sizes were larger. The change would decrease the size a lot of variances for this, therefore the commission realized

Several residents expressed concern that this would only oped "This falls right in line with that of the neighboring overpopulate the area. City manager, David Pasquale said the change in lot size is only for the suburban residential area. The

proposed ordinance changes also included a reduction in the front yard setback from 40 to 30 feet, an increase in the rear yard setback from 25 to 35 feet, and a decrease in the minimum lot width from 165 to 125 feet.

In both the residential R-1 and the suburban residential areas, the change would put into effect a new minimum dwelling unit floor area that would be 1,200 square feet for the main floor of a single level home and 780 square feet on the main floor of a multi-level home with total floor space being 1,400 square feet.

Councilman, Dan Brubaker felt the change was the most economical for the city and would perhaps allow some parcels that have remained undeveloped to be devel-

The council approved the change.



### **Scout** Honor

Lowell's first Eagle Scout, Sam Yeiter presented Lowell's newest Eagle Scout, Scott Cooper with an award from the VFW. Yeiter described his path to becoming an Eagle Scout back in 1935 to the members of Troop 102, their families and friends. He also reminded Scott of the slogan, "Once an Eagle Scout, Always an Eagle Scout."

Picture, Courtesy Bruce T. Doll

### Crop Walk Rally, March 13

The rally for Lowell Area 9th annual Crop Walk will be held on Thursday, March 13 at the First United Methodist Church of Lowell in the education wing.

Representatives from all area churches/organizations will be in attendance to kick off plans for the Crop Walk for Hunger Relief to be held on Sunday, May 4 at 1:30 p.m.

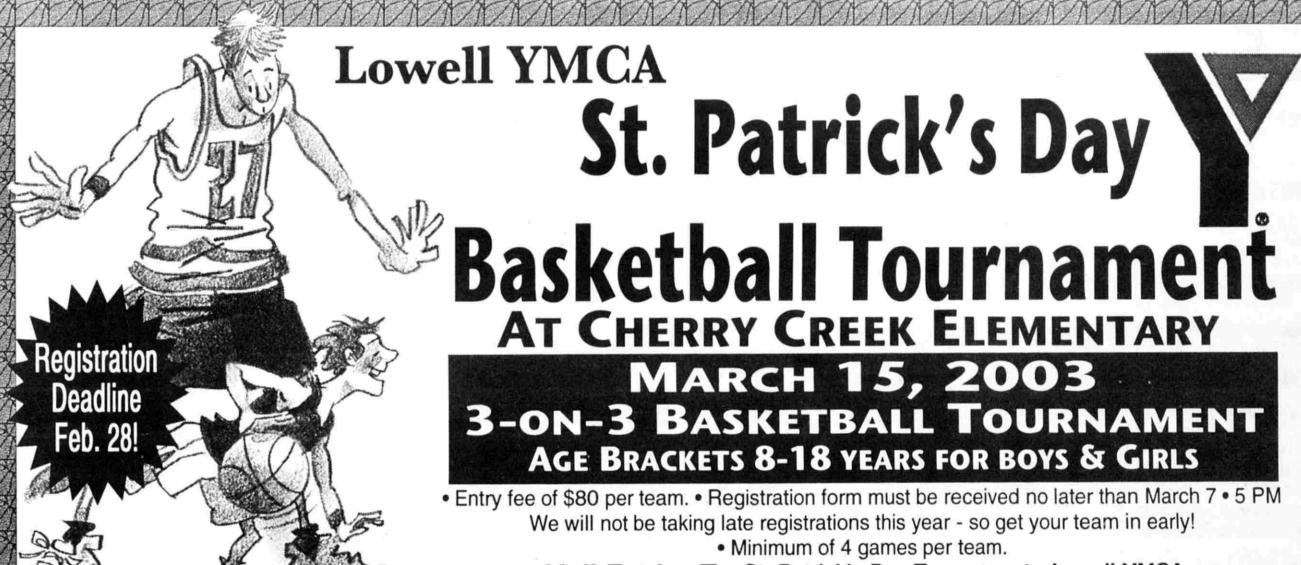
"If your group or organization would like to participate either by walking or sponsoring a group, please send a representative to this rally," said organizer, Jan Stuart.

Pledge sheets, promotion materials and information needed to make your walk efforts a success will be distributed at the rally, or call 897-5936.

Last year over \$28,000 was collected and over 317 sheets were turned in.

Of the funds that remained in the Lowell area, the Flat River Outreach Ministries received \$5,600 and the Senior Neighbors received \$1,400.

"Our goal for 2003 is to collect over \$30,000," Stuart said. "With the help of the Lowell community, we can meet and/or exceed this year's hunger walk goals."



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Of Faith

"Why don't we back-fill the

frammis and double-gird the

drangle and cross-connect the

sturgicle with the interior ple-

num?" the architect knows

one must never, NEVER at-

politely and say, "It isn't done

doesn't have to do what we

ask of Him! Can you imagine

one shudder to think of it.

go. I am sure He must smile.

shake His head in pity, and

sometimes even laugh out

loud. He is our designer, and

He knows what works for us.

and what doesn't. He can see

how everything works to-

gether, and for those who love

Him, He has promised to

make all things mesh for their

good (Romans 8:28)—not for

me, "I don't get it. I prayed in

Jesus' name. God knows I

needed that promotion, and I

was extremely sincere. I re-

ally believed I would get it:

there was no doubt in my

mind. Why didn't He answer

me?" That's what the person

Sometimes someone tells

hat they want.

How fortunate that God

Pastor Joe Fremer Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

These days we spend a fair amount of time looking not to listen to us. He may at architectural drawings, out patiently try to explain why at Good Shepherd. This spring we are going to build a tempt to do that with a drangle, new sanctuary and add some or he may just smile and nod classrooms. There are permits to get, bids to gather, loan that way." paperwork to complete; so we bend over these huge drawings and go, "I wonder what this squiggle here rep- what that would be like? If He resents?" Fortunately, the ar- were a genie who had to grant chitect and his engineers our wishes? Ugh! It makes

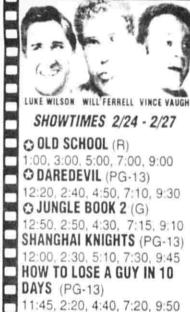
Some of us on the build- God is an architect, not a geing committee feel like we nie, and He listens to our know just enough to get into prayers always. But when we trouble. When we suggest, tell Him how our life ought to

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WED: Pancake dippers o assorted cereal, scrambled eggs, juice choice. hashbrown wedge.

THURS: Turkey and gravy or baked ham, whipped po tatoes, homemade dinner roll, fruit jello.

FRI: Macaroni & cheese or hot dog on bun, smooth applesauce, green beans cinnamon roll.

SAYS. What I HEAR is this: "I pushed all the right buttons and said the magic words in did answer! He answered, along with him, graciously the right order. The genie "Not this time, child." Most should have appeared to do likely, He withheld something my bidding!"

good thing too. Our sincerity ter that we need. Paul writes, or earnestness can not force "He who did not spare his trusted. And raising Him sturgicle!

His hand. Our doubts can not own Son, but gave him up for shorten His reach. And He us all-how will he not also, good that we craved, so He God isn't our genie, and a could give us something bet- Jesus pretty well establishes

give us all things?" (Romans 8:32 NIV). Ithink sacrificing His Son that God's motives can be

again from the dead proves that the Father knows what He's doing. "Thy will be done" means, "It's okay with me if You tell me no, God." He's the architect; He knows best. And He will never. NEVER cross-connect your



### Snyder/Hunt

Samantha Hunt and Aaron Snyder were married on July 27, 2002 at First Baptist Church of Lowell.

Parents of the bride are Michael and Janice Hunt of Clarksville. Parents of the groom are Michael Snyder and

Maid of honor was Amanda Hunt, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Beth Ludema, friend of the bride, Heather Mikelson, sister of the groom, and Liz Gerard, friend of the bride. Flower girls were Jenna Mikelson, niece of the groom, and Peyton Jankowski, cousin of the bride.

Best man was Matt Maatman, friend of the groom, with groomsmen Jeremy Snyder, brother of the groom, Tim Van Laan and Matt Rosenberger, friends of the groom. Ushers were Geoff Gerard, uncle of the bride, and Chris Hunt, brother of the bride. Ringbearer was Kyle Mikelson, nephew of the groom.

Master and mistress of ceremonies were Nikki and David Jankowski, aunt and uncle of the bride.



### Grover/Cardis

Jason Cardis and Jamie Grover are pleased to announce their

The bride-to-be is the daughter of James and Barbara Austin of Lowell and Paul Denton of Wyoming. She is a customer service rep for State Farm Insurance in Comstock Park.

The future groom is the son of Jeff and Judy Cardis of Stanton. He is the assistant used car manager at Harold Zeigler ord in Lowell.

The couple will be exchanging vows on May 22, 2004.

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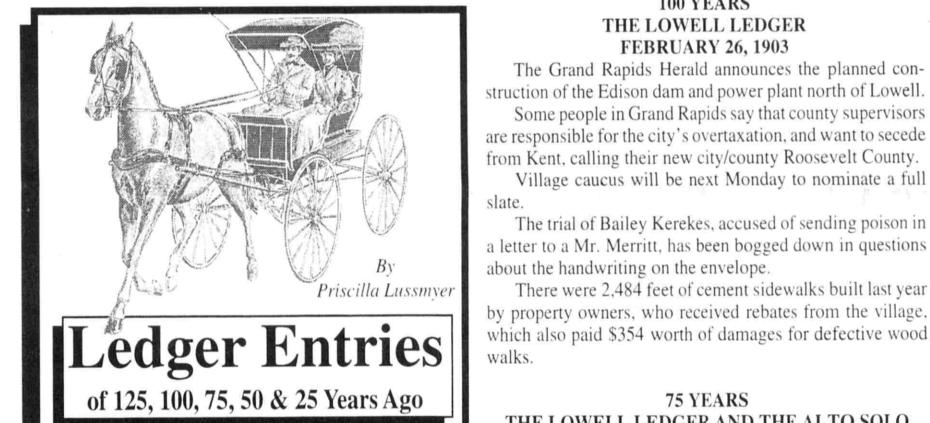
# Viewpoint



My wife has a 1977 MGB. I bought it for her in 1978 because she had taken a job and we needed a second car. It was just a year old, had only 4,800 miles on the odometer and seemed like a reasonable deal at \$4,500.00. It was also cute enough to qualify as an anniversary present ... it was our fifth. Besides, it was springtime and who was thinking about driving a rear-wheel-drive, two-seat, convertible to work during a Michigan winter?

As I said, we still have the car. I always figured it might be worth some money if I took care of it. The Brits haven't made an MG since 1980, and they still aren't worth much in the collector's market. Ours might be worth the \$4,500.00 we paid for it. That's not very good performance on my investment. Of course, that's considerably better than my retirement fund is doing these days.

