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## Council reconsiders, votes to pass PUD ordinance

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

It took two-and-a-half years, 44 meetings, a threat of a lawsuit and a councilman's change in position, but none of that mattered to the developer following the Lowell City Council's 3-1 vote to approve the planned unit development ordinance for the Highland Hills project.

"Other than the amount of time, I am happy with the

final project," said Sundry Corporation's Kevin Rude. "We'll do our darnedest to get things done this construction season."

A 3-2 vote by the council to reject the planned unit development ordinance on July 21 created doubt as to whether the project would ever get started.

With the help of attorney William H. Bowie, of McShane and Bowie law firm, a strong argument was made

for reconsideration Monday night.

The PUD plan had been passed after a number of hearings from the planning commission and a subcommittee from the city council.

The council endorsed a PUD plan in which the items brought into question at the July meeting were examined and endorsed by the city.

In November of 2002, the city council approved the project by rezoning the prop-

erty and then approving the final site plan with specific conditions, all of which were satisfied or which Sundry stood ready to satisfy.

"Clearly, in rezoning the property in the first instance and in approving the final site plan with conditions, the planning commission and city council must have considered all of the other factors (traffic, flow and density)," Bowie explained.

Councilman Alan

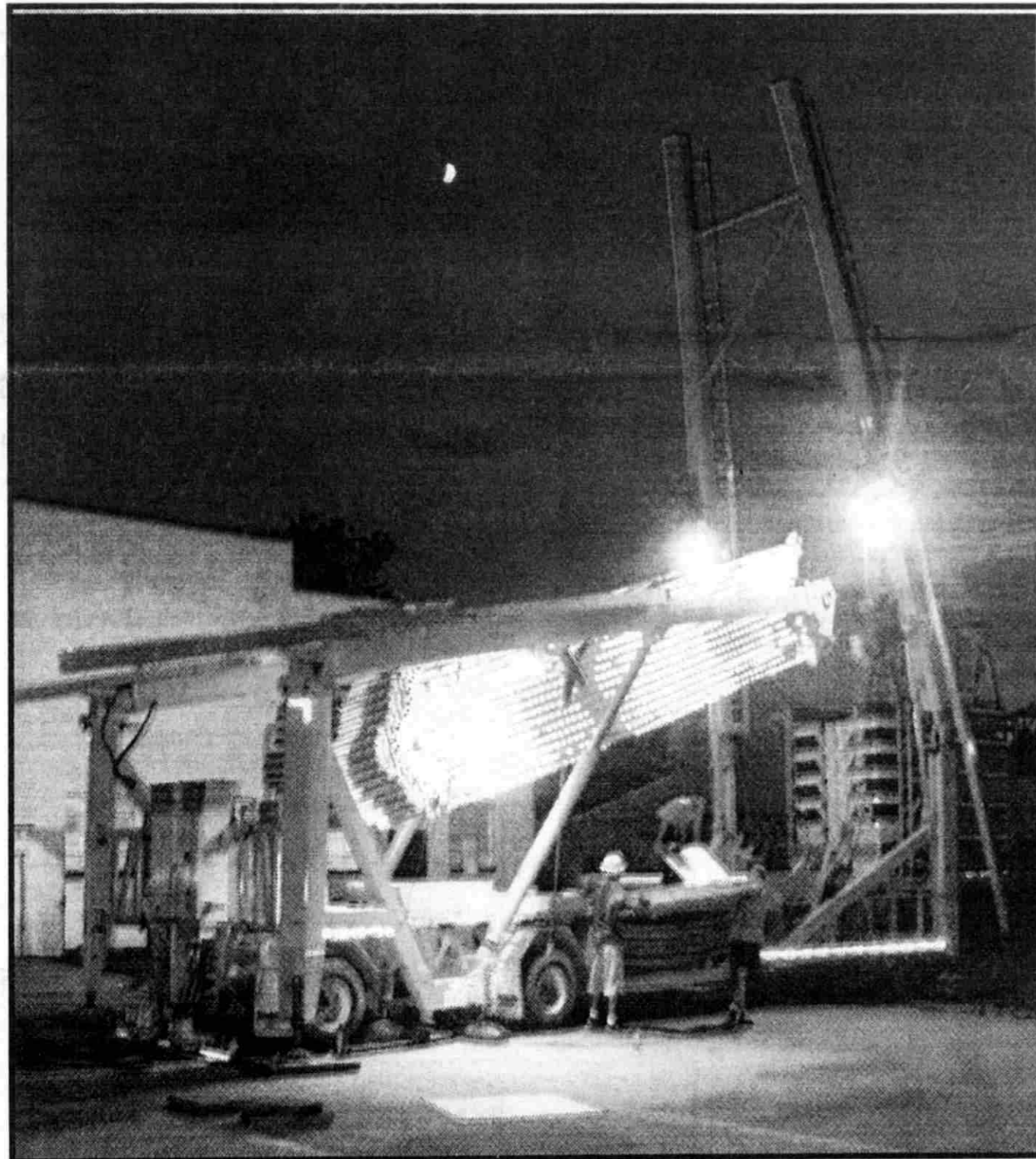
Mathews, who voted "no" in July, along with Chuck Myers and Mayor Jeanne Shores, made a motion to reconsider following a presentation by Bowie.

The council then considered a motion of amendments to the agreement before the ordinance was brought before the council for another vote.

Michael Blough, Jim Pfaller and Mathews voted "yes." Shores voted "no" say-

ing she just could not support the project. Councilman Myers was absent.

The amendments, brought forward by Mathews and approved by the council, call for no heavy trucks (above two axels) on Grove Street; removal of the access road between Grindle Court and Highland Hills when the project is completed (Sept. 2004); and limiting construction noise to between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.



## Horse incident tops fair's manic Monday

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

You may have seen Kent County Youth Fair president, Ron Wenger sitting down at the fairgrounds on Sunday or Monday.

He was resting just long enough to think about how he was going to scramble around and get a few last minute details completed. Anyone who stood around long enough to watch probably was the recipient of a few barking orders when he was through.

"When things begin to get busy or hectic, I get quiet, then I sit down and think how am I going to accomplish the task," Wenger explains.

With more animals, com-

mercial exhibits and rides, Wenger says there are also more headaches.

Scrambling is a part of the opening day tasks even for fair office manager, Kerry Nugent.

"It's crazy as usual," Nugent explained as she made her way back to the office. "It's always this way. People are busy getting settled in, registered, checked in, weighed in and setting up their exhibits.

"By Monday night everybody has gotten into a routine and things are more relaxed," Nugent said.

This Monday night was different, however, as the unusual continued. A horse, in

the exercise arena, was spooked and ran back to barn. En route, the horse injured three fair patrons. None of them incurred broken bones or serious injuries. All three were taken to an area hospital to be examined.

Wenger was busy Sunday making sure the new carnival company had arrived and was set up. On Monday, he was working on locating two more wagons for shuttle service to and from the fairgrounds, and filling up mud and water holes.

"We're scrambling a little," Wenger says with a smile. "But we're gaining fast."

And the Ferris Wheel goes up ... shown in the beginning stages, it takes a crew of six about five hours to set up the ride. Picture courtesy Bruce Doll

## October celebration turning into a harvest of activity

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Lowell Ledger Editor

The celebration commenced through the gathering of just a couple activities.

Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce's (LACC) Scarecrow Building Clinic and the Lowell Merchants Harvest Sales and Open House were the start for Lowell's Harvest Celebration.

Kent County Youth Fair then mixed in a Harvest Arts & Craft Show.

Last year the makings of an annual Chili Madness Chili Cook-off was stirred in by Larkin's Restaurant as well as a Free Admission Day at the Lowell Area Historical Museum (LAHM).

A few more activities have been harvested for Oct. 11: a Historic Home Tour offered by the LAHM and the chamber's Flat River Antique Fair.

"We didn't want the Harvest Celebration to become a chamber event like the Riverwalk Festival," said LACC executive director, Liz Baker.

Instead, Baker put aside a fall weekend for the celebration and then encouraged other organizations and/or businesses to add something of their own.

"What started off with just the scarecrow building and the merchants' sales along Main Street has built into something much more," Baker explained. "You don't have to be a chamber member to participate."

Larkin's patio was the site for last year's chili cook-off. With aspirations of 20-25 participants, it will be moved to N. Broadway.

Cooking will begin at 11 a.m., with tasting from 3 until 7 p.m.

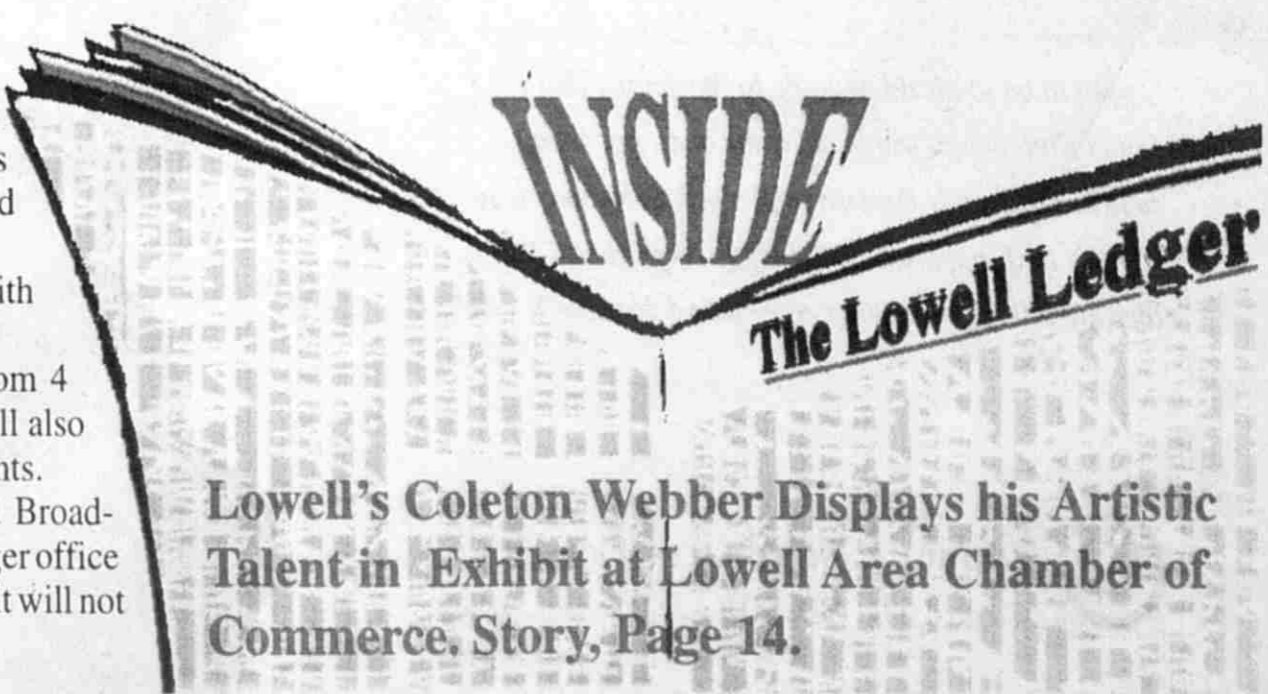
Live music will be provided from 4 until 7 p.m. and a Miller beer tent will also be available to patrons and participants.

Police chief, Jim Valentine said Broadway will be blocked off from the Ledger office door south to Main Street. "That way it will not

interfere with people's access to the other stores on the block."

Chili cook-off participants will compete for Thanksgiving Day tickets to the Detroit Lions/Green Bay Packers game.

To reserve a spot in the cook-off call 897-5977.



Lowell's Coleton Webber Displays his Artistic Talent in Exhibit at Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce. Story, Page 14.

## OBITUARIES

**BIERI** - Olive L. Bieri, aged 98, of Lowell, went to be with the Lord, August 1, 2003. She was preceded in death by her husband Lawrence, son Arthur, grandchildren Larry and Cindy Johnson, Tom Butterfield, and son-in-law Bud Gauger. She is survived by her children Merle (Herb) Butterfield of Jenison, Vivian (Bill) Johnson, Vonnice Gauger, Jan Bieri all of Lowell; 13 grandchildren; many great-grandchildren and also great-great-grandchildren. Memorial funeral services were held Tuesday at the First Baptist Church of Lowell, Pastors Burland Margesson and Lee Taylor officiating. Interment Bowne Center Cemetery.

etery. Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church of Lowell.

**LOWREY** - Helen I. Lowrey, aged 85, of Saranac, passed away August 1, 2003 in Grand Rapids. She was born August 23, 1917, in Campbell Twp., the daughter of Stephen and Ida (Blough) Miller. She married Leslie Morrison in 1946 who preceded her in death in 1966. She then went on to marry Ty Lowrey in 1971 who preceded her in death in 1992. Helen attended Berlin Center United Methodist Church. She is survived by her sons Lyle L. (Linda) Morrison of Saranac, Vaughn L. (Marjorie) Morrison of Lowell; seven grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Aug. 4 at Lake Funeral Home in Ionia with Rev. David Fligel and Rev. Mark Johnson officiating. Interment Saranac Cemetery. Anyone wishing may make a memorial contribution to Berlin United Methodist Church.

**MALONE** - Doris D. Malone, aged 85, of Clarksville, formerly of Lowell, passed away August 2, 2003. She was preceded in death by her husband Paul and daughter-in-law Donna Malone. She is survived by her sons James of Rockford, Phillip (Patsy) of Kentwood, Timothy (Nancy), Steve (Liz) all of

Lowell; brother-in-law Wilson (Winnie) Malone of Florida; sister-in-law Helen Rafferty of Grand Rapids; 10 grandchildren; eight great-

grandchildren. Memorial funeral services were held Tuesday at Roth-Gerst Chapel, Rev. Rock J. Badgerow of St.