The nice thing about owning an MG is the opportunity to use your tools whenever you want to drive it. Car buffs and aficionados might think they know what MG stands for. These wiseguys would say MG stands for Morgan's Garage. They would be wrong. MG is an acronym for Mechanic's Goldmine. Unless the owner is loaded (with cash), he had better plan on making a lot of repairs himself. Of course, it would be helpful if the owner had even a marginal mechanical aptitude. We all



#### 125 YEARS THE WEEKLY **JOURNAL FEBRUARY 27, 1878**

The Lowell Cornet Band has had its picture taken by local artist Chapman. Very handsome men.

The editor asks visitors to come to the office, not to the composing rooms where typesetters can be distracted from their work.

The Social Temperance Club here has rules forbidding profanity, gambling, discussion of religion or politics, and spitting on the floor, besides no games on Sunday.

The National Greenback Convention assembled at Toledo last week and managed to both approve and disapprove the silver bill passed by Congress.

A machine has been invented that knits a stocking in one piece in a minute.

Heath With Drs. Paul Gauthier, Jim Lang Wayne A. Christenson III & John G. Meier

#### OSTEOPOROSIS

Osteoporosis is a disease that causes loss of bone mass. When bones thin, they become more fragile and tend to fracture easily. It mainly affects older men and women, but can strike at any age. One out of every two women and one in eight men over 50 will have an osteoporosis-related fracture in their lifetime.

When osteoporosis becomes severe, these fractures tend

know my mechanical skills are out of the margin and off the

The latest dilemma with our MG has been with the brakes. When I braked for a stop sign and headed for the ditch, I knew it was time to check into my increasingly deteriorating brake

The brake system on a car is where? If you answered, "left of the gas pedal," you are blessed with my sort of mechanical know how. After reading the manual, I discovered that the brake system on this car is a hydraulically operated collection of lines, hoses, calipers, discs, drums, pads, shoes and socks. Further reading indicated that all this stuff is located, of all places, under the car. Have you ever tried to get under an MG? I can't fit my head under my MG, let alone any part of my body that might actually do some good.

I jacked the car up, a side at a time, and replaced the pads on the front disc brakes. I bled the brake line at a front wheel and went for a test drive. The front brakes were grabbing ... hard! The manual indicated air in the system as a possible cause. I bought some ramps and got the rear of the car up in the air. I then jacked up the front so I could perform the magical trick described in the manual as a complete four-wheel brake-

With my ample frame squished under the rear axle of the MG, I attempted to hold a light, a hose and a jar of brake fluid all while using a wrench to tighten and loosen the bleeder nut. I simultaneously bellowed, "depress" and "release" orders at my wife who was in the car operating the brake pedal. Sure, Houdini would have attempted this trick in a straight jacket, but he was a better showman than I am.

Not too far into the process I noticed a small puddle developing on the concrete floor near my head. Even my brake fluid addled brain sensed this was not right. I squeezed in for a better look, adjusted the light and hollered, "depress." A

The Grand Rapids Herald announces the planned con-

struction of the Edison dam and power plant north of Lowell.

from Kent, calling their new city/county Roosevelt County.

Village caucus will be next Monday to nominate a full

The trial of Bailey Kerekes, accused of sending poison in

There were 2,484 feet of cement sidewalks built last year

a letter to a Mr. Merritt, has been bogged down in questions

by property owners, who received rebates from the village,

which also paid \$354 worth of damages for defective wood

75 YEARS

THE LOWELL LEDGER AND THE ALTO SOLO

MARCH 1, 1928

Presidential candidate Herbert Hoover comes out squarely

A one-day Farm Management school at the Grand Rapids

Eighty percent of the total U.S. currency is in the form of

YMCA will show how to keep financial and inventory records.

50 YEARS

THE LOWELL LEDGER

**FEBRUARY 26, 1953** 

to occur with minimal stress or injury. These fractures tend to

occur in the spine, which lead to loss of height, chronic pain

and a "stooped-forward" posture. They may also occur at the

hip with minor trauma. This can lead to decreased mobility,

which can be detrimental to seniors. The good news is that

Factors you cannot change that put you at risk for os

teoporosis include: age, gender, ethnicity and family history.

Risk factors you can change include: poor diet, poor calcium

and vitamin D intake, inactivity, smoking and certain medica-

and continue throughout your lifetime. All postmenopausal

women, and at-risk men, should have a bone densitometry (or

DEXA scan) performed, in order to determine their bone

quality. If you presently have osteoporosis, make sure you are

being treated with one of the newer medications, in addition to

modifying your risk factors. Talk to your health care provider

about developing your own strategy to prevent and/or treat

Prevention of osteoporosis should begin at an early age

osteoporosis can be prevented and treated in most cases.

Pontiac agency in Lowell and moves back here.

Crocuses blossoming and first robin sighted may be signs

Jack Tornga, LHS graduate living in Toledo, buys the

about the handwriting on the envelope.

involved stop talking about another one."

in favor of Prohibition.

one-dollar bills.

of an early spring

small but forceful stream of brake fluid got me right in the

All MG owners keep a catalog called Victoria British in their reading room (next to the toilet). No, Victoria British is nothing like Victoria's Secret. You might find a bra for a MG in Victoria British, but it won't look much like the bras in Victoria's Secret. Victoria British is a rather thick catalog dealing only in MG parts. There aren't many MGs around anymore, but those that are left apparently need lots and lots

I found the leaky section of brake hose in the detailed drawing of the brake system for my model year and ordered it. It arrived a few days later. I spent the better part of a day fighting corroded nuts, barking knuckles and cursing the British engineers who had obviously lain awake nights dreaming up ways to hide fittings behind stuff.

Eventually, I got the new hose installed and called in my wife for the brake-bleeding stunt. Not far into the process I noticed a new puddle forming by the left front wheel. Sure enough, when I hollered "depress," a stream of fluid shot from a small hole in that hose. I kept my distance this time. Brake fluid in the eyes is a once-in-a-lifetime experience for me.

I consulted my Victoria British catalog. The hoses going to the front wheels are the only other rubber hoses in the system. I ordered both of them. The package arrived yesterday, and that's where I am in the process ... trying to find a day or two in my schedule to tackle the installation of two more hoses with rusty inaccessible fittings. You can bet there will be at least one more chapter to this MG brake episode.

The next time you read about the MG, we will hopefully be merrily driving around (and stopping) with the top down. That, or I will have shoved it out in the front yard, filled the cockpit with dirt and made a planter out of it.

Ground observers and others have seen a large silvery star 100 YEARS with red and gold streamers moving about the sky for an hour THE LOWELL LEDGER on the past four Sunday or Monday nights. FEBRUARY 26, 1903

Michigan finances village and township governments far more than any other state, and is working to reduce the financial burden. Some people in Grand Rapids say that county supervisors

Arizona Highways magazine, noted for its excellent color printing, features a Norton Avery photo on the inside cover.

#### 25 YEARS THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER MARCH 1, 1978

An energy crisis is brought on by a coal strike. Businesses are cutting numbers of lights and open hours.

Keiser's Kitchen gets the zoning change needed to expand restaurant seating capacity by 40.

The schools will conduct a telephone survey of about 400 calls this weekend about public attitudes toward the proposed millage increase.

Lowell Area Arts Council's first theatrical endeavor, "Arsenic and Old Lace," gets an enthusiastic reception. More plays will follow.

The Ledger acquires a new and larger offset press to cope with increased business. "The World War will never be over until all of the nations

### TO THE EDITOR

To the citizens of Lowell who have suffered damages to Martin Houseman is opening his new meat market on

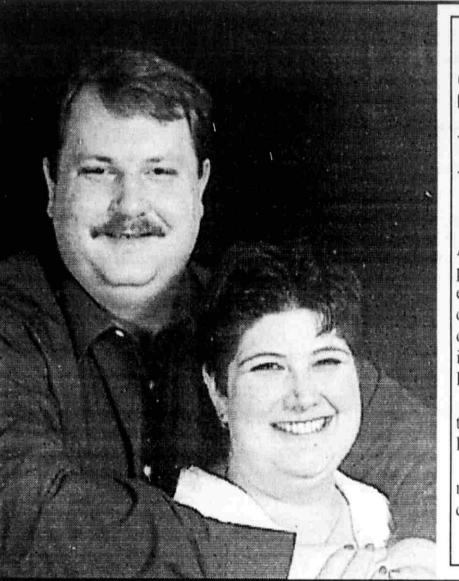
> It is that taxing time of year again. Not only are your personal income taxes due, but in this time frame, the basis for your property tax is determined. Every year, your assessment is quietly raised by local officials, usually without your input. Then you receive a notice of this assessment. A brief window follows, in which you can appeal your assessment (this year the appeals are heard on March 12 - call the city now for details). The actual tax bill comes much later in the year.

> Your assessment is increased based on a number of factors and assumptions, principal of which is that your property remains intact and fully functional. If you have suffered some damage or have a defect present in your property that decreases its market value, then you have the basis for an appeal.

> It is not relevant as to how your assessable property came to be damaged, only that it currently is damaged or defected. It matters not what your plans are, just on the present state of your property. If your property is not as it should be, then you should appeal.

> To appeal, call the Lowell City offices and request the procedure. Back up your reasons with estimates, facts, figures, comparisons, testimonials; anything you believe should be considered in your appeal. In small town governments such as Lowell, your reasonable arguments should be met with helpful, friendly officials ever ready to listen and lend you a hand. You can seek professional representation if you desire. If the local board happens to err against you, you can still appeal to the State Tax Tribunal which can overrule the local decision. If you have suffered damages, it will cost you if you don't exercise your rights.

Peter Vanderhorst



### Saladino/ Ham

Gail and Howard Acheson Jr. of Lowell are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen Saladino of Grand Rapids to William Ham, also of Grand Rapids.

Parents of the groomto-be are William and Peggy Ham of Greenville. The couple are plan-

ning an April 2003 wed-

Naval officer, Uzarski, swaps ships

Photo by David McKee

Naval officers to participate in the first of three crew swaps involving the destroyer USS Fletcher (DD 992) in Perth, Australia. The swap began in late January when the crew of

the recently decommissioned destroyer USS Kinkaid (DD 965) flew from their homeport in San Diego to relieve the crew of the Fletcher.

The Navy lieutenant left his duties as the electrical officer on Fletcher.

"I was in charge of nine people who repaired, maintained and ensured all electrical equipment," Uzarski explained

The Navy is using the three-crew, one vessel experiment to maximize the deployment of naval assets. Uzarski feels that the

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crew swap will help the Navy stay forward

"It allows ships to stay longer which will save the Navy money," Uzarski said.

The crew of Oldendorf (DD 972) will replace the new crew later this year. Because this program is still new, there were a few challenges that Uzarski had to overcome.

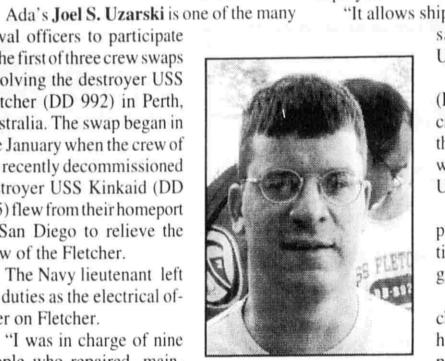
"Planning to do a complete turnover all at the same time was a challenge, but we got through it," Uzarski said.

challenges that Uzarski may have to face, but with the first part of the program completed, Uzarski is ready for

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what may come next.

Uzarski, 25, is the son of Steve and Linda



Uzarski of Ada.

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### Meijer joins flight in LAAC butterfly art project



Lowell Area Arts Council executive director, Lorain Smalligan accepted a check for \$3,000 from Meijer for the LAAC's butterfly public art program with

Lowell's elementary school children. The butterfly art project has served as an extension of the curriculum via teaching children about migration, symmetry and the life cycle.

Participating in the public art program were first, second-, third-, and fifthgrade classrooms from Alto and Bushnell elementaries.

Bushnell Elementary butterflies can be viewed at the following locations: Meijer, SandCastle Riverside, Ionia County National Bank, State Farm Insurance, Lowell YMCA, Lowell Township Hall, Flat River Antique Mall, Edward Jones Investments, Lowell Family Medical Center, Riverbend East Hairstyling Salon, Pottery Palace, Keiser's, Gary's Country Meats, Chimera Design, Frederik Meijer Gardens and D & L Tax Service.

Alto Elementary butterflies can be viewed at Huntington National Bank, Frederik Meijer Gardens, Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce, Alto Library, Lowell Township Hall, Englehardt Library, Lowell Area Schools Administration Building, Lowell Post Office, North Country Trails and Meijer.

The butterfly sculptures will remain on display at these locations until May 3 when they will be auctioned off at a public auction at Lowell High School beginning at 2 p.m.

For more information about the butterfly project, call the Lowell Area Arts Council at 897-8545.

Pictured, from left to right, are: Doug Meijer, co-chairman; Smalligan; VanHoven, store director; and Pam Carter, fashion line team leader.

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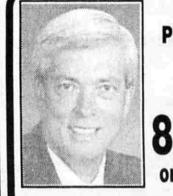
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#### VOLLEYBALL CHALLENGE AT LHS

Senior guys vs. junior guys volleyball challenge on Thursday, Feb. 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lowell High School main gym. \$3. All profits go to the senior class.

#### LOWELL LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

The chamber will offer a workshop on ethics in the workplace at Lowell Area Schools Administration office, 300 High St. on Feb. 27 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Call 897-9161 to

#### ONE-HOUR MUSICAL AT LPAC

Dallas Children's Theater production of "African Tales of Earth & Sky" will be on Friday, Feb. 28 at 7 p.m. in Lowell Performing Arts Center. Tickets are available at the Lowell face. Area Arts Council by calling 897-8545.



### **CITY OF** LOWELL **NOTICE OF MEETING** OF BOARD OF REVIEW

The Lowell City Board of Review will meet to receive and review the various Assessment Rolls for 2003 at City Hall on:

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2003

AT 9:00 A.M.

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2003 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M., AND 1:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M., if necessary

Appeals may be made by letter or on forms available at City Hall. Letters and/or forms must be submitted not later than March 7, 2003. A personal appearance is not required.

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

Commercial Property Industrial Property Residential Property Personal Property

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#### ROGER MACNAUGHTON QUARTET TO PERFORM

The Lowell Area Arts Council presents a musical evening at Deer Run Golf Course on March 1 from 7-10:30 p.m. The evening includes the Roger MacNaughton Quartet, light hors d'oeuvres/cash bar. Tickets: \$12.50; LAAC members, seniors and students: \$10. Call 897-8545.

#### LOWELL DAY IN LAKELAND

Join the Lowell seniors in Lakeland, Fla., on Sunday, March 2 at Huntington Hills Country Club, Duff Rd. Invite all your Lowell friends to the 1 p.m. buffet. Call Mary Peckham at 863-683-6336, Carmen Roudabush at 863-604-9093 or Barb Curtis at 863-682-7136.

#### COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION

Seniors may pick up commodities on Thursday, March 6 Deadline: March 1. at the Lowell Recreation Bldg. from 8-? Bring your new benefit amount with you for 2003.

#### FOODMOBILE DISTRIBUTION

Bldg., on S. Broadway on Saturday, March 8 from 10-noon or

until food is gone. Bring your own box or bag. Food (mostly produce) is available to anyone. Distributed by Flat River Outreach Ministries (FROM).

#### CROP WALK RALLY

Lowell Area 9th annual Crop Walk rally will be in the Education wing at First United Methodist Church on Thursday, March 13 at 7 p.m. Pick up pledge sheets, promotion materials for your group/organization. Call 897-5936 for more information on the May 4 Crop Walk.

#### SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR PERSON OF THE YEAR

If you would like to nominate someone for the Person of the Year, send it in writing to LACC, P.O. Box 224, Lowell 49331, by fax 897-9101 or by email info@lowellchamber.org.

#### WANTED: CRAFT EXHIBITORS

The Bridge Walk Committee of Grattan and Family, Friends and Neighbors Committee are looking for exhibitors The Foodmobile will be at the 4-H Fairgrounds, Foreman for the Craft and Collectibles Market Monday, May 26 at the Grattan Academy. Call Dianna Force at 691-6504 for info.

### Brick Throwing, cont'd... From Page 1

of their 1994 Chevy Blazer and struck Vickie Prantle in the

She was air lifted by Aero Med to Spectrum Health Butterworth Campus Trauma Center after sustaining severe facial and head injuries.

Sarah Prantle was not injured and both occupants were

It is believed that the brick was dropped from the overpass. Ionia County Sheriff Department's K-9 unit was requested to assist with a suspect track, which ended a short time later on Morse Lake Avenue near I-96.

Anyone with information regarding this accident is asked to call the Kent County Sheriff Department Detective Bureau at 632-6125 or Silent Observer at 774-2345.

The case is still under investigation.

### Sewer Backups, cont'd... From Page 1

DesJarden recommended purchasing the 3-inch drain and giving one to each of the residents as well as information on where to purchase additional floats if the home has more than one drain in the basement.

The basement is the area of concern since the sewage wouldn't go any higher than the lowest point in a home usually the basement, DesJarden explained "Nothing is guaranteed to prevent a backup," DesJarden

The issue for the city council was whether or not the city should supply the drain floats for anyone who called in with a sewer complaint. DesJarden said those calls aren't always related to sewer backups, i.e., a toy getting flushed in a toilet.

"I believe this a good faith effort," said councilman, Charles Myers who supported DesJarden's request.

The council agreed to run the program for a year and review it again to see whether it has had any impact.

Residents who are determined not to have a city-caused sewer backup would receive information on where to purchase drain floats. Also to assist residents, DesJarden has compiled a brochure on how to clean up following a sewer backup, much of which was received from the Kent County Health Department.

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Congratulations to our January Winner, Joni Robinson!



### **Comdure Wins! Comdure Wins!**

Vicki (Roth) Comdure was the winner of the Lowell Area Historical Museum's Rotary Recognition Contest. Comdure was able to correctly identify 25 of the 30 Rotarians pictured.

She will receive a dinner for-two gift certificate to the Flat River Grill for her effort.

Ron Story donated the photograph. The Lowell Area Historical Museum believes the photo was taken in 1937, as the license plate on the automobile in the photo is from that year.

The museum was unable to locate a published list of the Rotarians in the picture. However, prior to the contest, Charlie Doyle and Norm Borgerson identified 28 of the 30 men pictured. It is their list the museum used to identify those pictured.

Front row, left to right, are: C.H. Runciman, Ed Kiel, Lee Lampkin, Royden Warner, W.W. Gumser, Ernie Foreman, Harry Day, Wesley Roth, not identified, and Pat Beahan; back row are: Bob Hahn, Dr. B.H. Shepard, Dr. Autland, Bruce Walter, Paul Kellogg, Theron Richmond, Theo Bailey, Don McPherson, Lawrence Rutherford, Wilbur Burras, Howard Rittenger, Frank McMahon, George Story, Dr. McDonald, Rem Jeffries, Dr. Oatley, not identified, Frank Coons, George Harold and Chris





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tions. Of that number, only 32 were directly related to city

main lines backing up; four were for other causes and the

others were due to internal plumbing or the residences

dents to call him when they do have a backup because as in the

case of Howard Street, it helps the public works department

determine if there is something else the city should be looking

But the bottom line for DesJarden is that he wants resi-

### Multitude of issues on PUD causes planning commission to schedule another special meeting

By J.N. Boorsma Contributing Writer

After almost two and a half hours of listening to com- be best. ments and discussion, the Lowell Planning Commission decided there were simply too many concerns on the Highland Hills Planned Unit De- concerns to me by 5 p.m. velopment, opting instead for Monday and I will forward another work session March those concerns to Sundry so 10 to go over those concerns. they can prepare for the work

Sundry Development. which is proposing a 52-single family home development on commission had received nuproperty known as the merous documents from city Leeman property near the intersection of High and James Sundry and the city's engistreets, had hoped to get neering company Williams through the preliminary site and Works about the project plan review and the final site ... a lot of information to abplan review at Monday night's sorb in two days, said planmeeting. If that would have ning commission chair, Clark happened, the city council Jahnke. In the Williams and would then have to review the Works review compiled by plans and give its okay.

were comfortable enough to mended that the planning grant approval of a prelimi- commission not approve a finary site plan dated Feb. 18. nal site plan. but concerns raised by staff. residents and commissioners the information provided, overtraffic road construction there are a number of out-

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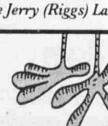
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that another work session to

raised by staff," said Lowell hearing on the final site plan hearings where the commiscity clerk, Betty Morlock. "Staff will need to have their to drainage to the issue of the the people and no one did,"

Last Friday, the planning attorney, Richard Wendt, David Austin and Kerwin Planning commissioners Keen, the engineers recom-

> "Based on our review of standing items to be addressed," stated the report. 'Given these, the fact that the planning commission has only a short time to review these final documents and taking into account any comments that may be received in the public hearing scheduled

into the project, and drainage for Feb. 24, we recommend most of the residents, howmade the commission decide that the planning commission ever, is that they feel their iron out those issues would dated package is submitted."

Several residents attended "There were a lot of things the meeting for the public voicing concerns from traffic West Nile Virus from standing water. The bottom line for adding that the residents didn't

table this item until an up- concerns have fallen on deaf ears when it comes to the Sun-

said she too felt her concerns had gone unanswered; her "I've come to the public biggest fear being the traffic sion is supposed to listen to said resident, Jane Mathews,

If the planning commis-

sion and Sundry can work out the issues, the final site plan Resident, Traci Mullins review will come before the planning commission at its March 24 regular meeting. If approved, the final site plan created from 52 homes on a will go before the city council road that can barely support for its approval.

### West Michigan Regional Competition worth "The Trip"

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

The trip to the 17th annual West Michigan Regional Competition will enable viewers to observe a high level of technical, creative, conceptual and aesthetic visual excellence.

Lowell Area Arts Council's annual competition opened on Feb. 16 and runs through March 22.

There were 60 pieces of art chosen for the show from the 280 submitted.

"Just 20 percent of the work submitted makes it into the show," said Lowell Area Arts Council executive director, Lorain Smalligan. "It's a challenge to get in the show. But, I also think that brings high quality artwork to Lowell. This competition has provided the LAAC with a strong reputation."