Patrick Church, Parnell, officiating. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery, Belding. Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of one's choice.

## Putting houseplants outdoors has more risks than benefits

Most houseplants could go outdoors for the summer. But before you subject your indoor plants to outdoor conditions, you might want to ask yourself what you hope to accomplish. Then you can weigh that against the risks inherent in setting plants outside.

Increased growth is a common result of houseplants spending the summer outdoors. Plants that have been idling along on low light conditions indoors may double in size by fall in the brighter light outdoors. That's fine if you want larger plants. But if indoor space is limited or you simply don't want to invest time and effort in repotting, this much vigorous growth may not be desirable.

If your plants are healthy and making some growth indoors, you might just want to leave them there. Indoors, they are not subject to damage by weather, insects, animals and vandals as they are outside. Placing plants in a sheltered, shaded location on the north

or east side of a building or other structure and sinking their pots into the soil to the rim can limit the potential for sunburn, slow moisture loss from the soil in pots and protect containers from blowing over in the wind. Plants may still need frequent -- maybe even daily -- watering, especially in warm, windy weather, and they can still be broken by wind, rain or hail.

Wild or domestic animals and vandals may damage or destroy plants or, in the case of human pests, steal them. Insects and diseases may injure plants and hitchhike indoors in the fall, where they may proliferate and overrun plants stressed by the sudden change in growing conditions and spread to plants that stayed indoors all summer. If you decide to put houseplants outside, follow these tips:

- Repot or cut the plant back somewhat before you set it out.
- Make sure it's in a pot with drainage holes so excess rain water can drain out.
- Make the switch out-

doors gradually. Put it out for only a couple of hours for the first few days so it can adjust to outdoor conditions.

• Bury pots to the rim or be prepared to take them indoors or set them in the garage when severe weather threatens or you'll be away from home.

• Check plants frequently for dry soil and signs of insect or disease problems. Water and fertilize regularly and control problems as soon as you spot them.

• Put plants out only after the local frost-free date and bring them back inside when night temperatures start dropping in the 50s.

• Isolate plants that have been outdoors and watch them for pests and diseases. Keep them away from strictly indoor plants until you're sure they're problem-free. Be ready to discard severely infested plants.

• Be aware that plants coming indoors may respond to the drastic change in growing conditions by dropping large quantities of foliage.

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### Cherry Creek Elementary Meet the Teacher Day

August 21, 2003  
 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Students and parents will have an opportunity to tour the building and meet the teachers.

### Cherry Creek Elementary Parent Information Night

August 26th from 6:00-6:45 p.m.  
 (for parents of students in grades 2 & 3)

August 27th from 6:00-6:45 p.m.  
 (for parents of students in grades 4 & 5)

Parents are invited to come and learn more about the curriculum and grade level expectations.

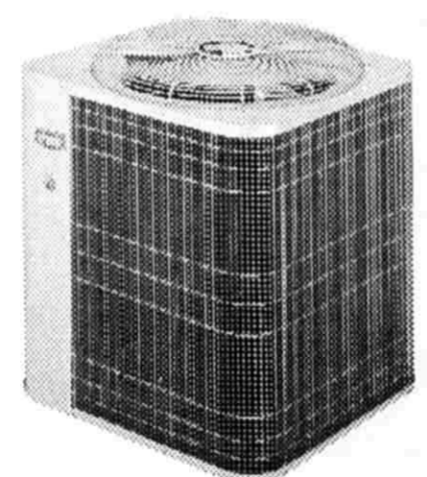
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## CARNIVAL RIDES

**UNLIMITED RIDES:**

- MONDAY \$8, 5 - 10 P.M.
- TUESDAY \$14, NOON - 10 P.M.
- WEDNESDAY \$14, NOON - 10 P.M.
- THURSDAY \$14, NOON - 10 P.M.
- FRIDAY \$14, NOON - 5 P.M.
- SATURDAY \$10, NOON - 5 P.M.

**ANTIQUA TRACTOR PULL**  
 Monday 7 PM

**SKATEBOARD DEMONSTRATION**  
 Monday 7:30 PM

**MULE PULL - OPEN CLASS**  
 Tuesday 7:30 PM

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK'S EVENTS:

**HORSE JUDGING - FLAG RACE**  
 THURSDAY 7 PM

**LIGHT WEIGHT HORSE PULL**  
 WEDNESDAY 7 PM

**LIVESTOCK SALE**  
 THURSDAY 2 PM

**KEYHOLE - SPEED & ACTION**  
 THURSDAY 6:30 PM

**TEEN BARN DANCE**  
 FRIDAY 8 PM

**DRAFT & PONY SHOW**  
 SATURDAY 8 AM - 5 PM

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### DAILY

**Nikki's Kid's Show - Star Stage**  
 Mon. 3:00 & 6:00 p.m. Tue. 2:00 & 6:00 p.m. Wed. 2:30 & 7:00 p.m.  
 Thurs. 4:00 & 6:30 p.m. Fri. 1:00 & 7:30 p.m. Sat. 11:30 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

**Kids Show**  
 "I'm A Star" Open Mike - Star Stage  
 Mon. 3:30-5:30 p.m. Tue. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wed. 12:30-2:30 p.m.  
 Thurs. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Fri. 5:00-7:00 p.m. Sat. 12:30-2:30 p.m.  
 VFW Bingo Daily Monday - Friday 1:00-5:00 p.m., 6:00-10:00 p.m.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 2nd**  
 9:00 a.m. Dog Showmanship & Obedience Rabbit Barn

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 3rd**  
 4:30-6:30 p.m. Park Dinner Event Tent  
 5:00 p.m. Gospel Entertainment "The Cobb Sisters" Stage  
 6:30 p.m. Opening Ceremonies, Followed By: Royal Court Coronation

**MONDAY, AUGUST 4th**  
**FAMILY NIGHT OUT!**  
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9:00 a.m. Horse Judging: ABC Grouping Horse Arena  
 9:30 a.m. Goat Judging Reath Barn  
 Costume Contest Follows  
 12:30 p.m. Horse Judging: Showmanship Horse Arena  
 Explorer Showmanship Horse Arena  
 1:00 p.m. Horse Judging: Showmanship Horse Arena  
 1:00 p.m. Rabbit Breed Judging Rabbit Tent  
 1:00-3:00 p.m. Youth Talent Contest Registration Stage Tent  
 3:00 p.m. Horse Judging: King Bldg  
 Explorer Project Evaluation Event Tent  
 3:00-5:00 p.m. Family Reading Festival Event Tent  
 Sponsored By: Kent District Library

5:00-10:00 p.m. Carnival Rides Open-Unlimited \$8.00 (Coupons not valid with this offer)  
 3:00-5:00 p.m. I-96 WWII Field Day Livestock Arena  
 Live Remote: I-96 Morning Team  
 6:00 p.m. Swine Showmanship Reath Barn  
 6:30 p.m. Youth Fashion Show Stage Tent  
 7:00 p.m. Horse Judging: Presentations Horse Arena  
 7:00 p.m. "The Strongman" Children's Show Star Stage  
 7:00 p.m. Antique Tractor Pull - Open Event Track Sponsored By: McDonald Plumbing  
 7:00 p.m. Youth Talent Contest Stage Tent  
 Special Thanks: St. Cecilia Music Society  
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7:30 p.m. Skateboard Demonstration Midway Sponsored By:  
 7:30 p.m. Beef Explorer Class Beef Arena Anthem Skate Shop  
 7:30 p.m. Horse Judging Horse Arena  
 Down & Back, Pole bending

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 5th**  
**GRANDPARENT'S DAY**  
 Sponsored by KING MILLING

Today Chainsaw Carving Midway  
 8:00 a.m. Horse Judging Dressage Test Horse Arena  
 9:00 a.m. Goat Quiz Bowl Stage Tent  
 9:00 a.m. Beef Showmanship Classes Livestock Arena  
 10:00 a.m. Rabbit Carry Explorer Showmanship Rabbit Tent  
 11:00-1:00 p.m. Clown Judging Stage Tent  
 11:00-1:00 p.m. Grand Rapid's Griffins Star Stage  
 11:00-5:00 p.m. Hunter's Safety Class King Bldg

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 Please Register at (616) 897-5924  
 11:00-9:00 p.m. Drunk Driving Simulator Midway  
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 12:00-10:00 p.m. Carnival Rides Unlimited \$14.00  
 1:00-3:00 p.m. Kid's Sing-A-Long Star Stage  
 St. Cecilia Music Society-Choral Program

### Tuesday, continued...

Noon-10:00 p.m. Carnival Rides Unlimited \$14.00  
 Noon-4:00 p.m. Blood Pressure Check Event Tent  
 1:00 p.m. Horse Judging: Trail Exercise Arena  
 1:00 p.m. Horse Judging: Horse Arena  
 1:00 p.m. Jumping & Hunter Seat Stage Tent  
 1:00-4:00 p.m. Performing Arts: Vocal & Instrumental Stage Tent  
 2:00-3:00 p.m. Free Grandparent's Coffee Event Tent  
 3:00-5:00 p.m. Grand Rapid's Hoops "HOPPE" Star Stage  
 4:00 p.m. Mini Mule Pull - Open Event Track  
 6:00 p.m. Dog Agility Registration Football Field  
 6:00 p.m. Rabbit Judging: Showmanship Rabbit Tent  
 6:00 p.m. Horse Judging: Stick Horse Event Horse Arena  
 6:30 p.m. Dog Agility Judging Football Field  
 7:00 p.m. Horse Judging: Flag Race Horse Arena  
 7:00 p.m. Mule Pull - Open Event Track

7:30 P.M. Chelsea Oaks Concert  
 FREE ADMISSION

### Thursday, continued...

2:30 p.m. Horse Judging: Horse Arena  
 Saddle Seat Equitation, Gymkhana Equitation  
 2:00 p.m. Livestock Sale Reath Barn  
 Small Animals  
 2:30 p.m. Livestock Sale Continues  
 Sale Order: Swine, Sheep, Feeder Calf, Gallon of Milk & Beef  
 3:00-5:00 p.m. Grand Rapid's Griffins "GRIF" Star Stage  
 4:00 p.m. Horse Judging: Reining Horse Arena  
 5:30-6:30 p.m. Youth Variety Show Stage Tent  
 6:00 p.m. Garden Tractor Pull-Open Event Track  
 6:30 p.m. Horse Arena: Horse Arena  
 Keyhole-Speed & Action  
 7:00 p.m. Ice Cream Social Midway  
 Courtesy of: Cherry Valley Livestock 4-H Club  
 7:00 & 8:00 p.m. Thunderfloor Cluggers Stage Tent  
 7:30 & 8:30 p.m. Dealey the Clown Stage Tent  
 8:00 p.m. Horse Judging: Horse Arena

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6th**  
**LADIES' DAY**  
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Today Chainsaw Carving Midway  
 8:00 a.m. Horse Judging Horse Arena  
 Hunt Seat & Dressage Seat Equitation, Suitable to be Dressage  
 9:00 a.m. Storytelling & Puppetry Judging Stage  
 9:00 a.m. Beef Steer Market Classes Livestock Arena  
 11:30 a.m. Theater Judging Stage Tent  
 12:00-10:00 p.m. Carnival Rides Unlimited \$14.00  
 1:00-4:00 p.m. Car Seat Safety Inspection Parking Area  
 1:00 p.m. Feeder Calf Judging Livestock Arena  
 Followed by: Beef Breed Heifer Show  
 1:00 p.m. Goat Team Fitting Contest Reath Barn  
 1:00 p.m. Goat Trail, Fitting & Showing Classes Reath Barn  
 1:00 p.m. Horse Judging Horse Arena  
 Saddle Seat, English/Western Riding Horse Arena  
 2:00-4:00 p.m. Traveling Zoo & Touch Table Event Tent  
 Sponsored By John Ball Zoo  
 3:00-4:00 p.m. West Michigan Whitecap's "CRASH" Star Stage  
 5:00 p.m. Sheep Judging Reath Barn  
 Market, Showmanship, & Breed  
 6:15 p.m. Horse Judging: Freestyle Horse Arena  
 7:00 p.m. Horse Judging: Team Performance Horse Arena  
 7:00 p.m. Lightweight Horse Pull Track  
 Open Event  
 7:30 p.m. DeWayne Spaw Concert (Free) Stage Tent  
 High Energy Country Music Show!