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MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2003

Between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 p.m.

and from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2003

Between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. and

from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. for the purpose of

reviewing the tax roll and hearing all claims

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valuation one of two ways:

1) To appear at the Board of Review, call on

Tuesday or Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2

p.m., (616) 897-7600, to schedule an

Lowell Charter Township

Debbie Rashid, Assessor

Must be received prior to March 7, 2003

Linda Regan

Lowell Charter Township Clerk

2910 Alden Nash S.E.

Lowell, MI 49331

appointment.

2.) By letter addressed to:



want the property to be re-

it was done anyway.

zoned to residential R-1, but

"The Trip" - Shelley Newman Stevens

tational pieces would appeal

to the general public and that

everybody can relate to the

concept of competitive

struggles," Stevens ex-

says imagery is the most dif-

ficult part of her work espe-

cially when painting

representationally. "It is so

important when conveying a

message," Stevens said. "I

must say that this was a good

experience and the West

Michigan Regional Compe-

tition is such a very well or-

The Grand Rapids' artist

Juror Lou Rizzolo, progan University, called the ening experience.

"All serious artists strive to create work that is finely crafted, creative, meaningful and aesthetically inspiring," Rizzolo explained. "As viewers, we need to engage with the conceptual nature and artistic dimensions of the artwork in this exhibition through intellectual and intuitive levels so as to sense namic forces and emotive

Such qualities were found in the work of the five artists who were awarded prizes.

The Best of Show went to Shelley Newman Stevens, Grand Rapids, for her work titled "The Trip."

Kathryn Ratliff, Grand Rapids, took first place for "New York, New York."

Second place was awarded to Laura Gajewski, Grand Rapids, "Untitled."

The piece of work titled "Koi Septet" was submitted

by Spring Lake's Deborah Lass and was awarded third Honorable Mention went

to Spring Lake's Abbey

Fitzpatrick for her work titled

"Nozzlehead Triptych." "For Stevens, a master in fine arts student at Kendall College, this was her first juried competition. "Because the master's program is so strenuous, I haven't gotten my work out of the studio. I decided I was just going to do it," Stevens

> Two pieces of her body of work completed over the past year were selected for the show. Both deal with the

ganized event." Rizzolo added that to create works of art demands a high level of intellectual accompetitive struggle among tivity and lively imagination. women. "I felt the represen-

Where the press is free, and every man able to read, all is safe.

- Thomas Jefferson



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### Pipeline break demonstrates the need for residents to call city about sewer backups

By J.N. Boorsma Contributing Writer

While many Lowell residents were struggling to get home safely Feb. 11, the Lowell Public Works Department was fighting the elements in an effort to repair a serious sewer line

After a call in the 400 block of Howard about a sewer backup, public works employees began to check the system and discovered some problems; however, it wasn't until the employees tried to clear the line that the even bigger problem was discovered.

Public Works director, Dan DesJarden said after calling in a crew to televise the line, the employees discovered that it was a pipeline break with rocks and dirt holding the road up. and if left unattended would have caused a cave-in large had a total of 108 resident calls for 130 sewer backup situa-

COLLEGE NEWS

Central Michigan Uni- 2002-2003 academic year at

Following Wisner's Christy A. Ennis, Kristen L.

achievement of earning a per- Ford, Cherie A. Gillman,

fect 4.0 grade point average, Aaron M. Hanson, Eric S.

her status was elevated to the Howes, Erin N. Koewers.

in 2000 from Lowell High Land, Elizabeth H. Rooker,

School, is the daughter of **Brandy L. Stroo** and **Nicole** 

Wisner, who graduated E. LaHaye, Trevor M.

versity recently announced Western Michigan Univer-

that Jennifer Wisner sity

achieved dean's list status for

Lowell High School gradu-

ate, received dean's list rec-

ognition for the fall 2002 se-

and Karen Baker of Lowell.

are included on the dean's list

for the fall semester of the

Planning a

garden to

butterflies

gardening."You can find

whole books about it, collec-

tions of plants in seed cata-

logs and wildflower seed mix-

tures put together to help you

attract butterflies to your gar-

den. The idea is to provide

flowers that butterflies find

Seed catalogs make i

simple to select annuals and

perennials by grouping but-

terfly plants together. Look

for butterfly-attracting seed

mixtures under "wildflow-

ers." Such mixtures often in-

clude butterfly weed, cosmos.

blanket flower, daisies, cone-

flowers, monarda (beebalm)

Obviously, you don't

have to turn your yard into a

meadow to incorporate nec-

tar-producing flowers that

butterflies like. Monarda

coneflowers, black-eyed

Susans and snapdragons are

available as seeds and plants

Read catalog and seed packet

descriptions carefully and

you'll often find "attracts but-

terflies" in the descriptions.

attractive.

and asters.

It's called "butterfly

attract

She is the daughter of Bert

A total of 5,017 students

the fall 2002 semester

president's list.

enough to "sink a small car." The probability of that happening during the summer after the frost was gone was too great, so the department, in between trying to keep the streets clean, spent the next several hours repairing the pipe.

"The reason it took so long," DesJarden said, "is because we had about 40 inches of frost to get through first."

The Howard Street residents were very considerate during the process that had the entire street closed. Buses were redirected during that time period and all ended well with the person who called with the sewer backup getting a complaint packet in which to file a claim.

Still this type of situation represents a small portion behind the sewer backups. In a report DesJarden presented to the city council, it showed that between 1997-2003 the city has

Jonathan H. Ballema, Joshua M. Butts, Molly K. Karrie R. Akers, Jaclyn A. Gauthier, Erin Jeanette Batt, Brooke E. Bennett, Kohler and Ryan W. Michelle L. Bosscher, Erin McCormick.

must have completed at least M. Johnson, Michelle L. a 3.5 grade point average on a Johnson, Dane B. scale of 4.0 in at least 12 Jorgensen, Stefan M. hours of graded class work.

versity has announced the Shelly K. Porter, Julie M. names of students who were Postema, Julie R. Schloop, placed on the dean's list for Julie M. Shortsle, Erin P the fall 2002 semester. From the Ada area is VanLaan. Γasha C. Yeiter.

Kowalski.

Jerry and Kay Wisner of Low- L. Waldron. From the Alto area are: Jason J. Bishop, Jennifer L. Central Michigan Uni- Blauwkamp, Jeffrey Foster, versity announced that Amy C. Hutchinson, Jaclyn Courtney Baker, a 2001 K. Shurmack and Jaclyn C. Yonker. Wiersum and David J. Davenport University with a

From the Lowell area are:

Nicholas J. K. Blough,

Amber Jo Kuipers, Laura

From the Ada area are:

P. Burgess, Sarah J. Debiak, To be eligible, students **Brandy A. Fedewa, David** Kilyanek, Amy D. Meiste, Jenifer L. Ogrodzinski, Grand Valley State Uni- McKei.zie E. Plummer,

From the Lowell area are

Umlauf and Kaily S. To qualify, students must

From the Alto area are: maintain a 3.5 grade point Meghan M. Mendez, Timo- average and be enrolled in a thy G. Mitchell, Jennifer R. minimum of 12 credits. Cavanaugh, Christina M. DeVormer, Jennifer R. **D.J.** Armstrong, from the Lowell area, has received DeVormer, Meghann J. Phillips, Courtney L. dean's list recognition from

4.0 grade point average.

//*00000000000000000000000000000000* **BID PROPOSAL** Lowell Area Schools will be accepting bids for renovation work at Bushnell and

Cherry Creek Elementary Schools, covering casework. aluminum entrances, mechanical, and electrical, Bids will be received at Lowell

Administration Offices, 300 High Street, Lowell, MI 49331 no later than Thursday, March 13, 2003 at 3:30 p.m.

A site inspection will be held at Bushnell Elementary on Thursday, March 6, 2003 at 3:45 p.m. The Bidding Documents may be obtained at Owen-Ames-Kimball Co., 300 Ionia N.W. Grand Rapids, Ml. A deposit of \$50.00 is required. Further details including bid security and performance bonds may be obtained by contacting Owen-Ames-Kimball at 616-456-1521.

The Prevailing Wage Act applies to this project.

### **GRATTAN** TOWNSHIP NOTICE **BOARD OF REVIEW**

THE BOARD OF REVIEW OF **GRATTAN TOWNSHIP** WILL MEET AT THE **GRATTAN TOWNSHIP HALL** 12050 OLD BELDING ROAD BELDING, MICHIGAN ON;

MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2003 Between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 noon and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and

TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2003 Between the hours of 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.

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

You may appeal your assessed valuation in person or by letter addressed to The Board of Review, 12050 Old Belding Road Belding, MI 48809

Written appeals must be received by March 7, 2003.

Those wishing to appeal in person should call the Township office between March 3 and March 6, 2003 to pre-arrange an appointment at (616) 691-8450.

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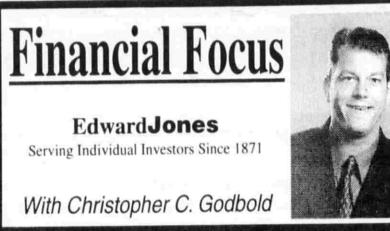
#### **ROTH VS. TRADI-**TIONAL IRA: WHICH IS RIGHT FOR YOU?

If you already contribute to an IRA, then you're taking an important step toward building the financial resources you need for retirement. If you don't have any IRA, then you might want to consider opening one. But which one?

are a "traditional" IRA and a Roth IRA. These IRAs share some common characteristics. First, you can fund either one with virtually any type of investment you choose 50 or over. (However, you can not contribute to a Roth IRA if your modified adjusted gross income exceeds \$160,000, if you're married and file jointly, or \$110,000. if you're single.)

traditional IRA contributions may be tax deductible, decome and whether or not you're covered under an employee-sponsored retirement plan. And your earnings grow tax-deferred until you start taking withdrawals.

• Roth IRA - You fund a Roth IRA with after-tax dol-



may want to consider some your contributions. And your earnings grow totally tax-free, provided you don't start taking withdrawals until you're 59 1/2 and you've had your account for at least five years. Also, you can typically make tax-free withdrawals for firsttime homebuyer expenses. (If you withdraw money from a traditional or Roth IRA before you're 59 1/2, you may have to pay a 10 percent pen-So, which IRA is right

for you? As is often the case in the investment world, there are no quick and easy answers. If you're not eligible to deduct your contributions to a traditional IRA, and you are eligible to contribute to a IRAs. Here's a quick look at Roth IRA, then you may want to choose the Roth IRA.

> But what if you're eligible to contribute to a Roth IRA and you could still deduct your contributions to a traditional IRA? On one hand, the traditional IRA offers a powerful combination: tax deductibility and tax-deferred growth. On the other hand, a Roth IRA is one of the few investments that offers taxfree earnings

and penalty-free access to choice. And that's why you right moves.

other criteria. For example, if you have a traditional IRA you must start taking minimum distributions by the time you're 70 1/2. With a Roth, you never have to take them you can leave the entire value of your IRA to your beneficiaries, and they won't have to pay taxes on withdrawals. Consequently, your projected need for retirement income and your desire to leave money to your family are two factors you'll want to consider when choosing between a Roth and a tradi-Unfortunately, you can't

have it both ways - that is, you can't contribute the maximum amount to both types of IRAs. Whatever amount you contribute to one will reduce what you can contribute to

A qualified financial professional or your tax adviser may be able to help you determine which type of IRA is right for you. But, even with this assistance, make sure you understand all the issues involved. Remember, this money is for your retirement Obviously, it's a tough - so you'll want to make the

toy, and a very sophisticated

communication has hap-

pened. Your baby recognizes

and is reassured by the dia-

logue that has just occurred.

They derive comfort from the

fact that you have listened to

them. This is how relation-

ships are built over time. By

the ninth to twelfth month,

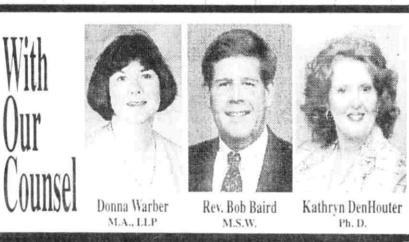
babies are gleefully pointing

to objects in their environ-

ment, and parents label and

talk about what the baby is

experiencing. More and more,



Last month we looked at self-comfort. This is some--peace and quiet. The fact that the infant has learned to quiet him- or herself is one of the first triumphs.

This month we'll be looking at how your baby communicates: "I have needs." As parents, we know that when your infant is crying or screaming for that matter, we need to do something. This is crude or very basic communication. As you get to know your baby, you learn to pick up the subtle cues, and some of his/her gestures, creating more "sophisticated" communication patterns.

An article by Jessica Sachs in the October 2002 issue of Parenting magazine suggests some other ways your baby communicates that there is a need other than all-out crying. These include: 1) whimpers and thrashes suggest that he/she might need help calming down for sleep; 2) restless looking from side to side might indicate butterflies. they need a change of scenery or environment; 3) if his/ her face reddens it could sug- larval stage. gest they are overdressed,

rooting (the movement in the baby's mouth and head that indicate they are ready to feed) is done with the blanket or fist, this could be a sign of Around six months of age,

you can create an environment that will encourage your baby to ask for what they want. For instance, you put a fascinating toy near your baby. and they will lean and reach toward the toy. What your baby is saying through his/ her body reaction is, "I want that toy." So, respond to your baby by talking. This is how speech continues to develop. You could say, "Yes, that is to play with it?" Then, move temper tantrums, frustration, the toy to within your baby's and anger as it is expressed

the baby embellishes her signaling with many gestures and sounds. This fills the home Also, your baby will express frustration and sometimes anger. When the parent(s) respond effectively to this, the baby learns that the love and concern they feel from their parents is not conditional and available to them only in the good times, but also through their struggles.

struggles in their lifetime. Next month, we will be an exciting toy. Do you want discussing how to deal with grasp. Your baby grasps the by your infant and toddler.

They will have many such

#### Butterflies, cont'd... From Page 11

If you do have a wild area on your property, you've probably noticed that Canada thistles, Queen Anne's lace and milkweed are great butterfly plants. Milkweek and thistles can be difficult to control, so most gardeners probably don't want to invite them into their flower beds, but if you have a wild area where you can tolerate them, they will definitely appeal to

Nectar from flowers provides food for the adults, but serious butterfly gardeners also plant to provide food for the

A good butterfly gardening book from your favorite bookfeeling stuffy or hot; 4) when store will list these plants.

### COMNGEVENTS

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

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

EVERY OTHER SUN: ?'s call 897-2760. Single adults, ages 25-50 years, meet 4 - 5:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church of Lowell. Social time/ It. 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. Call 676-1355 for details.

SECOND MON. OF EACH **MONTH:** Fallasburg Historical Society holds monthly board meeting at chamber office at 7 p.m. Public invited, 897-7161.

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

SECOND MON. OF EACH MONTH: Bowne Township Historical Society holds its regular meeting at the Historical Museum at 84th and Alden Nash, 7:30 p.m.

THIRD MON. OF THE MONTH: Lowell Showboat Garden Club meets at 7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall of the Nazarene Church. For 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 MON. OF EACH MONTH: American Legion Clark-Ellis Post 152 at Schneider Manor, Bldg. D. 725 Bowes Rd. 8 p.m.

1ST MON. OF THE MONTH: Diabetic Support group (7 p.m.) at 1st United Methodist Church dining room. ?'s call 897-2760.

THIRD MON. OF EACH MONTH: Women of the Moose business meeting at 7:30 p.m.

**EVERY 1ST MON.:** V.F.W. Post #8303 meets at 7:00 p.m.(at Schneider Manor until further notice.)

**EVERY MON.:** Boy Scout Troop 102: boys 11 & up or completing 5th-grade, meets 7 - 8:30 p.m. at Scout Cabin on N. Washmons. Connie 942-6887 ington St. Call Terry

**EVERY TUES.:** Scrapbook Club at LMS after school. Contact Kris Gallagher at 897-9222.

868-6481.

1ST & 3RD TUES .: Diabetic Support group meets at Schneider Manor Community Room at 9:30 a.m.

SECOND TUES.: G.R. Chapter of the American Sewing Guild meets at Plainfield Senior Center 5255 Grand River Dr. 6:30 **EVERY WED.:** Rotary social time: 7 p.m. program. Call Sandy at Masonic Temple.

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

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

**1ST TUES.:** Adults with AD/HD at Calvin College, 7-9 p.m. Free. Call Gary Engle at 897-6325 or 248-

1ST TUES .: WINGS Parp.m., in Board Room at meetings/odd mos; program meetings/even mos.

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

EVERY SECOND TUES.: Lowell Masonic Lodge reg. meeting, 7:30 p.m. at Masonic Center, 119 Lincoln

SECOND TUES .: G.R. region of the Horseless Carriage Club meets 7 p.m. at old S&H Green Stamp storefront in Rogers Plaza. Anyone interested in historical autos welcome. Call Bob 891-2205 for more information.

TUES.: Lowell Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Look Memorial Fire Station, 315 S. Hudson St.

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

**EVERY 1ST TUES:** Adults w/ AD/HD Issues Group meeting: Calvin College #206 of the Com-

**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 4-7th grade. 897-5894 for details.

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

meets at noon at Lowell

**EVERY WED.:** "Peppers" (Sr. adults) at Franciscan Life Process Center: 1-3:30 p.m. \$10/wk. Transportation? Call Pat 897-7842.

EVERY WED .: Lowell TUES.: Flat River Church of the Nazarene Caravan children's program, 7 p.m., 5-12 years. Call 897-8800 with ???'s.

> 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.

ent Group meets 7:30 - 9 EVERY SECOND WED.: Lowell Women's Club 300 High St. Business meets noon in community room at Schneider Manor, 725 Bowes Rd.

> Elderly volunteers needed gram w/school children from Lowell in activities.9:45-10:45 a.m. or 12:45 - 1:45 p.m. Call Sister Colleen F.S.E. at 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, Grand Rapids.

THURS .: Weight Watchers at Lowell Nazarene Church, 201 N. Washing-EVERY 1ST & 3RD ton, 5:30 & 7 p.m. Register 1/2 hr. before meetings New members invited 1-800-651-6000.

> **EVERY THURS.:** Saranac Area Musicians and Singers: Saranac High School, Choir: 6 - 7 p.m./ band: 7 -8 p.m. Kathy 897-5981.

**EVERY THURS.:** Pottery classes at Franciscan Life Process Center from 6:30

- 8:30 p.m. \$10/hour/ \$15 for two. 897-7842 for info.

EVERY THURS. - St. Mary's Pregnancy Crisis Center, 402 Amity St., nondenominational help for pregnant women / 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.

FIRST AND THIRD THURS.: Alto Lions Club meets at a new location: Annalaine's on S. 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 3RD THURS.**: Rubber stamping group at Christian Life Center 6-9 p.m. Create cards, scrapbooks, etc. Share supplies. Call Dawn 862-8841.

**EVERY 3RD THURS.:** VFW #8303 Ladies Auxiliary: 3 p.m. at Schneider Manor (until further notice).

**EVERY THIRD THURS.:** Parents Supporting Parents group at Franciscan Life Process Center: discussion for parents of children. Call 897-7842.

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

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

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

SECOND SAT. OF EV-ERY MONTH: Ada Historical Society 1 p.m. at Averill Historical Museum of Ada, 7144 Headley.

SECOND SAT.: Lowell Amateur Radio Club at Lowell High School 9 a.m. social time; 10 a.m. meeting. LARC sponsors the 145.27 MHz area radio repeater system

**EVERY FRI. & SAT.** Averill Historical Museum of Ada, 7144 Headley 1-4 p.m. By appt.: 676-9346.

LOWELL AREA HISTORI-**CAL 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 9093 or Barb Curtis at MINISTRIES THRIFT 863-682-7136. SHOP HOURS: Wed. Fri.: 12-6 p.m.; Sat.: 10 MON., MARCH 3: Athletic a.m.- 2 p.m. 519 E. Main St. 897-2037.

ENGLEHARDT LIBRARY HOURS: Mon.- Wed., 12 -8 p.m.; Thurs. - Fri.: 9:30 a.m.-5p.m.; Sat.: 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. 200 N. Monroe St. 647-3920.

COUNCIL: Open Tues. Wed. & Fri.: noon - 5 p.m.; Thurs.: noon -7 p.m.; Sat., 1-4 p.m. 149 S. Hudson. Call 897-8545.

Call Liz at chamber (897- with you for 2003. 9161) to register.

THURS., FEB. 27: LHS Profits to senior class.

at LAAC 897-8545.

spiritual enrichment expe-

SUN., MARCH 2: Lowell Seniors Day at Lakeland, Fla. Huntington Hills Country Club, Duff Rd. Buffet:1 p.m. Call Mary Peckham 863-683-6336, Carmen Roudabush at 863-604-

Boosters regular meeting at 7 p.m. in the high school staff lounge.

THURS., MARCH 6: Vergennes Cooperative Club meeting 1 p.m. at Schneider Manor. Program: Bingo. Please bring wrapped Bingo prize not LOWELL AREA ARTS over \$3; also items for Flat River Outreach Ministries Hostesses: Norma Noall Phyllis Bieri and Jeanne Shores. Sponsor: Phyllis

THURS., FEB. 27: Ethics THURS., MARCH 6: Comand diversity Lowell Lead- modities distribution at ership workshop at LAS Lowell Moose Recreational Administration Bldg., 300 Building, 8 a.m. -? Bring High St. 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. your new benefit amount

SAT., MARCH 8: Bowne Sr. vs. Jr. guys volleyball Church, Boneless Pork challenge in LHS main gym, Dinner, 5-7 p.m. Adults: 7:30 p.m. \$3 at the door. \$7; children \$3.50.Corner of 84th and Alden Nash

FRI., FEB. 28: Dallas SAT., MARCH 8: Children's Theater produc- Foodmobile at 4-H Fairtion of "African Tales of grounds, 10-12p.m. Bring Earth & Sky," 1 hr. musical box/bag for free distribuat LPAC at 7 p.m. Tickets tion by F.R.O.M. Available

to anyone.

SAT., MARCH 1: Women's THURS., MARCH 13: Retreat at Franciscan Life Crop Walk Rally at 1st Process Center, Call 897- United Methodist Church 7842 for a brochure on this Education Wing at 7 p.m. Send a rep for pledge sheets and promo materi-

als; call 897-5936.