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 7th**  
**AGRICULTURE DAY**  
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Today Chainsaw Carving Midway  
 8:00 a.m. Horse Judging Dressage Test Horse Arena  
 9:00-11:00 a.m. Goat Quiz Bowl Stage Tent  
 9:00 a.m. Beef Showmanship Classes Livestock Arena  
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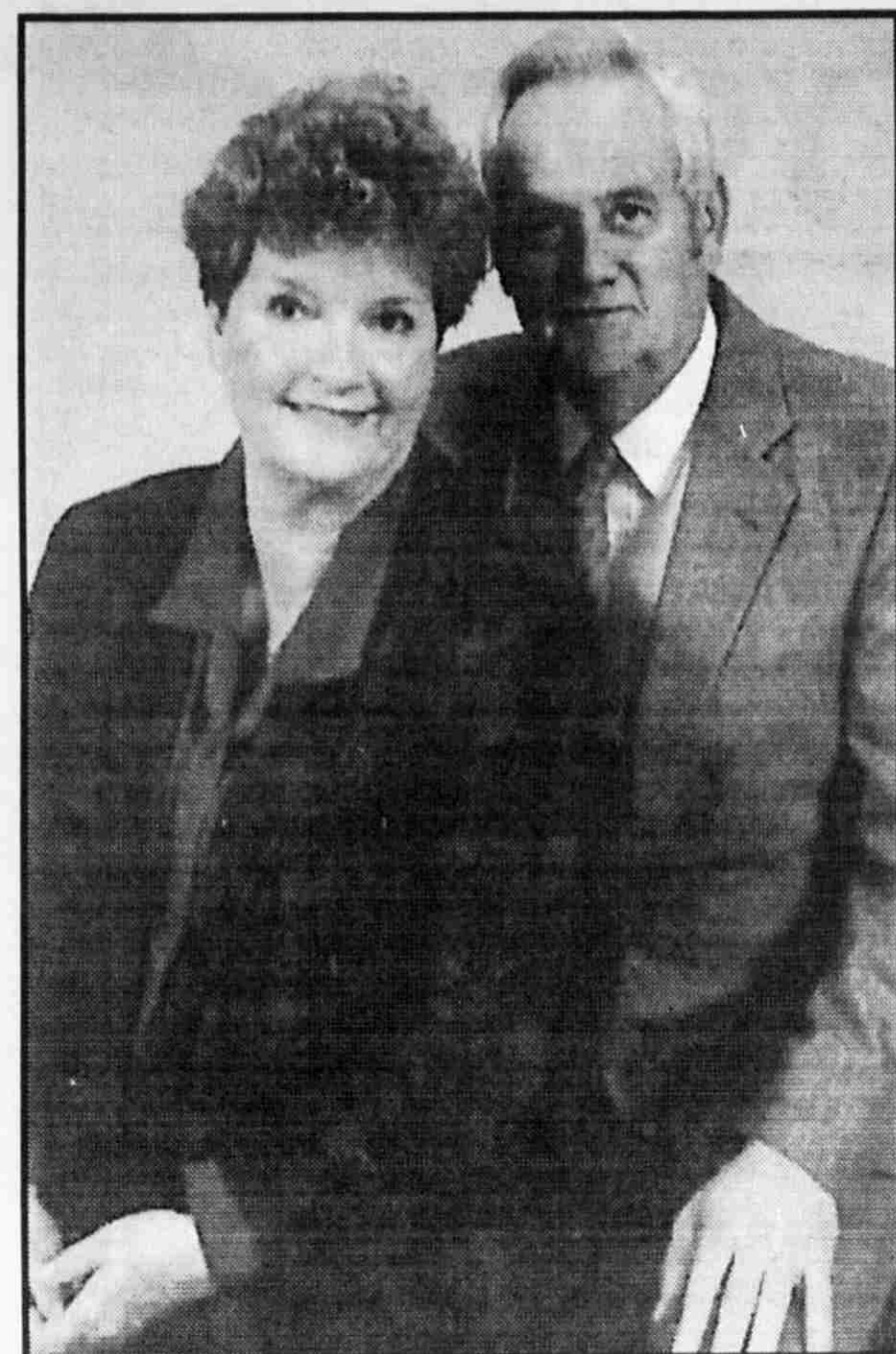
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**FRIDAY, AUGUST 8th**  
**Handi-CAPABLE Day**  
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8:00 a.m. Horse Judging Horse Arena  
 English/Western Pleasure  
 11:00am-1:00pm. Carnival Rides for Special Needs Individuals  
 11:00am-11:00pm. Drunk Driving Simulator Midway  
 Sponsored by State Farm Insurance  
 10:00am. Dairy Showmanship Classes Reath Barn  
 Dairy-type classes immediately following  
 11:30 a.m. Horse Judging Horse Arena  
 Grand & Reserve Showmanship Horse Arena  
 12:00-5:00 p.m. Teen Leadership Judging Event Tent  
 12:00-5:00 p.m. Carnival Rides Unlimited \$14.00  
 1:30 p.m. Horse Judging: Versatility Horse Arena  
 2:30 p.m. Tractor Driving Contest Livestock Arena  
 3:30 p.m. Horse Judging: Pro-Am Pressure Horse Arena  
 3:00-5:00 p.m. Grand Rapids Rampage "BLITZ" Star Stage  
 4:00 p.m. Explorer Recognition Stage Tent  
 6:30-10:30 p.m. Country Karaoke Stage Tent  
 Special Thanks: B93 and Farrow's Music  
 7:00 p.m. Extrication Demonstration Midway  
 Lowell Fire Department  
 7:00 p.m. NBHA Seep Horse Show Horse Arena  
 Open Event  
 8:00-11:00 p.m. Teen Barn Dance Reath Barn

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 9th**  
**KID'S DAY**  
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8:00am-5:00pm. Draft & Pony Show - Open Event Horse Arena  
 9:00 a.m. Horse Judging: Costume Exercise Arena  
 9:00 a.m. Showmanship Sweepstakes Reath Barn  
 12:00-5:00 p.m. Carnival Rides Unlimited \$10.00  
 12:30 p.m. Bonnie Blue Bell's Performance Midway  
 New Olympian Show Team  
 Followed by: Baton Twirling Clinic  
 1:00 p.m. Carnival's Giveaway Stage Tent  
 2:00 p.m. Rabbit Awards Stage Tent  
 2:00 p.m. Puff the Dragon Pedal Pull Midway  
 Youth Classes  
 4:00 p.m. Horse Combination Awards Stage Tent  
 5:00 p.m. Fair Closes for 2003  
 Release of all Exhibits  
 See you next year! August 9-14, 2004



## 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Bill and Betty (Ribbens) Wierenga, of Lowell, are celebrating 50 years of marriage on Thursday, August 7, 2003. The celebration will include a family dinner at the Hoffman House.

The couple are the parents of Bill and Susan Lethcho, Bill and Joanne Wierenga and Scott and Sharon Chambers. They have eight grandchildren.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**AUGUST 7:** Barbara Wright, Don Grummet, Jaimi Smith, Steve Newell.

**AUGUST 8:** Jennifer Kimble, Chris Goggins, John Rasch, Allen Hoekstra, Sharell Wolf.

**AUGUST 9:** Pamela Esparza, Steven Burrows.

**AUGUST 10:** Madeline Scott.

**AUGUST 11:** Mike Wilcewski, Jordan Warren.

**AUGUST 12:** Robin Briggs, Linda Uzarski, Betty Powell, Steve Martin, Sr., Gaylord Heaston.

**AUGUST 13:** Robert Hewitt, Ryan Christenson, Ryan Roe, Mike Roth.

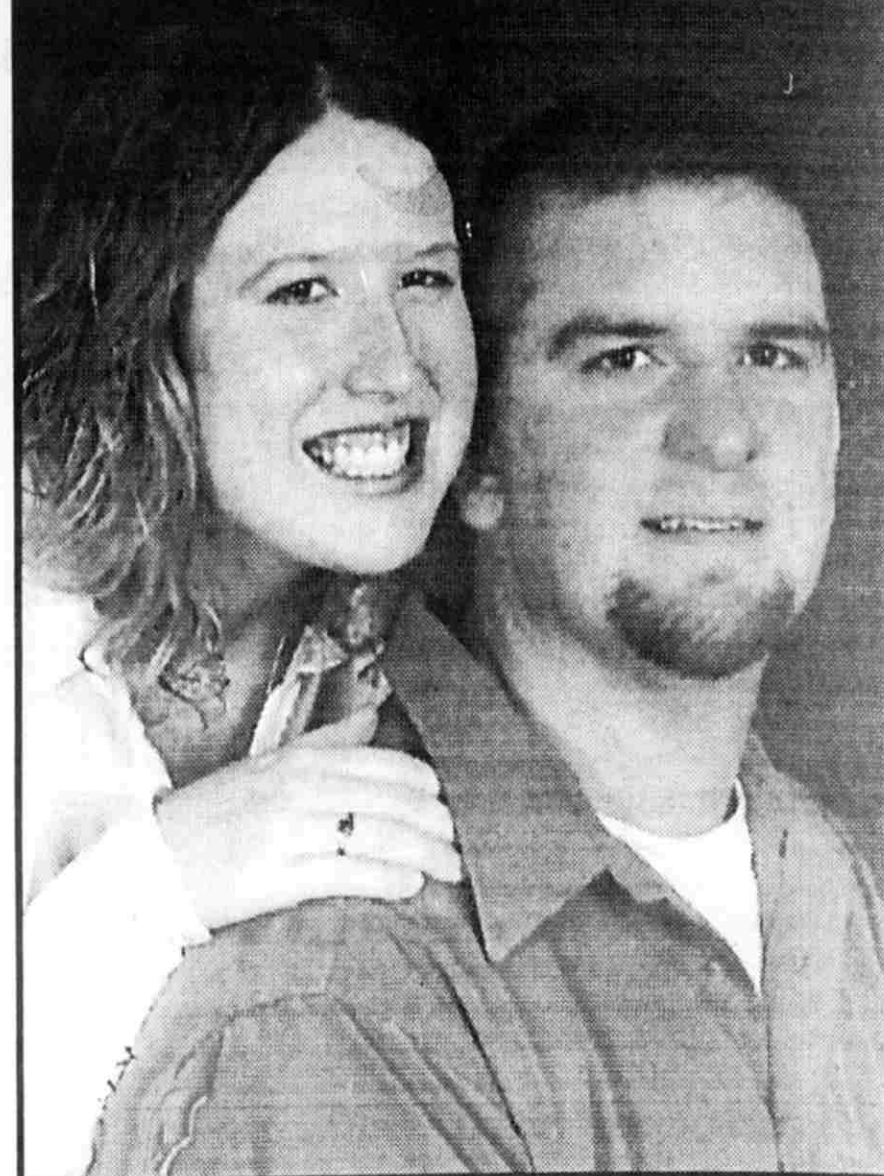


## Spicer/Pfaller

Sandi Spicer, of Jenison, and Jeff Pfaller, of Ypsilanti, are engaged and planning a September 6, 2003 wedding.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Janell Spicer of Jenison and Steve Spicer of Grand Rapids. She is a 1998 Lowell High School graduate and is attending Michigan State University. She is employed by Steelcase and Zales.

The future groom is the son of Robert and Gay Pfaller, of Lowell. He is a 1999 graduate of Lowell High School and graduated in May 2003 from Michigan State University with a B.A. degree in advertising. He is employed with Ogilvy and Mather in Detroit.



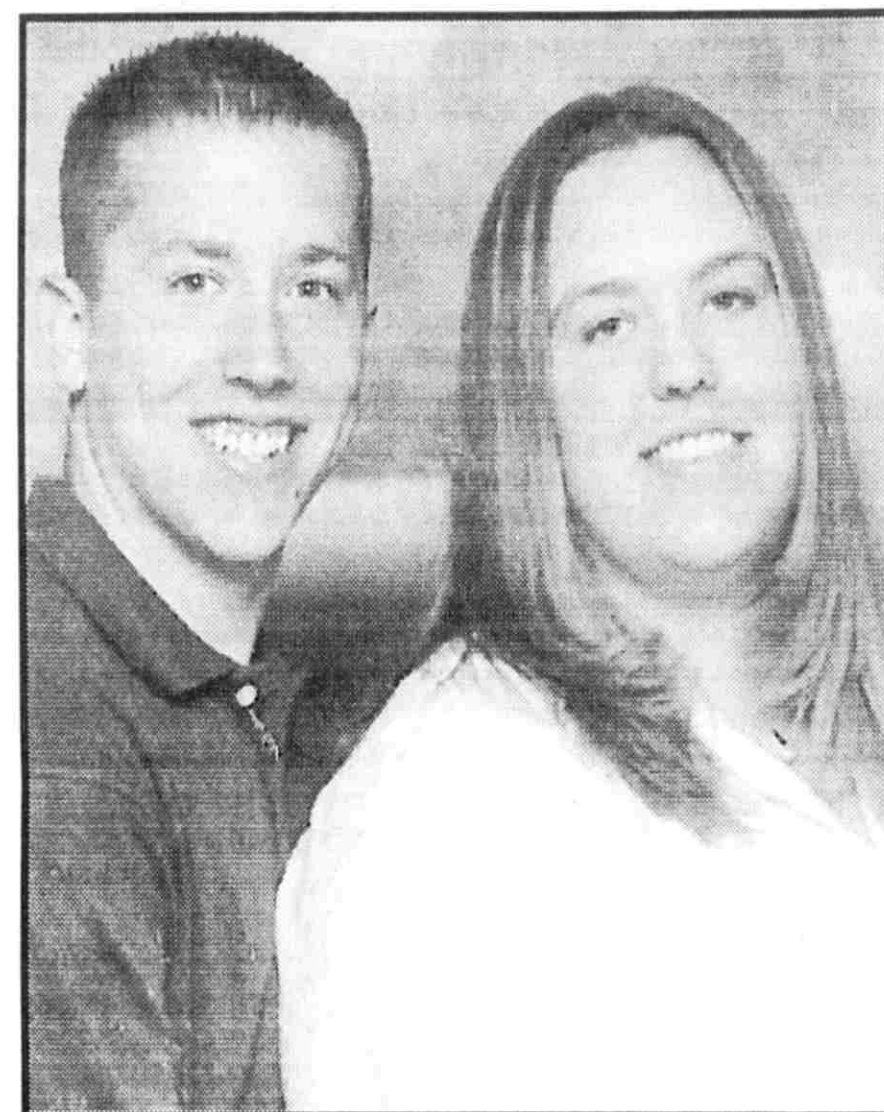
## Mekkes/Uzarski

Marie Mekkes and Chad Uzarski, both of Comstock Park, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Barbara and Albert Mekkes of Comstock Park. She is a graduate of Comstock Park High School and Ferris State University.

The intended groom is the son of Linda and Steven Uzarski of Lowell. He is a Lowell High School and Ferris State University graduate.