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#### **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR 897-5949

MON.: 9a.m. Walk/Shop at Woodland Mall.

TUES .: 9 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall. 12:45 o.m. Bible Study

FRI.: 9 a.m. Walk/Shop at Woodland Mall.

THURS .: 9 a.m. Walk/

Shop at the Malls: 9:30

Crafts; 1 p.m. Euchre.

SPECIAL EVENTS

WED., FEB. 26: 8:30 a.m.Women's Breakfast.

p.m. Shop Greenville K-Mart & Dollar Store.

THURS., FEB. 27: 12:45

FRI., FEB. 28: 12:45 p.m. Bingo.

### Michigan recognized as leader in information technology

It's a one-two combination that may never happen again. Digital Government has recognized Michigan with the Sus-Michigan has just been recognized for excellence in informatained Leadership Award for states which have made the most tion technology by two separate and prestigious groups, set- progress in digital government, while the Gartner Research ting an example for other states to follow. The Center for group has just placed Michigan in their upper quadrant of

states with regard to technology management structures.

The Sustained Leadership Award recognizes states that have made the most progress in digital government as measured in the first five years of the Digital State Survey from 1997 through 2002. The annual survey, presented in eight categories throughout the year, has been the survey of merit with governors and has consistently garnered participation by nearly 100 percent of the nation's states. Each year, awards for the annual winner and winners of each category have been presented to the governors and state officials of winning states by the Center for Digital Government and The Progress & Freedom Foundation.

By placing Michigan in their upper quadrant, the Gartner Research group has placed Michigan as a leader among other states when it comes to the breadth of influence and depth of support for the CIO. This means that the organizational strength for Michigan's Department of Information Technology is higher than every other state, positioning the state to become the leader for innovation and progress in technology. "What a tremendous achievement it is for Michigan to be recognized in this way by two respected and prestigious groups," commented Teresa Takai, the newly appointed director for the Department of Information Technology. "Michigan is positioned to take even larger steps in information technology and offer greater service to the citizens of our state."

#### THE CITY OF LOWELL ORDAINS:

Section 1. Amendment to Section 5.04. Section 5.04 of Chapter 5 of the Zoning Ordinance of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell is amended to read as follows:

CITY OF LOWELL

**KENT COUNTY, MICHIGAN** 

**ORDINANCE NO. 03-3** 

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 5.04 "DISTRICT REGULATIONS" OF

CHAPTER 5 "SR - SUBURBAN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT" AND SECTION 6.04

"DISTRICT REGULATIONS" OF CHAPTER 6 "R-1 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT" OF

THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF

Councilmember Pfaller, supported by councilmember Myers, moved the adoption of the

Section 5.04. District regulations. No building or structure, nor the enlargement of any building of structure shall be hereafter erected unless the following requirements are met and maintained in connection with such building, structure or enlargement.

FRONT YARD SIDE YARD

REAR YARD

**BUILDING HEIGHT** 

LOT COVERAGE

LOWELL.

following ordinance:

30 FEET RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS - 20 FEET TOTAL 8 FEET MINIMUM NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS - 30 FEET 35 FEET 35 FEET OR 2 1/2 STORIES 35%

MINIMUM LOT AREA MINIMUM LOT WIDTH

MINIMUM DWELLING UNIT FLOOR AREA SINGLE LEVEL

MULTI LEVEL

23,000 SQUARE FEET 125 FEET RANCH 1200 SQUARE FEET MAIN FLOOR

WITH ATTACHED GARAGE 780 SQUARE FEET MAIN FLOOR 1400 TOTAL SQUARE FEET

Section 2. Amendment to Section 6.04. Section 6.04 of Chapter 6 of the Zoning Ordinance of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell is amended to read as follows:

Section 6.04. District regulations. No building or structure, nor the enlargement of any building or structure, shall be hereafter erected unless the following requirements are met and maintained in connection with such building, structure or enlargement.

FRONT YARD SIDE YARD

30 FEET RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS - 20 FEET TOTAL 8 FEET MINIMUM

NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS - 30 FEET REAR YARD 25 FEET

**BUILDING HEIGHT** 35 FEET OR 2 1/2 STORIES LOT COVERAGE MINIMUM LOT AREA 9,750 SQUARE FEET

75 FEET MINIMUM LOT WIDTH

MINIMUM DWELLING UNIT FLOOR AREA

SINGLE LEVEL

1200 SQUARE FEET MAIN FLOOR LIVING

MULTI LEVEL 780 SQUARE FEET MAIN FLOOR 1400 TOTAL SQUARE FEET YEAS: Councilmembers Brubaker, Myers, Pfaller and Mayor Shores.

NAYS: Councilmembers non.

ABSENT: Councilmember Blough. ABSTAIN: Councilmembers non.

Dated: February 18, 2003

Betty R. Morlock, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION I, the undersigned City Clerk of the City of Lowell, Michigan, certify that the above ordinance is a true and complete copy of an ordinance adopted at a regular meeting of the Lowell City Council held on February 18, 2003, pursuant to notice given in compliance with Act 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, as amended, and notice of its adoption, including a summary of its contents, was published in the Lowell Ledger on february 26, 2003. i further certify that the above ordinance was entered in the Ordinance Book of the City on February 18, 2003, and was effective March 8, 2003, ten (10) days after its publication.

Date: February 18, 2003



Betty R. Morlock, City Clerk

### **CITY OF LOWELL MICHIGAN**

—Preston Bradley

Expect victory and you make victory.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION AND SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 5.02 OF CHAPTER 5, "SR-SUBURBAN RESIDENTIAL **DISTRICT," SECTION 15.04.A.2 OF** CHAPTER 15, PUD-PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT" OF AND TO ADD CHAPTER 23, "OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION" TO THE CITY OF LOWELL ZONING ORDINANCE

The Lowell City Council adopted Ordinance No. 03-2 amending Sections 5.02 and 15.04.A.2. of, and adding Chapter 23 to, the Zoning Ordinance of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell on February 18, 2003.

Amended Section 5.02 permits singlefamily dwellings otherwise meeting the requirements of suburban residential zoned district under the open space preservation provisions of the Zoning Ordinance.

Amended Section 15.04.A.2. corrects a typographical error by properly crossreferencing Section 18.06 of the Zoning Ordinance.

Chapter 23, consistent with the provisions of Act 179 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 2001, describes the conditions and procedures pursuant to which land zoned for low density residential development may be developed, at the option of the land owner, with the same number of dwelling units on a portion of the land specified in the Zoning Ordinance, but not more than 80%, that could otherwise be developed on the entire land area.

Ordinance No. 03-2 is effective 10 days after this publication.



Betty R. Morlock City Clerk

### Lowell gymnasts fourth at conference; Plattner grabs honors in floor exercise

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

It was the end of a long and frustrating day for Holly Plattner and her Red Arrow teammates.

There was one more floor routine to score. After receivng a so-so score on the vault and suffering two falls on the beam, one might forgive Plattner for going through the motions in her final O-K Rainbow event.

But that's the difference between them and Plattner. The senior and the defending Division II state champion

on the vault put all that behind her and focused on the task before her. "Floor was the last event and she was the last gymnast to

perform. Holly finished like a champion," said Lowell gymnastics coach, Michele DeHaan,

Plattner's floor routine scored a 9.4 making her the O-K Rainbow conference champion.

"After struggling on the vault and beam, it was great to see Holly finish as a champion on the floor," DeHaan said. Lowell finished fourth in the conference meet at Kenowa Hills on Saturday.

Forest Hills Central won the league meet title with 139.325. The Rangers were followed by Holland 138.775; Rockford 136.15; Lowell 133.25; Kenowa Hills 128.80; Mona Shores 128.05; East Grand Rapids 121; and East

Kentwood 118.875. It was the exact order the teams finished in the regular season dual standings.

"It was a frustrating day, but the girls will work hard to do better at the regional in Holland (Saturday)," DeHaan said. It will take a top three finish to advance to the team state competition for the first time in school history.

Lowell's other scores on the floor were Krystal White Uneven Bars: 8.85, Jenna Dickerman 8.65 and Melissa Neubecker 8.55. Carisa Sayer led all Red Arrows on the balance beam with

an 8.6 followed by Melissa Neubecker 8.05; White 8.0; and Rebecca Underwood 7.85.

Plattner led Lowell on the vault with a score of 8.65 followed by Dickerman 8.1, White 8.0 and Carmen Datema Floor:

On the uneven bars Lowell counted scores from Plattner 8.55, White 8.35, Neubecker 8.15 and Saver 7.7.

**Lowell 134.2** Mona Shores 130.35

Holly Plattner 8.75 Jenna Dickerman 8.55 Krystal White 8.4 Carmen Datema 8.2

Balance Beam: Melissa Neubecker 9.1 Plattner 8.65 White 8.3

Dickerman 8.15 White 8.15 Neubecker 7.85 Kim Seaman 7.45

Carisa Sayer 8.3

Plattner 9.0 White 8.75 Neubecker 8.45 Leannah Seese 8.15

"Melissa has been pushing 9.0 on the beam all year, but has just missed. When she saw 9.1 (personal best), her eyes lit up. It was nice to see her get it. It was a nice way to finish." Lowell gymnastics coach, Michele DeHaan said.

### Lowell icers drop pivotal league match to Northview

In a battle for conference supremacy between Northview and Lowell-Caledonia, the Wildcats defeated the Red Arrows Arrow was assessed a tripping penalty which led to a fourth skated to a 2-2 tie.

The first period ended with a scoreless tie, but Lowell had scoring opportunities. In the opening period of action, both goal Corey Kelly and Ted McCoy misfired on breakaway chances.

The second period looked like a carbon copy of the first, Lowell-Caledonia 2 (OT) with end-to-end action but no scoring. With two minutes to go Northview 2 the Wildcats drew "first blood" to take a 1-0 lead.

The Wildcats added a second goal just 55 seconds later as they added to their lead with a tip-in goal in front of the net, off season at Standard Federal Ice Arena, this time with nothing of a shot from the point. The third period started with the Wildcats scoring on a

wrist shot from the top of the face-off circle. Trailing 3-0 midway through the third period, Lowell

junior, Brandon John scored an unassisted goal, cutting the

Lowell pulled to within one a little later when McCoy scored a short-handed goal with an assist from John.

### **VERGENNES** TOWNSHIP **NOTICE OF ADOPTION**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that at the regularly scheduled meeting of February 17, 2003, the Vergennes Township Board adopted Ordinance 2003-2, an amendment to the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance. The following is a summary:

Chapter 5 Special Exception Uses, Section 201.502

The amendments clarify language and application procedures, clarify reviewing and approving body, describe unclassified special use procedures, add application submittal deadlines, describe the public hearing and violation process, and add a major and minor modifications process to approved permits.

The complete text of the ordinance amendments can be reviewed at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, PO Box 208, Lowell, MI 49331 Phone: (616) 897-5671, or on the Township website at www.vergennestwp.org. This ordinance takes effect 8 days after publication.

> Mari Stone Vergennes Township Clerk

With just under two minutes to play in the game, a Red on the line except pride. Lowell-Caledonia and Northview

The two teams met for the final conference game of the

### VERGENNES **TOWNSHIP** NOTICE

The Vergennes Township Board will hold a public hearing for comment on the proposed 2003-04 budget during the March 10, 2003 meeting of the board at 7:00 p.m. The board meets at the township offices located at 10381 Bailey Drive, Lowell, MI

Copies of the proposed budget are available at the Township Hall on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Mari C. Stone Vergennes Township Clerk

#### **ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

The Lowell Area Schools Board of Education is accepting sealed bids for classroom and cafeteria furniture for the new high school addition.

For more information and specifications contact:

Larry Mikulski 12695 Foreman Road Lowell, MI 49331 (616) 897-9353

Bids will be due no later than 2:00 p.m., Friday, March 7, 2003 at: **Board of Education Room** 300 High Street Lowell, MI 49331

It was also the opportunity for both Lowell and Caledonia

With its goalie pulled, Lowell gave up a fifth and final to honor its players as part of "Parent Appreciation Night." The first period was a fast-paced, hard hitting affair. Both

Hockey, cont'd. pg. 16

### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING** LOWELL CHARTER **TOWNSHIP PLANNING** COMMISSION

The Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider amending Section 3.7 of the Zoning Ordinance of Lowell Charter Township. The proposed amendments would provide new regulations for Commercial Planned Unit Developments (CPUD). The proposed regulations would require a minimum of 5 acres for a CPUD, delete the allowance for residential uses in CPUD, stipulate design standards, and allow the Planning Commission to modify these standards. The amendments also provide procedures and standards for review.

The hearing will be held as follows:

Monday, March 24, 2003 7:00 P.M. Lowell Charter Township Hall 2910 Alden Nash Avenue S.E. Lowell, Michigan 49331

The proposed amendment is available for review at the Lowell Charter Township offices, 2910 Alden Nash Avenue, Lowell, Michigan, 49331 during normal office hours on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday or by calling 897-7600.

> Dave Simmonds, Secretary Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission

### Second criterion separates Vikings from Red Arrows

••• Lowell's bid for a second consecutive state wrestling title ends in regional final.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Lakewood's run at a state wrestling title in each of the one at 15-14. previous three years was halted by Lowell.

Wednesday night at the Division II wrestling regional in Ionia, the Vikings met up with that familiar face for a fourth straight time in the post season.

This time the Vikings exorcized the demon as they defeated the Red Arrows by the slimmest of margins. The two Lowell winning at 135, 145 and 160; Lakewood recorded wins teams battled to a 28-28 tie with the Vikings winning the at 130, 140 and 152. match on second criterion (matches won 8-6).

"It's been a long time coming," said Lakewood coach, Bob Veitch. "Lowell has beaten us the last three years - we Beau Wilder. finally got one."

in the state championship match which yielded three runnersup trophies and a state title last year.

"What more can you ask? Two of the top teams in the state going at it and both wrestling like champions," said Lowell wrestling coach, Dave Strejc. "They have been on this side of the score the last three years - I guess it was their turn."

The regional match appeared to start that way, as Lakewood won the first four matches to take a 15-0 lead.

"Actually, I was ecstatic about the start and only being down 15-0 after those four (189-103) matches," Strejc said. Lowell won the next three weight classes to pull within

Joe Mendez, 112 pounds, technical falled Scott Blocher 18-3. Brandon Kinney, 119, pinned Evan Terry at 3:59 of the second period; and Matt Kilmartin, 125, decisioned Ryan King 4-2.

The two teams split the next six weight classes with

For Veitch, however, none were bigger than Mike Ketchum's come-from-behind 14-12 win over Red Arrow

"I just had a gut feeling about Mike. He's really been For the Red Arrows, it ends a four -year run of wrestling wrestling well as of late and he came through for us tonight,"

The Viking trailed 8-2 before rallying for the win, giving Lakewood an 18-14 advantage.

Kevin Frazier's technical fall (16-1) of Jeff VanderBoon gave Lowell its first lead of the night at 19-18.

Jayme DeLiefde, 140, lost a major decision (14-5) to Brandon Carpenter. Bobby Gingerich, 145, picked him up with a pin at 5:19 of

the third period against Nathan Shoup, giving the Red Arrows Wrestling, cont'd. pg. 17

### Hockey, cont'd... From Page 15

teams got into penalty trouble and were both skating a man short, when Lowell scored the game's first goal.

As has happened many times during the season, Corey Kelly found Ted McCoy through a crown in front of the net. McCoy slapped the puck into the top corner of the net.

Five minutes into the second period, Lowell-Cal added to its lead with a power play goal. This time Kelly found freshman, Josh John alone on the far side of the net. John made a quick shoulder fake and backhanded the puck over the top of the Wildcat goalie.

For the remainder of the second period, both teams were in and out of penalty trouble. Neither team, however, was able to crease the net until, with 20 seconds to go in the period, the penalties caught up with Lowell as Northview cashed in to score a goal and cut Lowell's lead in half at 2-1.

did the penalty calls. Both teams had excellent scoring opportunities, but both goalies were equal to the task on each end of the ice.

### **VERGENNES TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing before the Vergennes Township Planning Commission will be held on Monday, March 3, 2003 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 special exception use permit and a private road application. A summary follows for the proposed text amendments and additional applications:

#### Chapter 4 General and Special Regulations, Section 201.430 Home Occupations, 201.431 Home Based Businesses, 201.431A Rental Storage

The proposed amendments for all of the sections are to clarify language and amend the effective date for existing businesses. Section 201.431 Home Based Business is amending the application procedure by requiring a zoning permit issued by the zoning administrator instead of a special use permit and amending the application procedure section. Section 201.431A Rental Storage is a section being removed from Chapter 3 as a special use permit and added to Chapter 4 as a type of home occupation permitted in the RA District using existing farm buildings upon application for a zoning permit issued by the zoning administrator. Section 201.430 is a home occupation section with and without an accessory building and is being amended for clarification of procedures and language. The current requirement for a zoning permit is still in effect.

#### Chapter 2 Definitions, Section 201,202

The definitions of home occupations and home based businesses are being amended to clarify the meanings.

#### **Chapter 3 Zoning Districts**

Various portions of sections 201.304, 201.305, 201.306, 201.306A, 201.3075 are amended to coordinate with the above amendments to change rental storage and home based businesses from special use permits to zoning permits and to add home occupations and home based businesses to the Lake Residential District.

#### Special Exception Use Permit Application

Dean Alger is applying for a special exception use permit to construct a 260 foot tower for cellular phone/ PCS communication and high speed internet service. The property is owned by the applicant and is proposed to be located at 13401 3 Mile Rd in the SE quarter of section 2 and the RA zoning district.

#### **Private Road Application**

Roger Bowen has requested an application review to construct a private road previously named Bowen Ridge Court but renamed to Sky High Drive for access to four new lots. The property address is known as 950 Lincoln Lake Ave, Lowell and parcel number 41-16-23-100-028. The road will be located on the east side of Lincoln Lake Ave north of Heim and south of McPherson in the NW quarter of section 23.

The complete text of the proposed ordinance amendments and additional applications can be reviewed at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, PO Box 208, Lowell, MI 49331 - Phone: (616) 897-5671 [fax 897-5674] or on the website (ordinance amendments) at www.vergennestwp.org. 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.

Vergennes Township Planning Commission

The hard hitting play continued into the third period, as

Lowell, skating two men short due to penalties, gave up the game-tying goal to Northview midway through the third

The Red Arrows and Wildcats entered into an eightminute sudden death overtime period. When the overtime period horn sounded, however, the score was still tied at 2-2.

### **VERGENNES** TOWNSHIP

NOTICE **BOARD OF REVIEW** 

THE BOARD OF REVIEW

**VERGENNES TOWNSHIP** WILL MEET AT THE VERGENNES **TOWNSHIP HALL** 10381 BAILEY DRIVE LOWELL, MI, 49331 MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2003

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2003

between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. and from

> 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the tax roll and hearing all claims.

You may appeal your assessed valuation one of two ways:

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

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

Letters must be received by March 7, 2003

Mari Stone Vergennes Township Clerk

### Seven Red Arrows qualify for individual state tournament; five win regional championships

••• Brandon Kinney raised his record to 52-0 with a regional title at Middleville on Saturday.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Coming off a bitterly disappointing regional final loss to Lakewood on Wednesday, seven Lowell wrestlers collectively qualified for the individual state tournament on March 6-8 at the Palace in Auburn Hills.

"Surprised? No! Most of them were expected to advance to the state tournament," said Lowell wrestling coach, Dave Strejc. "They are not your average athletes we're talking about. They are exceptional individuals who went out and wrestled and gave everything they have."

The result: five were crowned regional champions, one was a runner-up and the other placed third.

If there was a surprise, it was Pieter Serne wrestling at 189 pounds. The senior pinned Allegan's Chad

Corbett in 1:41 of the first Strejc said.

picking up steam. He did it jury default) last year and he's done it this year in spades," Strejc ex- sion against Allegan's Eric Serne reached the finals

with a pin against Niles' Andy Brandstater in 5:30 of the third period, and with a decision take it one match at a time." over Wayland's Troy Thorington, someone he lost to in overtime at the district

then Brandon Kinney (119), J.J. Wilder (160) were the sure and wrestling all the way

record to 52-0 with a decision over Coldwater's Tyler Strejc said. Longstreet (injury default).

some extreme intensity. It's Coldwater's Nick Longstreet some of the best wrestling while teammate Beau Wilder I've seen from him. He's defeated Vicksburg's Jon peaking at the right time," Wright 26-12 to place third

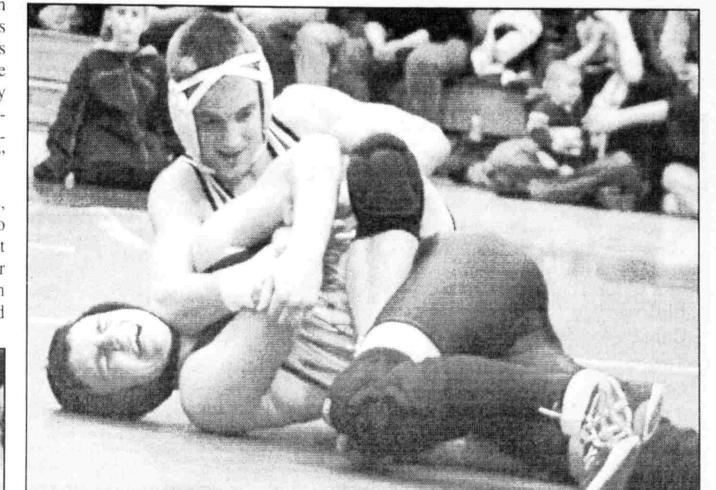
Gingerich improved his "Pieter has a habit of start- record to 50-1 with a win over ing a season slowly and then Lakewood's Tom Pett (in-

> Wilder posted a 6-3 deci-Simaz in the regional finals.

"J.J.'s looking good, but there are tough kids still out there. He needs to continue to Strejc said.