An October 4, 2003 wedding is planned.



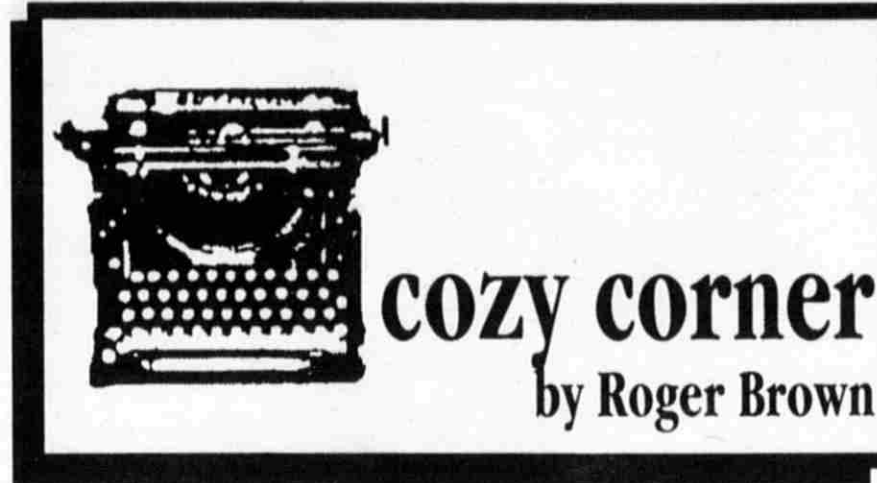
## Shockey/Schenk

William and Lois Shockey of Jenison are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Marie Shockey to Kurt Calvin Schenk, both of Lowell.

The bride-to-be is a 1999 Lowell High School graduate. The future groom is the son of Mark and Patricia Schenk, of Lowell. He is also a 1999 Lowell High School graduate.

A May 22, 2004 wedding is planned.

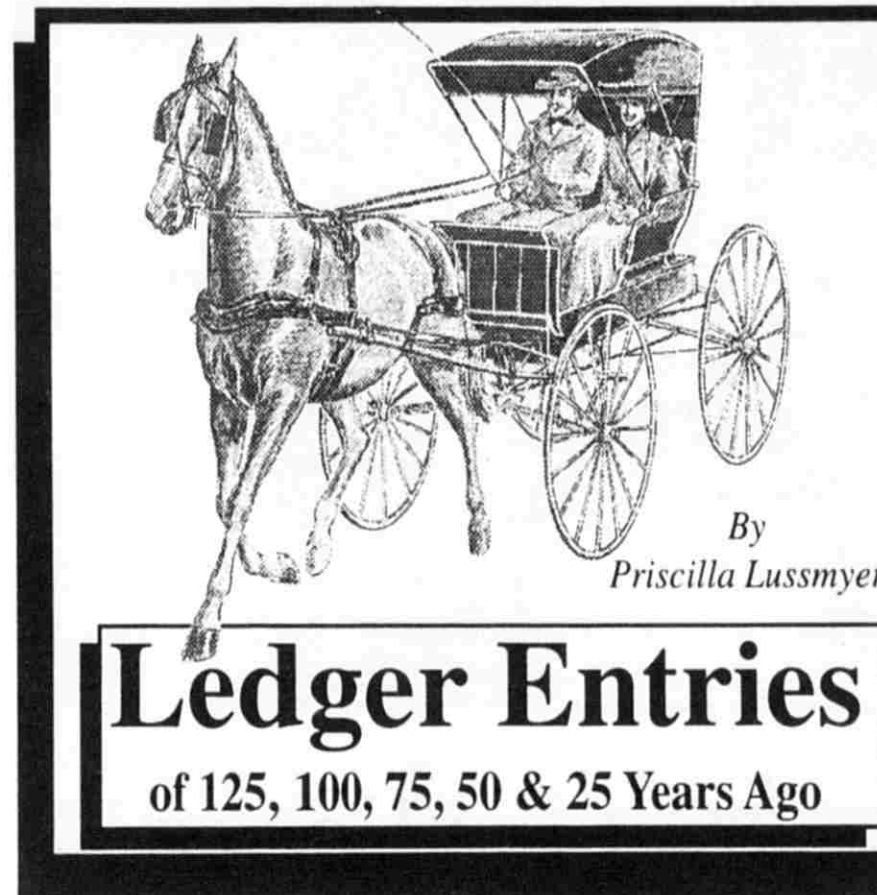
# Viewpoint . . .



The Cozy Corner is on vacation!  
The Cozy Corner was lost when the computer crashed!  
The Cozy Corner is suffering from the summer doldrums!

The alarm didn't work and the Cozy Corner overslept!  
The Cozy Corner is stifled by writer's block!  
The Cozy Corner is on strike!  
The Cozy Corner is fresh out of ideas!  
The Cozy Corner is a victim of the "Dog Days of August!"  
The Cozy Corner lacks inspiration!  
The Cozy Corner has a hangnail and cannot type!  
The Cozy Corner was in a horrible accident!  
The Cozy Corner was lost in the mail!  
The Cozy Corner's dog died!  
The Cozy Corner has a stomach ache!  
The Cozy Corner has a doctor's appointment!  
The Cozy Corner is A.W.O.L.!  
The Cozy Corner had a better offer!  
The Cozy Corner is playing hooky!  
The Cozy Corner went fishing!

The Cozy Corner had to take the dog to the vet!  
The Cozy Corner is lost!  
The Cozy Corner is tied up in traffic!  
The Cozy Corner was drafted!  
The Cozy Corner was on his way, but somebody bought another round!  
The Cozy Corner ran out of gas!  
The Cozy Corner had a flat tire!  
The Cozy Corner had to babysit his kid brother!  
The Cozy Corner has the flu!  
The Cozy Corner lost his wallet!  
There...that's gotta be just about every excuse I've ever conjured up. The honest truth is pretty much a summation of all the above. The Cozy Corner ran out of steam. I promise to come up with something for next week.



**125 YEARS**  
**THE WEEKLY JOURNAL**  
**AUGUST 7, 1878**

Hiram Wiley grew 846 bushels of wheat on 23 acres. Raising the sidewalk on the bridge across Flat River has started.

Sign posted "somewhere in this township": "I forbid any one of geten eny more sand on this side of the rode."

About thirty log-runners quit here on the Flat River last week, having only part-time work because of low water levels.

The Harvest party at Grattan Friday night was a great success, with 80 couples for an immense supper and dancing to Stocking & Co. band.

**100 YEARS**  
**THE LOWELL LEDGER**  
**AUGUST 6, 1903**

The East Side businessmen win the East-West ball game, 19-8, after a sixth-inning rally which brings in 12 runs. Lowell Council and School Board adopt Standard Time, ending the "fast time-slow time" confusion.

The editor calls for a revised list of men to whom liquor dealers may not sell, pointing out that there is much domestic unhappiness in Lowell because of intoxication.

The Oldsmobile sold by Adams & Hart of Grand Rapids is \$650; top and back seat will cost another \$50.

The new band will play an open-air concert on the business street next week Thursday in the evening.

**75 YEARS**  
**THE LOWELL LEDGER**  
**AND THE ALTO SOLO**  
**AUGUST 9, 1928 (1923)**

There are no microfilms of the Lowell ledger between May 24, 1928 and Nov. 15, 1928. We'll fill in with columns from 1998 and give you "80 years The Lowell Ledger and Alto Solo".

President Warren G. Harding dies, just after news of his recuperation comes out. A memorial service is held at City Hall Aug. 5.

Rumors about sale of the Ledger are unfounded, says the editor.

Chautauqua is coming the week of Aug. 21: music, lectures, drama, comedy, children's programs too.

Lowell Specialty Co. is doing so well it will add another

story to the new brick building.

In Alto, Art Schneider's Jersey cow tests the best (1305 lbs. milk, 65.3 butterfat) of the Alto Kent Coop.

**50 YEARS**  
**THE LOWELL LEDGER**  
**AUGUST 6, 1953**

The "Gamest Crowd in the World" describes the 88th performance audience of 6000, most of which somehow got to the 4-H Exhibition Building for the indoor performance, without any serious mishap.

Widening both ends of Main Street will include widening and curb on North Hudson to Spring Street.

McMahon-Reynolds men's clothing closed this week, and the Betty Kay shop will move in next month.

Lowell Happenings has large parts of two pages listing who were guests of whom at Showboat.

The Ledger's new rental Fairchild Scan-a-graver is installed, making picture-printing much easier.

**25 YEARS THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER**  
**AUGUST 9, 1978**

Amway Corporation buys the Pantlind Hotel in Grand Rapids.

P&D Distributing requests a license to operate an adult-supervised teen pool hall on Main Street.

Skateboarding is very popular now, the result of redesign of the homemade scooter in the '60s.

Congressman Hal Sawyer comments on the rising inflation, especially housing construction, land sales and mortgage rates.

Fishing is the fastest growing sport in the U.S.

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WED 11:30, 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30

SHOWTIMES 8/04 - 8/07

SEABISCUIT (PG-13)  
1:10, 4:00, 6:50, 9:40

LARA CROFT TOMB RAIDER: CRADLE OF LIFE (PG-13)  
12:20, 2:35, 4:50, 7:10, 9:40

SPY KIDS 3-D: GAME OVER (PG)  
11:40, 1:30, 3:20, 5:10, 7:00, 8:50

BAD BOYS II (R) ENDS TUES  
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**HEAT RELATED ILLNESSES**

There are three kinds of heat related illnesses: heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke. One of these may result if you get too hot and your body cannot cool.

Heat cramps are the mildest of the heat related illnesses and are usually a result of sweating too much and taking in not enough fluid. The cramps are often in the calf and abdominal muscles. You can help prevent these cramps if you stretch your muscles before exercise, and drink enough fluids.

If you don't drink enough fluids and you stay in the heat, you can get heat exhaustion. This results in dehydration, and

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sive growth, growth-and income, income, etc. You can divide your investment dollars among these sub-accounts to create a diversified portfolio.

- Tax-deferred earnings**—You'll pay no taxes on your variable annuity's earnings and income until you start making withdrawals, typically when you're retired. Consequently, your money will grow faster than it would if placed in an investment on which you paid taxes each year.
- Guaranteed death benefit**—If you die before you've started taking withdrawals from your variable annuity, your beneficiary is guaranteed to receive a specified amount; at a minimum, this will be the amount of your purchase payments. Keep in mind, though, that guarantees on annuities are backed by the claims-paying ability of the issuing insurance company.
- Flexible withdrawal options**—You generally have a number of ways in which you can take withdrawals from your annuity. You can set up a stream of income that you-or you and your spouse—can't outlive, or you can choose to take the money over a certain number of years.

As you can see, a variable annuity does offer some attractive features for anyone interested in saving money for retirement. But, as is always the case in the investment world, there is more than one side to the variable annuity story. So, consider some of the potential drawbacks:

- Investment risk**—The word "variable" means what it says: The value of your annuity can, and will, go up and down, based on the performance of your underlying investments. If

you may feel nauseated, tired, anxious and even confused. You should move to a cool, shady place or an air-conditioned room. Apply cool compresses and drink cool liquids. If you are confused, have someone transport you to a hospital.

Heat stroke is a very serious heat related problem. You will be confused, your temperature will be very high, and you may not be sweating at all. Heat stroke is a life threatening emergency - you should be treated the same as heat exhaustion and taken to a hospital immediately.

The most important thing to remember about heat related illnesses is that they are generally preventable. Hydrate yourself well before any outdoor activity when it is hot. Wear light clothing, stretch well, then hydrate yourself again.

**ARE VARIABLE ANNUITIES RIGHT FOR YOU?**

To save the money you'll need for that comfortable retirement you've been working toward, your best move is to contribute as much as you can afford to your 401(k) and IRA. But what happens if you hit the contribution limits on these two plans? What other investments are there for you?

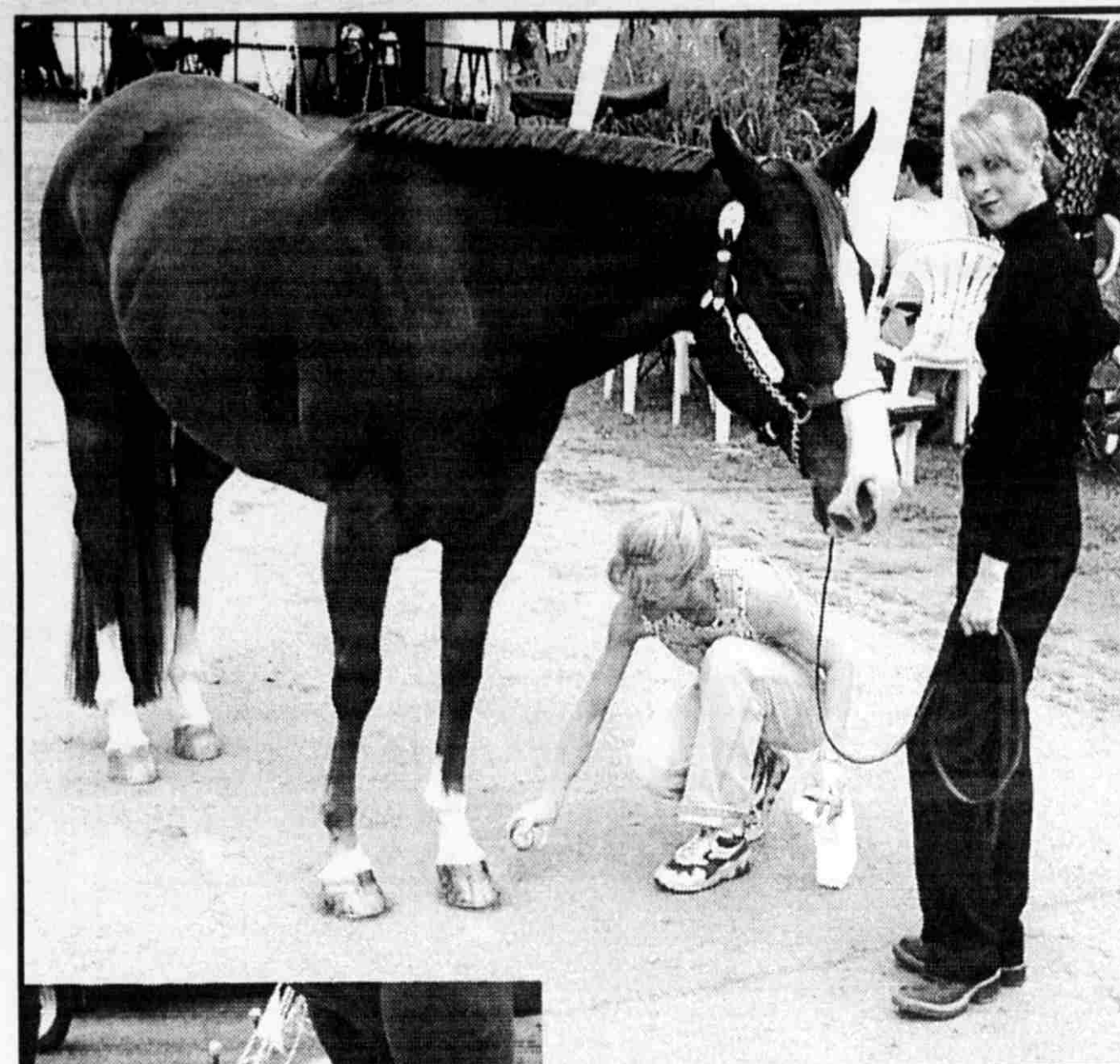
One possibility is a variable annuity. However, before you purchase one, review the positives and the negatives—because they're both present.

Let's look at some of the key benefits of a variable annuity:

- Variety of investment choices**—Your variable annuity is made up of several separate investment sub-accounts. Typically, these sub-accounts have different objectives—aggress-

these investments are of high quality, and you hold them for many years, you have a good chance of achieving exceptional growth—but there's no guarantee that your principal will increase, or even be preserved.

- Surrender charges**—If you need to tap into your variable annuity within a few years of purchasing it (typically, six to eight years), you may well have to pay a surrender charge, which declines gradually over time. However, some annuity contracts allow you to withdraw a small percentage of your account value each year, free of surrender charges. And others, such as "A" shares, incur no surrender charges.
- Early withdrawal penalty**. If you withdraw money from your variable annuity before you've reached age 59-1/2, you may have to pay a 10 percent federal tax penalty—and this penalty may be assessed in addition to any surrender charges.
- Fees and expenses**—When you buy a variable annuity, you'll incur annual "mortality and expense risk charges"—typically in the range of 1.25 percent of your account value. This charge compensates the insurer for risks it assumes in issuing your contract. You'll also have to pay administrative fees, as well as fees and expenses imposed by the individual investment sub-accounts.
- If you're strictly investing for the long term, and you can handle price fluctuations, a variable annuity might be a great way to supplement your retirement savings—but don't make any hasty decisions. By doing your homework now, you can avoid a lot of "wrong answers" later.



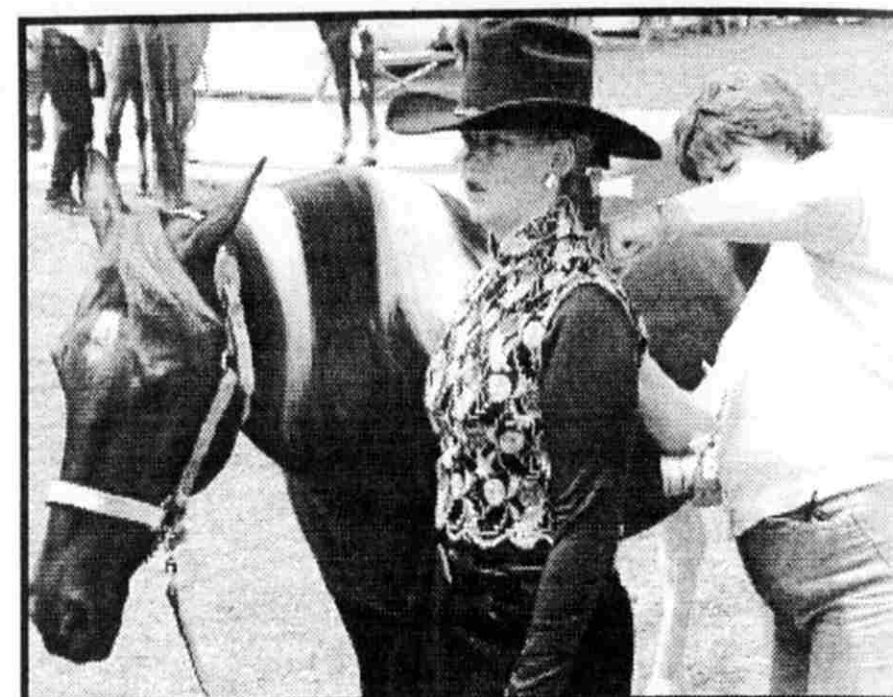
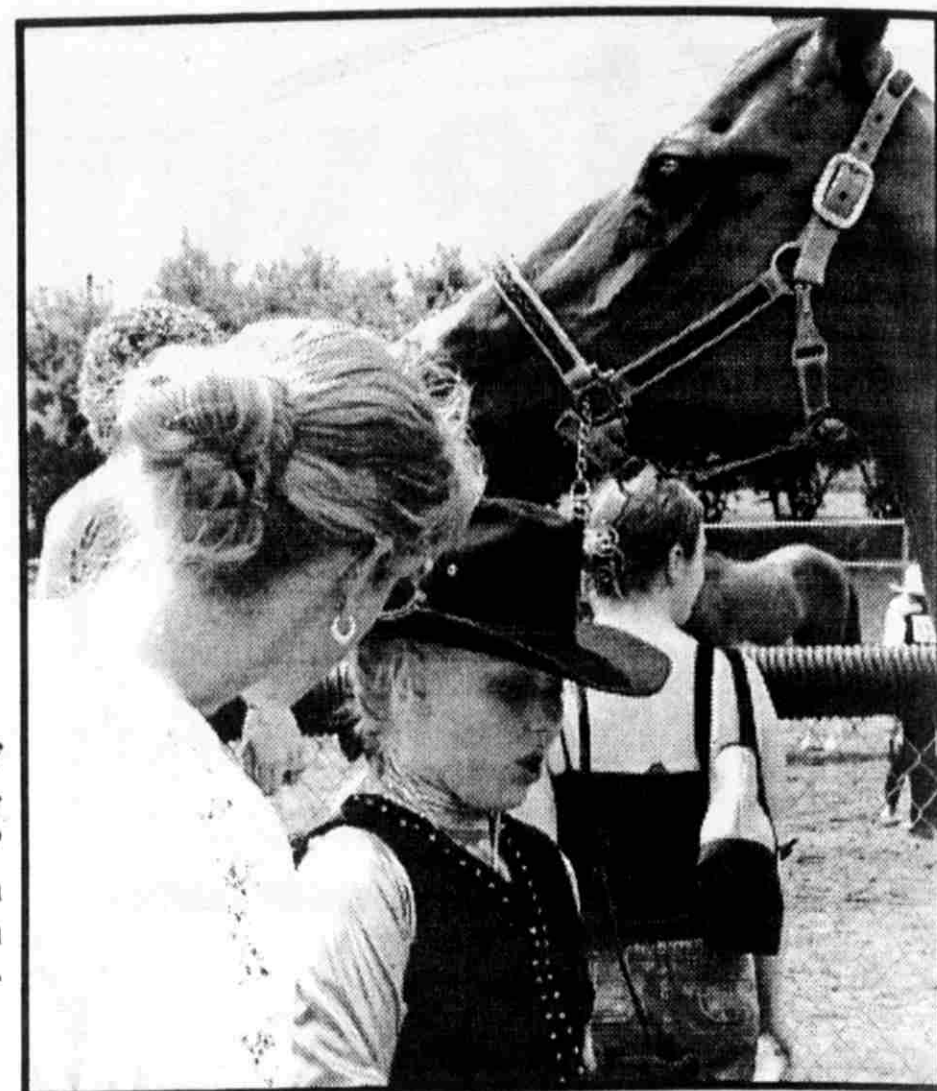
## A Lady and her Horse

Meghan Geldersma, of Lowell, stands with her quarterhorse, "Jack" while her mother, Marilyn Wagner takes her through some last minute preparations.



Prior to the Showmanship competition in the horse arena on Monday afternoon, Heather VanKalker, of Alto, stands with her quarterhorse, "I'm a Special Story." Pictured left, VanKalker's mother, Jan shines the hooves five minutes prior to show time.

Audrey Poll, Comstock Park, stands still prior to the showmanship competition, while her mother, Debbie, affixes her back number. Audrey's horse "Nightlight" waits patiently.



## COLLEGE NEWS

About 3,400 students were among the May graduates at Central Michigan University.

Students from this area include: **Andrea L. Baker**, **Melissa M. Bowen** and **Emily D. Hovinga** of Lowell and **Kami L. Pentecost** of Alto.

More than 1,700 students earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Grand Valley State University in April.

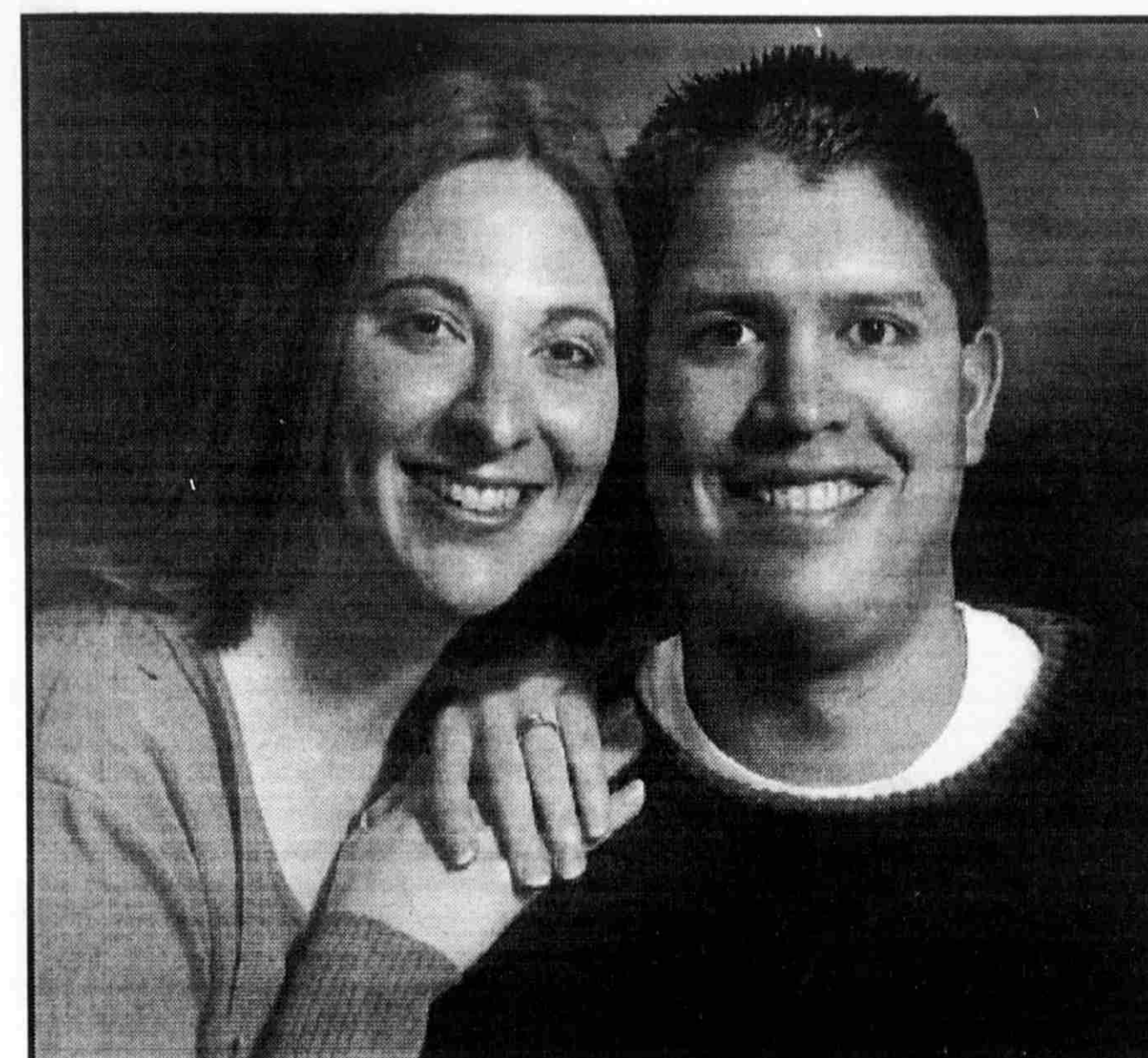
Grand Valley focuses on undergraduate academics and is dedicated to individual student achievement. It has been named one of "America's 100

Best College Buys" for the past seven years.