Matt Kilmartin (125) earned a regional championship with a 4-1 decision If Serne was the surprise, against Wyoming Park's Ryan Mix. "His success is Bobby Gingerich (152) and keyed on a controlled style through the entire six min-Kinney improved his utes. Matt was very disciplined today in his approach,"

Joe Mendez, 112 pounds, "Brandon is wrestling with lost an 11-9 decision to



Brandon Kinney's win over Coldwater's Tyler Longstreet earned him a regional

Kevin Frazier turns up the pressure and pain on his Lakewood counterpart.

### Wrestling, cont'd... From Page 16

Viking Lance Beglin tied the score at 25-25 with a 12-6 decision against Braton Fredline.

J.J. Wilder then defeated Tom Pett (160) 7-2, giving Lowell a 28-25 advantage. Matt Stowell's 3-1 decision against Ryan Dykhouse, however, put Lakewood over the top,

and sends the Vikings into the quarterfinals on Friday. "I said that I thought the winner of this match will make it to the championship match. I

still believe that," Strejc said.

#### TWO POSITIONS OPEN FOR LOWELL SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

Bobby Gingerich works toward a pin in the regional title match against Lakewood.

There are 2 four-year Board of Education positions to be filled at the annual school election which will be held on Monday, June 9, 2003. These positions are for four-year terms ending June 30, 2007.

Residents interested in running for a board seat must first file nominating petitions (or a \$100 non-refundable fee in lieu of petitions) and an affidavit of identity. Candidates must be 18 years of age, a resident of Michigan for at least 30 days, a citizen of the United States, a resident of the Lowell Area School District for at least 30 days before the election, and a registered voter in the school district.

Nominating petitions and affidavit forms may be obtained by any candidate from the Board of Education office located at 300 High Street, Lowell, MI 49331 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The petitions must contain at least 40 🕻 signatures of registered school electors of the district. It is recommended that a reasonable number of signatures over the minimum be obtained to protect against invalid signatures.

Petition circulators need not be a registered school elector, individual petitions must be taken for each township and city in which signatures are obtained, and ELECTORS CAN SIGN AS MANY PETITIONS AS THERE ARE PERSONS TO BE ELECTED.

If you are interested in running, please note the following dates:

Monday, April 7, 2003 - 4:00 p.m. last day for filing nominating petitions;

Thursday, April 10, 2003 - 4:00 p.m. last day for a candidate to withdraw his/her name; Monday, June 9, 2003 - Annual School Election

For more information contact Sonja DeDonado at 897-8415

### **BOWNE TOWNSHIP** NOTICE **BOARD OF REVIEW**

THE BOARD OF REVIEW OF BOWNE TOWNSHIP WILL MEET AT THE HISTORIC TOWNSHIP HALL -8240 ALDEN NASH SE., ALTO ON:

> MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2003 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. 1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. (Appt. Only)

TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2003 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. 1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING THE TAX ROLL AND HEARING ALL CLAIMS. YOU MAY APPEAL YOUR ASSESSED VALUATION ONE OF (2) WAYS: BY LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE BOWNE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR AND RECEIVED BY HIM PRIOR TO MARCH 8. OR BY APPEARING IN PERSON ON ONE OF THE DATES THE BOARD OF REVIEW MEETS.

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PETER F. SILER **BOWNE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR** 

### **Moore chooses Ferris State** for education and football

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

planned on playing football. That coincided perfectly

youngest to don pads. ting hurt," Moore explained.

pizza party changed Moore's grin. way of thinking and eventuolder brothers, his parents too.

Changes in attitude will Brother Rice. result in a full tuition scholarship for Moore to play foot- better this year than the year ball at Ferris State University before. I would have also liked always the best, but it's fun,' starting in the fall.

Valley State University,

Jordan Moore never on Ferris' automotive tech- record. nology program.

with his parents' way of think- to play football at Grand Val- adding hard work to that ing - to never allow their ley with Mark (Catlin), but which allows a person to be-"They didn't want me get- I'll have to tackle him. That's said. okay - I know all of his An eighth-grade football moves," Moore says with a was nothing short of great.

ally, with the help of his two pable force in the Division II game. state championship win over

to break the school tackle Moore said. "To think, I'm Birmingham Brother Rice. Moore considered Grand record of 115," Moore said. going to get a free education

Northwood and Ferris, but his 118 tackles were recorded in ball.

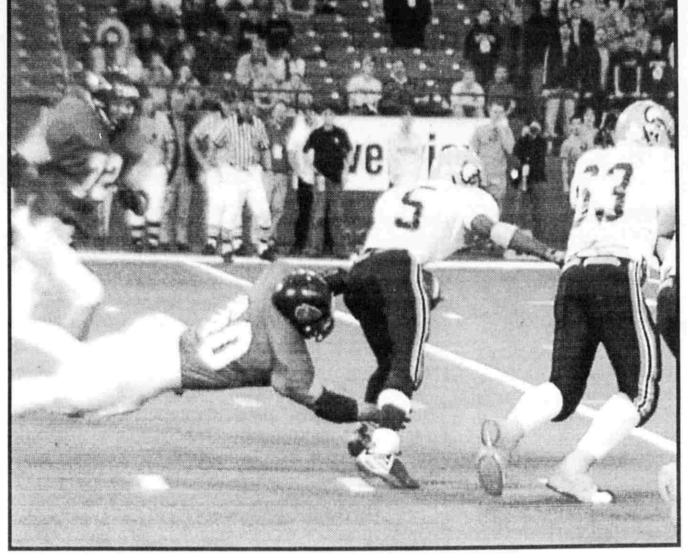
decision in the week leading the post season, therefore canup to signing day was based not be counted toward the "I've always been given

"It would have been nice natural athletic ability, but it's now, rather than play with him, come a great player," Moore

His play in his senior year Arguably his shining moment Moore was an unstop- was the state championship

His strength, speed and tackling with reckless aban-"My only goal was to do don did not go unnoticed.

"My tackling form is not He did, but some of his because I like to play foot-



Moore makes a diving tackle in the Division II state championship game against

Members of the Lady Arrows Varsity Club attended the 15th annual Women In Sports Leadership (WISL) Conference sponsored by the Michigan High School Athletic Association

The opening session speaker was Dr. Sharon E. Banks, superintendent of Lansing Public Schools. Dr. Banks shared history with the conference attendees and recalled her athletic days in high school when females did not want to be seen as athletes. Her talk of "You Can Do Better Than That!" was very encouraging to the hundreds of female athletes, coaches and administra-

Nell Fortner was the keynote speaker at the Sunday banquet. Fortner is the former US Olympic women's basketball coach and won a gold medal in 2000 Olympics. Fortner is now

At the conference, members attended workshops on a variety of topics including Opportunities in Collegiate Sports; Boyfriends, Coaches Involvement, Team Effects; A Healthy Weight for Performance, Psychology of the Injured Athlete; Student Leadership Workshop; Yoga; and Kick Boxing.

experience. I learned a lot about nutrition and enjoyed Kick Boxing and Yoga as well as the

### Varsity Club athletes attend Women In Sports leadership conference

on Feb. 2-3. The 2003 conference was titled, "You Can Do Better Than That!"

general manager of the Indiana Fever in the WNBA.

Tara Cariano, conference attendee, said, "The WISL conference was a fun and motivating

### Medications too expensive? New reports could help save money

Are your medications too some money expensive for your budget? If so, information in two new tance Clearinghouse has pub- a new report "How to Get a Rapids area pharmacies.

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Varsity Club members attending from Lowell included Meghan Beachum, Jacque

Benedict, Kelsev Capps, Tara Cariano, Noelle Dewey, Amy Oberlin, Holly Plattner and

Lisa Wojciakowski. Advisor Dee Crowley accompanied the members at the conference.

scription Drugs."

for consumers to obtain a free all the drugs that are available lion Americans who are lack-

The Prescription Assis- You Can't Afford to Pay" and card that can be used at Grand free or at low cost directly "There are over 70 pro-

manufacturers. The report scription Assistance Clearing- rectly from the manufacturer. gives step-by-step instructions house. "It provides a listing of

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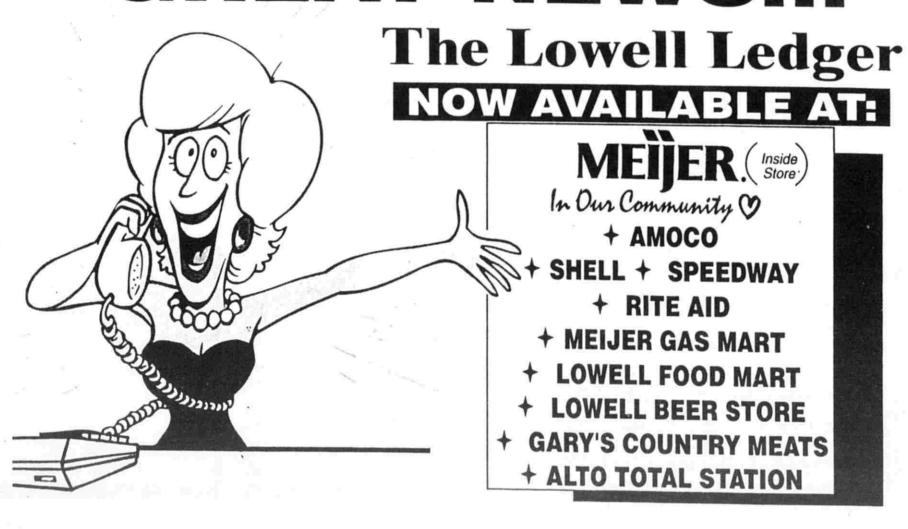
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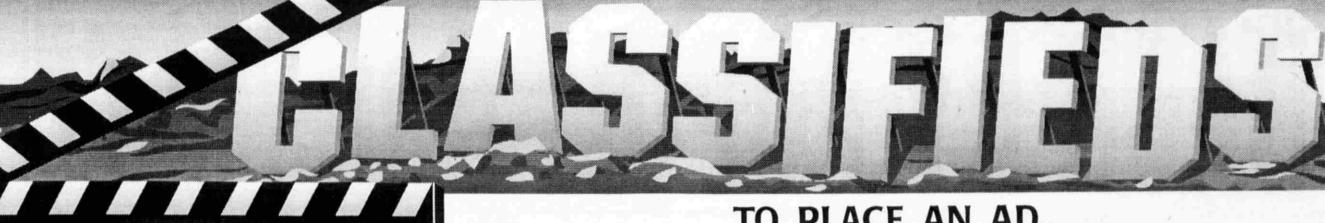
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Card to Save Money on Pre- grams from major drug manu- tion Assistance Clearing- the printing, postage and hanfacturers that provide free or house, the information in the dling to: Central Fulfillment The booklet gives infor- low cost medication. These report can help consumers Center, Free Prescription Drug mation on how and where to programs are rarely, if ever, receive a drug discount card Booklet Offer #FPD0218E. get free and low cost prescrip- publicized," says Chris even if their income is too P.O. Box 408342, Chicago, tion drugs directly from drug Pongsak, a researcher at Pre- high to qualify for drugs di- IL 60640-8342.

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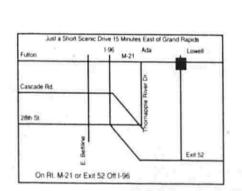
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