Students from the Lowell area include: **Brooke E. Bennett**, **Madelen L. Boot**, **Betsy M. Eckman**, **Kim M. Hewett**, **Yvonne M. Jipping**, **Stefan M. Kilyanek**, **Christopher L. Mast**, **Amy D. Meiste**, **Rochelle R. Mercado**, **Shelly K. Porter**, **Brenda R. Rawson**, **Rose L. Robertson**, **Julie M. Shortle**, **Kelly M. Todd**, **Erin P. Umlauf**, **Kaily S. VanLaan** and **Holly S. Westhouse**.

From Alto are **Susan J. Bailey-Mesecar**, **Denise M. Barofsky**, **Bradley J. Coon** and **Karyn R. Greenlee**.

From Ada is **Carolyn D. Ballega**.



## Lessens/Thompson

Dr. Steven and Mrs. Sherry Lessens, of Shelby, would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Clare Lessens to David Scott Thompson.

The future bride is a graduate of the University of Michigan and is presently pursuing a doctorate in psychology at the Chicago School of Professional Psychology.

The groom-elect is the son of Lawrence and Sonia Thompson of Midland. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan and is a chemical engineer working in the Chicago area.

A wedding is planned for June 2004 in Chicago.

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**Along Main Street**

**CONCERT ON THE RIVERWALK**

This Thursday evening the Showboat Sizzlin' Summer Concerts will feature Jimmy Stagger Band (blues) from 7-9 p.m. Admission is free; bleachers/handicap parking available; Lowell Lions Club food and refreshments.

**NEEDED: LOCAL ARTISTS**

"Celebrate Lowell - Visual Art" exhibition will be held at the Lowell Area Arts Center gallery beginning Aug. 19. Artists living within a 10-mile radius of the city of Lowell are invited to submit one artwork for exhibition. Call 897-8545 for more information. A

**L.I.V.E CLASSES TO BEGIN THIS FALL**

Lowell Leadership is accepting names of individuals who would like to attend the September program - learn about community volunteer opportunities and organizations, and improve leadership skills. Call Liz (897-9161) or visit the web site at [www.lowellchamber.org](http://www.lowellchamber.org) for more info.

**MEET THE DIRECTOR NIGHT**

Lowell Music Boosters will host a "Meet the Director" night in the Lowell High School Band room on Tuesday, Aug. 12 from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. for new LHS band director, Tim Haan. Refreshments will be provided.

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- Caroline Thomet
- Sam Thomet
- Spencer Thomet
- Cara Wilcox
- Rachelle Wilcox
- Marylou Yowais

**Area youth design and build BMX track**

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

From construction sites and burial dirt piles to their own BMX track.

That's quite a jump, and the result of a committee of 15 area youth (BMX bikers and jumpers) who organized to research and draw up plans for a track located between Stoney Lakeside Park and the Lowell Water Treatment Plant.

"They took a trip to Ionia so that they could get a visual of what other communities are doing," said Lowell YMCA sport and teen director, Justin Belgiano.

The committee, made up of mainly middle school kids and a few freshmen, then approached the Parks and Recreation Board for funds (\$2,000) to cover the cost of equipment to build the track.

A group of roughly 12 youths with the help of Belgiano; city councilman, Al Mathews; and YMCA executive director, Will Welsh moved dirt, donated by Tip Top Gravel. They built a five-six foot starting platform, a series of jumps, berms, curves and a table top jump over a 10-hour period on June 20. "I knew nothing about how to build a track. Will and I just moved dirt. The boys were responsible for the design," Belgiano said. "It was neat to see them work together and combine their creative ideas. Ideally, we want to see the track continue to grow and improve."

Youth involved in construction of the track were Robert Lobocho, Brad Yonkers, Zach Meiste, Thomas Welsh, Lindsay Welsh, Zach Rumlay, Cody Riemersma, Richard Klein, Josh Vaughan, Justin Acevedo and Chris Miller.

**IN THE SERVICE**

Alan T. Robertson, son of Sally Golds of Lowell and David Robertson of Ft. Scott, Kan., was promoted to the rank of Captain, United States Air Force on July 2. On that same date he was awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal.

Capt. Robertson distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service as Production Program Manager, Joint Primary Aircraft Training System T-6A Integrated Product Team, Flight Training System Program Office, Aeronautical Systems Center, Air Force Material

Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, from Oct. 2000 to Nov. 2001.

Capt. Robertson made lasting contributions to the joint Air Force and Navy flight training mission by developing and implementing technical and process solutions that were critical to the continued production of the Joint Primary Aircraft Training System T-6A aircraft. These solutions will ensure that the joint primary pilot training program and all segments of Navy and Air Force aircrew training can safely and inexpensively meet the



The Joint Service Commendation Medal was established by the Department of Defense on June 25, 1963. It is awarded to any member of the armed forces who distinguishes himself by meritorious achievement or service while serving in any specified activity after Jan. 1, 1965. Lowell's Alan T. Robertson (right) was bestowed the honor on July 2.



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Secretary of Defense's mandate of 1,100 newly trained pilots per year.

He is a 1996 A.A. graduate of Grand Rapids Community College, a 1998 B.B.A. graduate of Davenport University, and a 2002 M.B.A. graduate of Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio.

He was commissioned in the Air Force in July 1999. Currently he is serving as the Threats Analysis Manager and Modeling and Simulations Lead at the F/A-22 System Program Office at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

He has been selected to attend Squadron Officer School in-residence at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., this summer. Immediately after his return in August, he will transfer to Hill Air Force Base, Utah, to take over as the Precision Engagement Program Manager for the A-10 System Program Office.

He and his wife of three years, Michelle, a 1996 graduate of Davenport University, are expecting their first child, a son, to be named Brayton Flint, in early November.

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Trust, which is a virtue, is also a habit, like prayer. It requires exercise. And just as no one can run five miles a day and cede the cardiovascular effects to someone else, no one can trust for us.  
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—Sue Halpern

**LOWELL AREA COMMUNITY FUND ACCEPTS GRANT PROPOSALS**

The Lowell Area Community Fund is accepting grant proposals for its next grant round.

All Proposals Must Be Submitted No Later Than

August 22, 2003 to be considered.

To receive a grant application form call Kate Luckert, program officer at 616-454-1751 or download an application from the GRCF website at: [www.grcfoundation.org](http://www.grcfoundation.org).

You may also pick up an application at any of the following locations:

- Lowell Township Hall,
- Vergennes Township Hall, City Offices of Lowell,
- Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce,
- the Englehardt Public Library
- or any Lowell Area School.

The Lowell Area Community Fund, a fund of Grand Rapids Community Foundation, awards grants to tax-exempt, nonprofit charitable organizations that have an impact in the Lowell area. The LACF funds innovative projects or programs that encourage community cooperation.

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### BOWNE TOWNSHIP BOARD

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO ADD A NEW ARTICLE 13A - M-50 CORRIDOR OVERLAY DISTRICT

Public notice is hereby given that the Bowne Township Board will hold a hearing on Monday, August 18, 2003 at 7:30 p.m., in the historic Township Hall, located at 8240 Alden Nash Avenue, Alto, Michigan, to hear public comments regarding a proposed amendment to the Township Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance No. 2000-03, as amended).

The proposed amendment would add a new Article 13A - Corridor Overlay District to the Zoning Ordinance.

This Article 13A establishes an M-50 Corridor Overlay Zone applicable to all lands with frontage along M-50 between 60th Street and the south section line of Sections 3 and 4, to a depth of 500 feet. The purpose of the M-50 Corridor Overlay Zone is to promote a balance between the various functions of this corridor and to create an attractive entry image into the community. Article 13A does not affect the underlying zoning districts of the properties within the M-50 Corridor Overlay Zone. The regulations of Article 13A apply in addition to, and simultaneously with, other applicable regulations of the Zoning Ordinance provided, however, that the regulations of Article 13A supersede any conflicting regulations.

The proposed amendment contains the following provisions:

#### 13A.01 Purpose

This Section describes the purposes and objectives of the M-50 Corridor Overlay District.

#### 13A.02 Applicability

This Section describes the application of the M-50 Corridor Overlay District to the M-50 Corridor Overlay Zone described above.

#### 13A.03 Right-of-Way Preservation and Setbacks

This Section establishes an assumed right-of-way 50 feet from the centerline of M-50 and requires a front setback of buildings and structures of 100 feet from the assumed right-of-way provided that the Planning Commission may reduce the front setback to 50 feet if certain standards are met. This Section also requires a front setback for off-street parking lots of 25 feet for uses other than one- and two-family dwellings.

#### 13A.04 Access Standards

This Section establishes requirements for access points and driveway spacing for parcels within the M-50 Corridor Overlay Zone. This Section also regulates shared driveways, frontage roads, and service roads.

#### 13A.05 Pedestrian Access

This Section establishes requirements for pedestrian access and pathways for parcels within the Corridor.

#### 13A.06 Landscaping and Site Design

This Section requires a landscape plan and establishes requirements for landscape buffers, planting requirements, parking area landscaping, minimum standards for plants, and maintenance of plants.

#### 13A.07 Lighting

This Section establishes lighting requirements, including general requirements and requirements for outdoor light fixtures, parking lot and access drive lighting, canopy lighting, security lighting, illumination of building facades, and night lighting.

#### 13A.08 Signs

This Section establishes specific regulations for signs within the Corridor, including general requirements and regulations of signs in residential districts, commercial districts, and industrial districts.

#### 13A.09 Building Facades and Design

This Section establishes requirements for architectural design features in building facades.

#### 13A.010 Submittal Requirements and Review

This Section provides that all uses in the Corridor (except one- and two-family dwellings) are subject to site plan review in accordance with Article 18 of the Zoning Ordinance and all requirements of Article 13A.

The proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance may be examined at the Township Hall, 8240 Alden Nash, Alto, Michigan, on Wednesdays and Thursdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and on Fridays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

August 6, 2003  
Sandra L. Kowalczyk, Clerk  
Bowne Township

## Former Wyoming Park director hired to lead LHS bands

••• Tim Haan replaces former Lowell High School band director Bob Rice.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

Tim Haan was one of three Wyoming Park instructors to direct the sixth-through 12th-grade band program.

Last year, there were 95 high school students in Wyoming Park's band.

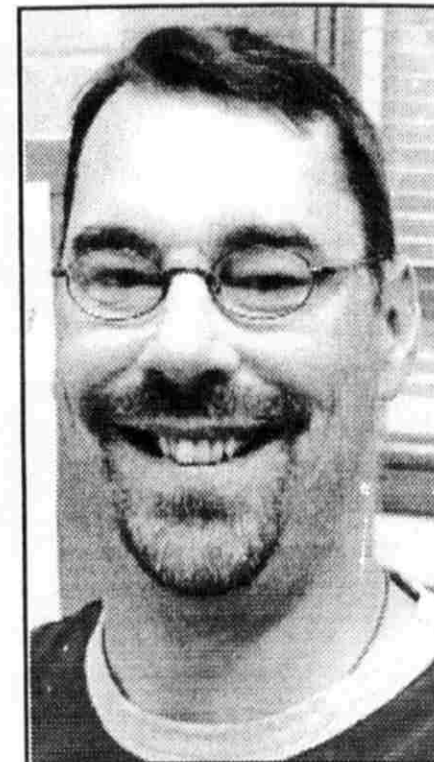
As the new leader of Lowell's band program, Haan has the daunting task of overseeing a 250-member high school band.

"The numbers will be a challenge," Haan said. "But it can also be a positive. A band program is not successful until it can be broken down into individual parts where the needs of the individual students are met."

Haan, however, points to a growing area and school district, a supportive community, and a good band program as reasons he couldn't pass up the opportunity to come to Lowell.

"Any change is big. My expectations, however, are also really high," Haan explained. "Coaches, teachers and band directors are much more accountable today. Parents are fully invested in their child's education. That's a good thing. They should know what's going on."

Beyond the music and marching, Haan believes band builds unity, self-disci-



Tim Haan: Lowell's new high school band director.

pline, and encourages goal-setting.

"A good band program also has enthusiastic kids with good music skills and a community that is supportive," Haan explained. "I see that in Lowell."

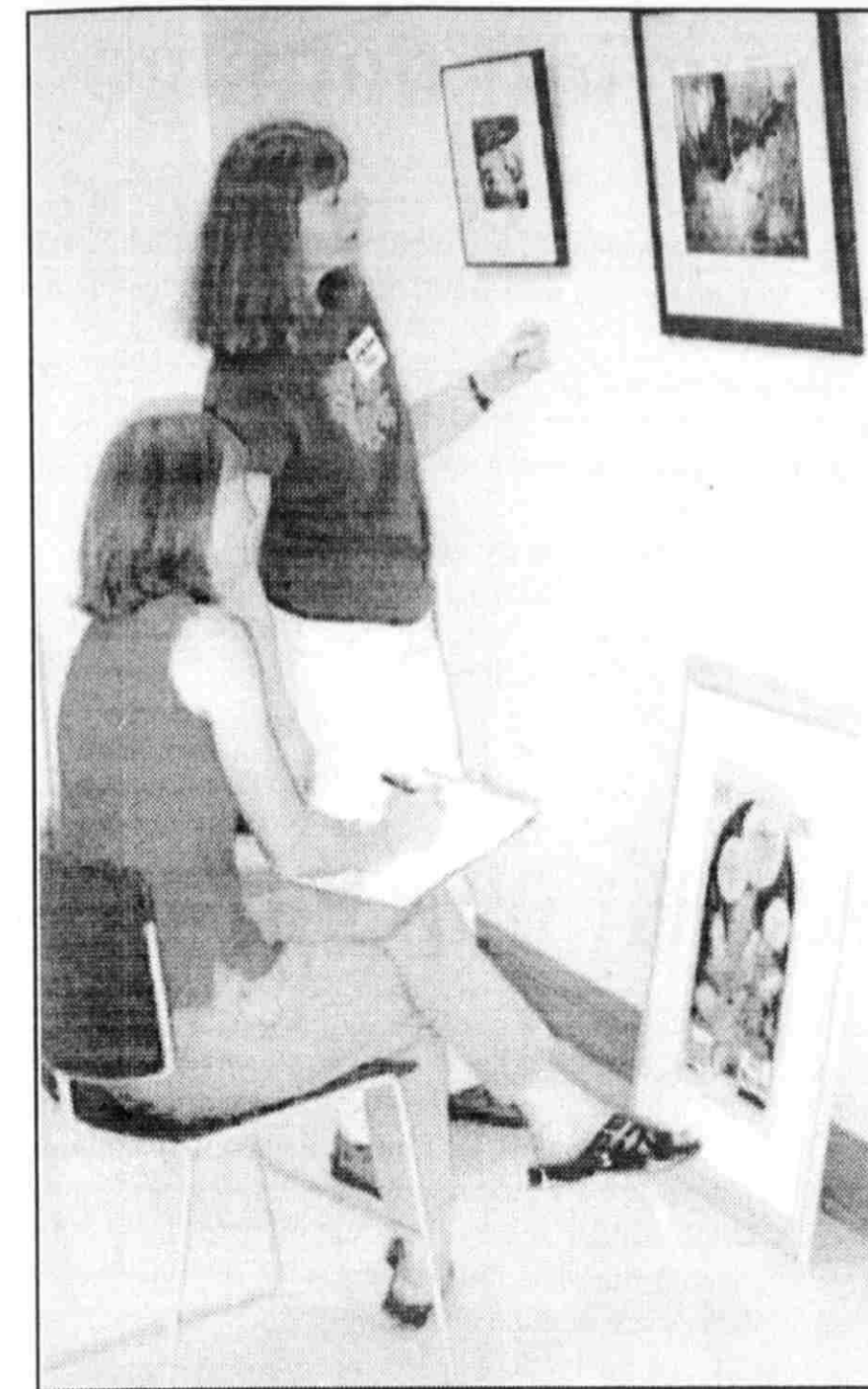
Haan adds that a good band director brings a passion and knowledge, and is a motivator and counselor.

Lowell will be Haan's second job. He spent 12 years at Wyoming Park.

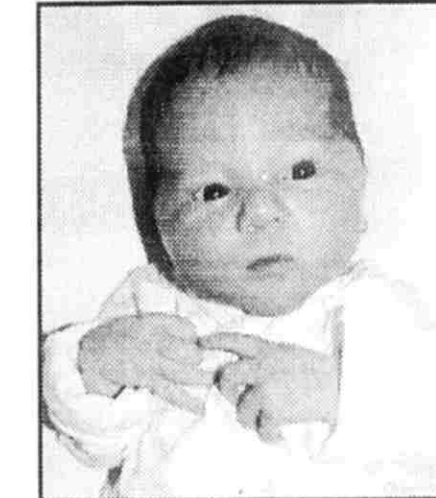
Lowell Music Boosters will host a "Meet the Director" night in the Lowell High School Band room on Tuesday, Aug. 12 from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. for Haan. Refreshments will be provided.

*Tim represents a balance between respecting the program he inherited and its tradition, while also demonstrating the ability to raise the bar and involve students in opportunities of which they have not participated in the past.*

Scott Vashaw  
Lowell High School Principal



## AREA BIRTHS



Mark and Lisa Strouse are happy to announce the birth of their son, Braeden Ronald, born July 6, 2003. He weighed 7 lbs. 11 oz. and measured 20 1/2 inches.

Proud grandparents are DeWaine and June Strouse, Cheryl Murphy and Michael (Jean) Murphy. Great-grandma is Imy Peters.

## Writers give environment paintings a voice

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

There was plenty of inspiration to go around at poet laureate Linda Neme Foster's creative writing workshops.

The workshops, offered by Foster at the Franciscan Life Process Center and the Lowell Area Arts Council, asked participants to respond to the theme of the "Healing Our Environment" exhibition and its artwork.

Foster, Grand Rapids' first poet laureate, has been writing poetry, inspired by visual art, for roughly 10 years.

Linda Neme Foster visits with one of her students during her creative writing workshop at the Franciscan Life Process Center.

Foster guided participants through a writing experience which asked them to assume the voice or object of the artwork and write a persona poem.

"I tell them to look closely at one piece of art that moves them and takes their interest," Foster explains. "All good art is a result of someone being really observant and paying attention."

Foster credits the students/participants with providing her with a lot of inspiration. "I just open the door and let them go. I'm inspired by some of the worthwhile work they produce," Foster said.

She also reminds them that there is no wrong or right way when it comes to writing poetry.

"Walt Whitman and Emily Dickinson are considered to be the pinnacle of great American poetry and yet their styles are so different," Foster says.

Lowell graduate (2003) Kelsay Myers loves writing and had dabbled in writing for the school newspaper. She thought writing poetry would be different and challenging.

"I have never taken a writing class before. I found this to be inspiring. I found a painting that struck a chord

with me and everything just flowed," Myers said.

She will attend Kalamazoo College this fall with aspirations of some day writing and directing independent films.

Myers was one of nine participants to sign up for the workshop at the Franciscan Life Process Center.

"Everyone chose a different piece of artwork to write about," Foster said.

Foster has extensive background as a writer with six published books of poetry.

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# Lairds and city reach agreement on construction damage

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

It is a problem created by the city's reconstruction of North Division last year. The cost for the remedy will, in large part, be shouldered by the city. During the street's reconstruction last year, the grade of the roadway was raised approximately two feet. While a retaining wall was installed along the front of the property, a similar structure has been requested by Thomas and Sheryl Laird (220 N. Division) for the driveway. The effects of the reconstruction produce a dip in the

Laird's driveway, causing a disruption in how they use their front yard as well as accessing their driveway; the slope of the gravel placed from the street to the back of the driveway is contributing to runoff from the back of the driveway. The pooling of the water on our front walkway and runoff from the driveway has created severe icing in both locations during the winter season, according to the Lairds. At its July meeting the Lowell City Council by consensus agreed to pay half the cost of the retaining wall for a driveway and up to \$500 for extra grading related to the reconstruction on North Division (which raised the road) involving the Laird property.

Based on quotes, the Lairds would have received \$1,594.70 for the retaining wall and \$500 for extra grading totaling \$2,094.70. The grading will now cost between \$1,100 and \$1,200. Lairds are not willing to spend more than \$500. Following a discussion Monday night at the council meeting, an agreement was reached whereby the city will pay 90 percent of the cost, not to exceed \$3,500. Councilman Jim Pfaller made the motion, noting that it was the city's reconstruction of North Division which has caused the Lairds the hardship.

# Climbing plants don't need a ladder; many have their own method

Climbing plants want to get up in the world, and they use a variety of ways to do it. Morning glories, poison ivy and

grapes are all climbing plants, and each has evolved a different mechanism for climbing. Morning glories climb by twining. Twiners are the largest group of climbing plants. It includes pole beans, clematis, American bittersweet and wisteria. Twining plants climb by twisting their stems around a support. They have no special adaptations for climbing. One of these adaptations is adventitious roots, roots that form along the stems and work their way into cracks and crevices in the supporting surface. Poison ivy and trumpetvine, English ivy and wintercreeper are among the plants that climb this way. Tendrils are another special adaptation. These specialized plant parts coil around whatever they come in contact with to support the plant's climbing habit. Tendrils without anything to coil around often look like partially relaxed coiled springs. Plants that climb by means of tendrils include grapevines, edible peas and sweet peas, as well as plants in the cucurbit family -- melons, cucumbers and gourds. In some plants, tendrils develop small projections at their

tips that enlarge into little disks and secrete an adhesive that glues the tendril to its support. Then the tendril coils to pull the stem closer to the support. Virginia creeper is a common example. Knowing how a plant climbs is important if you're selecting a vine to plant or providing support for a plant you've already chosen. Vines that climb by means of aerial rootlets or holdfast tendrils can be used on masonry walls but should not be used on wood surfaces. These vines cling so tightly that moisture tends to collect under them that could cause the wood to rot. As an alternative to allowing vines to climb directly on a wall, building a trellis or some other support a few inches away from the wall and planting vines that use tendrils or twining to climb on it. A section of sturdy woven wire fencing or a support made of metal tubing will do nicely. The key word is "sturdy" -- you don't want the support to collapse under the weight of the vine a few years down the road.

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**SYNOPSIS**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE VERGENNES TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
July 21, 2003 - 7:00 p.m.

Minutes of the June 16, 2003 Regular Meeting were approved. A list of invoices was also approved.

Motions approved:

- Motion to approve METRO Act Resolution regarding telecommunications right-of-ways
- Motion to approve Vergennes Township / Murray Lake Dock Ordinance
- Motion to approve Special Use Permit for new Lowell Airport sign
- Motion to approve Sky High Drive Private Road
- Motion to approve special request for building permit for Andy and Michelle DeWitt
- Motion to change payment for services of Building Inspector to reflect initial and final inspections

Complete minutes are available on the township web site at [www.vergennestwp.org](http://www.vergennestwp.org), or at the township offices located at 10381 Bailey Dr., Lowell.

The next Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Vergennes Township Board is August 18, 2003 at 7:00 p.m.

Mari Stone, Vergennes Township Clerk

**LEGAL NOTICES**

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 03-175,977-DE

Estate of **MARY JANE PHILLIPS**  
Date of birth: 12/6/1921

presented to **MARY KAY NELSON**, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 13762 Grindle Drive S.E., Lowell, MI 49331, and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

TO ALL CREDITORS: \* 7/31/03

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, **MARY JANE PHILLIPS**, who lived at 1080 Grindle, Lowell, Michigan 49331 died 6/19/2003.

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**Chapter of the American Sewing Guild meets at Plainfield Senior Center, 5255 Grand River Dr. 6:30 social time; 7 p.m. program. Call Sandy at 285-0621.**

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

**TUES.: Flat River 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 248-2423.**

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

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

**EVERY 1ST & 3RD 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 281-6588.**

**EVERY 1ST TUES.: Adults w/ AD/HD Issues Group meeting: Calvin College #206 of the Commons. Connie 942-6887.**

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

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

**EVERY 1ST MON.: V.F.W. Post #8303 meets at 3116 Alden Nash S.E. at 7 p.m.**

**EVERY MON.: Boy Scout Troop 102: boys 11 & up or completing 5th-grade, meets 7-8:30 p.m. at Scout Cabin on N. Washington St. Call Terry 868-6481.**

**1ST & 3RD TUES.: Diabetic Support group is discontinued for the summer. Will resume in Sept.**

**SECOND TUES.: G.R.**

**Caravan children's program, 7 p.m., 5-12 years. Call 897-8800 with ???'s.**

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

**EVERY SECOND WED.: Lowell Women's Club meets noon in community room at Schneider Manor, 725 Bowes Rd. Will resume in September.**

**EVERY FOURTH WED.: Elderly volunteers needed for Intergenerational program 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. 897-9794.**

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

**THURS.: Join the Saranac Area Musicians and Singers beginning June 5. Saranac H.S. Band Room. Choir: 6-7 p.m./band: 7-8 p.m. Call Kathy Maatman 897-5981 w/questions.**

**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., non-denominational 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 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, 3116 Alden Nash S.E. at 3 p.m.**

**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 EVERY 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. & SUN.: Averill Historical Museum of Ada, 7144 Headley open 1-4 p.m. or by appt.: 676-9346.**

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

**FLAT RIVER OUTREACH MINISTRIES THRIFT SHOP HOURS: Wed. - Fri. 12-6 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. 519 E. Main St. 897-2037. Weekly specials.**

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

**LOWELL SERENITY CLUB MEETINGS: (AA) Mon., Wed., Thurs.: 12-1**

**8-9 p.m.; Tues./Fri.: 12-1, 4:30 - 5:30 & 8-9 p.m.; Sat./Sun.: 10-11 a.m. & 8-9 p.m.; (NA) Mon./Thurs., 6-7:30 p.m. 101 W. Main. 897-8565.**

**THURS., AUG. 7: Vergennes Cooperative Club will meet at 1 p.m. at Schneider Manor. Program: Speaker from Gilda's Club. Hostesses: Donna Wilkinson, Treva Johnson and Pauline Burtle. Sponsor: Treva Johnson. Please bring items for the Flat River Outreach Ministries.**

**EVERY THURS.: 8-9 p.m.; Tues./Fri.: 12-1, 4:30 - 5:30 & 8-9 p.m.; Sat./Sun.: 10-11 a.m. & 8-9 p.m.; (NA) Mon./Thurs., 6-7:30 p.m. 101 W. Main. 897-8565.**

**MON., AUG. 11: American Legion Clark-Ellis Post 152 family picnic will be at Creekside Park at 6 p.m. Meat & pop furnished.**

**STARTING SEPTEMBER - Lowell Leadership is accepting names for an 8-session program to improve leadership skills, receive exposure to volunteer opportunities. Call Liz 897-9161 or visit [www.lowellchamber.org](http://www.lowellchamber.org).**

**EARLY SEPTEMBER: Training session for parents: managing defiant children. Call Beverly at 4 Health Wellness Center - 642-6466.**

**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**  
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**MON.:** 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall.  
**TUES.:** 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall.  
**THURS.:** 9 a.m. Walk/Shop at Malls; 9:30 Crafts; 1 p.m. Euchre.  
**FRI.:** 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall.

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**WED., AUG 6:** 8 a.m. Co-ed Breakfast; 10 a.m. Blood Pressure; 12:45 Movie; 12:45 p.m. Meijer.  
**THURS., AUG 7:** Noon Dance, Westside.  
**FRI., AUG 8:** 12:45 p.m. Bingo.  
**MON., AUG 11:** 12:45 p.m. Travelogue; 4:50 p.m. Dinner at Keiser's.  
**TUES., AUG 12:** 11:30 a.m. Picnic at Creekside Park.  
**THURS., AUG 13:** 11 a.m. St. Anne's Lunch.  
**FRI., AUG 15:** Noon Birthday & Anniversary; 12:45 p.m. Bingo.  
**MON., AUG 18:** Noon Shop Rivertown Crossing Mall & Lunch.  
**TUES., AUG 19:** 12:45 p.m. Shop Grand Rapids Meijer & Gordon Foods.  
**WED., AUG 20:** 10 a.m. Advisory Council; 12:45 p.m. Shop Meijer.  
**THURS., AUG 21:** Noon Dance, Westside.  
**FRI., AUG 22:** NO MALL WALKING. 9 a.m. All Senior Neighbor Picnic.  
**MON., AUG 25:** 12:45 Cafe in the Woods & Shop/ Mall.  
**TUES., AUG 26:** 12:45 Farmer's Market & Walmart.  
**WED., AUG 27:** 8 a.m. Women's Breakfast.  
**FRI., AUG 29:** NO MALL WALKING; 9:15 Turkeyville, "Oklahoma."

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## Webber's drawings elicit "awe" for talent

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

His subjects are medieval characters; his talent is years beyond his age.

"Coleton's technical skill is years beyond his 14 years," said Lowell artist, David Davis. "His drawings are so clean and precise."

Lowell art enthusiasts

have an opportunity to view Coleton Webber's work during the Medieval Gallery exhibit at the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce through Sept. 9.

"I draw medieval/comic book, futuristic characters," Webber explains.

Pencil drawings are something he's been doing since the age of five - something for

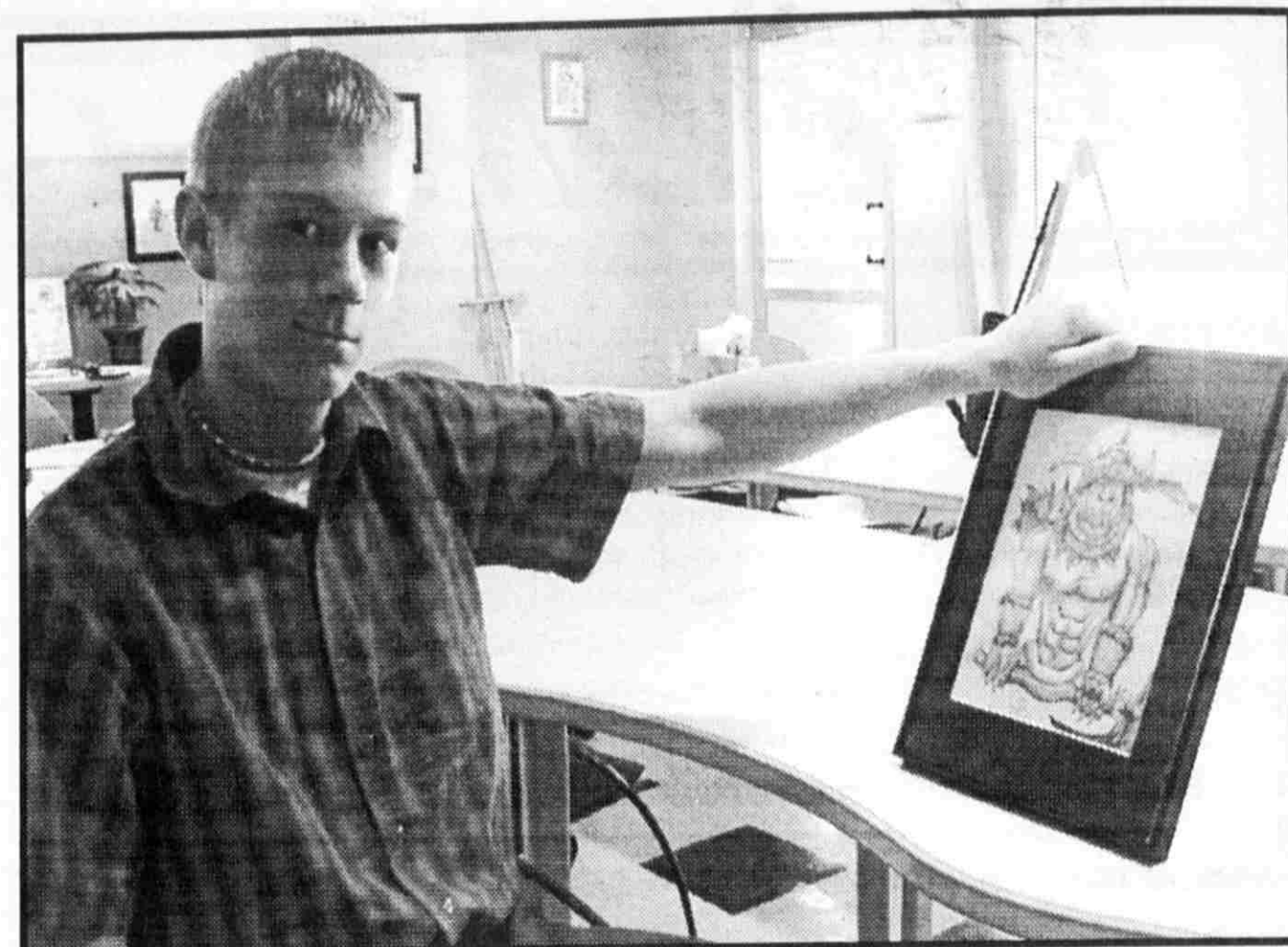
which he has a passion and a talent he exercises routinely. His work has been viewed at the Riverwalk Festival and at the Art in the Park in Cedar Springs.

"I draw everyday," he explains.

Right now it's comic book characters, but he's begun dabbling in portraits of animals and birds, and would eventually like to delve into portraits of real people and work in color.

Webber has honed his artistic talent through classes at Kendall College.

"The toughest part of drawing for me is coming up with a good idea and then doing a rough sketch," Webber says. "I take ideas from things I see and then add to them."



Coleton Webber's medieval action figure exhibit is on display through Sept. 9 at the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce.

He adds that the actual drawing, he believes, has come naturally.

"My mother is a graphic

designer for TV-13. I think I get my artistic talent from her," Webber explains.

Webber hopes to some-

day work for Blizzard Entertainment providing drawings for their strategy guides.

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### SYNOPSIS

#### REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOWELL CITY COUNCIL July 21, 2003 - 7:30 p.m.

Minutes of the July 7, 2003 Regular Meeting and bills and accounts payable were approved.

The following motion was denied:

- Motion to call the issue to question in the form of a roll call vote approving the Planned Unit Development Residential District R-1 Ordinance for the Highland Hills Development.

Yea: Councilmembers Blough and Pfaller.  
Nay: Councilmembers Mathews, Myers and Mayor Shores.

The following motions were approved:

- Motion to table the retaining wall issue involving 220 North Division Street until August 4, 2003.
- Motion to support the Lowell Cable Board recommendation to increase the cable rates by \$1.30 effective September 1, 2003.
- Motion to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. The next Regularly Scheduled Meeting will be Monday, August 4, 2003.

Complete minutes are available at Lowell City Hall, 301 East Main Street, Lowell, Michigan.

The next Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Vergennes Township Board is August 18, 2003 at 7:00 p.m.



Betty R. Morlock, City Clerk  
City of Lowell

## BUSINESS MATTERS



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Darl and Jill DeCator of Lowell are pleased to announce the birth of their son



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June 22, 2003  
He weighed 9 lbs. 8 oz. & measured 21 inches

Isaac was born at St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Rapids at 7:50 p.m. He is welcomed home by big sisters Maria, Olivia, Devin and Cassie. Grandparents are Linda DeCator of Lowell; Drake Decator of Ada; and Pat & Judy Ormiston of Ft. Wayne, IN. Great-grandparents are Darl & Eleanor DeCator of Lowell; Maria & the late Margarito Bernal of Killeen, TX; Shirley & the late Rodney Ormiston of Ft. Wayne, IN and Ruth & Richard Repine of Ft. Wayne, IN

## NOTICE OF CONFIRMATION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO BIG CROOKED LAKE

TAKE NOTICE that the Big Crooked Lake Improvement Board has confirmed the Special Assessment Roll for improvements to Big Crooked Lake. The Special Assessment Roll in the amount of \$116,900 has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the cost of aquatic plant control, inspections, administration, and contingencies over a 4-year period (2004 to 2007). Said Special Assessment Roll and all assessments thereon are final and conclusive unless attacked in a court of competent jurisdiction within 30 days of this notice. This notice is being published pursuant to provisions of Part 309 of Act 451 of 1994, as amended.

Big Crooked Lake Improvement Board  
Kent County, Michigan

## Reflections Of Faith

Pastor Bob Roush  
Friendship Country Chapel

When I meet people, one of the first things I say to them is, "How are you feel-

ing?" I have received a variety of answers to that inquiry but there is one I have never heard, "Secure." No one has ever said, "Man, I feel secure." Security is the

one thing we all seek after and the thing that evades us the most. Many people think of security in terms of having all the money one needs to buy the things they think will bring happiness. Some look for it in a job, education, social standing or another person. But we have seen the frailty of those things in the stock market, and merging and folding of business these days.

I've been around long enough to realize one fundamental truth, one thing of cer-

tainty - there is no security! In fact, someone once said that nothing is as constant as change, and change always affects our security. Find a restaurant you like and in a few months the whole building may be gone. The job you thought was so secure just down-sized and you got caught in the crossfire. Buy a computer only to discover that the operating system is new and you have to relearn everything. Even friendships can dissolve over some foolish misunderstanding. And money? There just isn't enough to buy happiness because more is never enough.

When I was younger, I looked to all these things for security but as I got older I

realized that this world offers no security, no guarantees; everything changes. In fact, the only guarantee we have is that there is no guarantee, and the only thing that is constant in the world is change.

As I have journeyed through life, I have discovered one constant though: One thing that remains unmovable, sure and unchanging - it is found in the Bible, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever." He is unchangeable and steadfast and I am told that "He will never leave me nor forsake me." Whenever I come to Him, He will never tell me that this or that has changed. I'll never find that He has moved. I'll never have to worry about

saying something He misunderstands, thus becoming angry with me and severing our relationship.

In this changing world there is one sure, constant, steady voice which cuts through all my insecurity and says to me, "Peace be still." Here is where I find that I will always be able to trust Him for all my tomorrows. Jesus said it best in Matt. 6:33, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow, for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof."

## LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 03-175,796-DE

Estate of  
JOHANNA VAN  
ZYTVELD  
SSN: 370-68-4907

TO ALL CREDITORS:\*

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, JOHANNA VAN ZYTVELD, who lived at 2830 Plainfield Avenue N.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan died 2-23-03. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to FRANKLIN DIELEMAN, named personal representative or proposed personal representative,

8/4/03

CRAIG AVERY  
(P-10311)  
3875 West River Drive  
Comstock Park, MI 49321  
784-5080

FRANKLIN DIELEMAN  
1522 Emerald Avenue N.E.  
Grand Rapids, MI 49505  
363-3965

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 03-175,965-DE

Estate of  
ROSA LEE NORTON  
Date of birth: 2/24/1931

TO ALL CREDITORS:\*

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, ROSA LEE NORTON, who lived at 915 Kendalwood, N.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49505, died 7/1/2003.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to WAYNE NORTON, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 12740 Grand River Drive, Lowell, MI 49331, and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

7/28/03

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## RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH IMPROVEMENTS TO BIG CROOKED LAKE

At a special meeting of the Big Crooked Lake Improvement Board held in the Grattan Township Hall on the 2nd day of July at 7:00 p.m., local time.

PRESENT: Bajema, Koning, Sporte  
ABSENT: Hobria, Rolls

The following resolution was offered by member Koning and seconded by member Sporte.

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on the aquatic plant control program for Big Crooked Lake; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Big Crooked Lake Improvement Board to proceed with implementation of an aquatic plant control program for Big Crooked Lake over a four-year period (2004 to 2007) with an annual cost of \$29,225.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Lake Board hereby determines that the proposed improvements are practical and it confirms its intent to proceed with the improvements.
2. The Lake Board hereby approves the lake improvement plan and the estimate of costs for the improvements.
3. This resolution shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Grattan Township. The petition shall not, thereafter, be subject to attack except in an action brought in a court of competent jurisdiction within 30 days after publication.

ADOPTED: AYES: All  
NAYS: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

I, Maria Bajema, secretary of said Big Crooked Lake Improvement Board, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the lake board at a meeting held on the 2nd day of July, 2003. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan 1976, as amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, this 2nd day of July, 2003.

Maria Bajema, Secretary  
Big Crooked Lake Improvement Board



# World's best sees a champion in Hoag

By Thaddeus J. Kraus  
Lowell Ledger Editor

No one sits higher in the martial art of Wu Shu than China's Master Wu Bin.

China's most renowned martial artist and three of China's world champions visited Kent County last week to train Young Champions of America the art of Wu Shu.

Lowell's Susan Hoag, a student of martial arts for 10 years, has been studying Wu Shu for five months. She received first-hand training as a

Young Champion martial art instructor from the master over the two-week period.

Not only was she impressed but so was Wu Bin.

"He wants me to go to China and train," Hoag explained.

Wu Bin not only thought that Hoag was pretty good, but the 11 time world champion added he believes she too can be a world champion.

"I would like to go, but I'll have to take some time to think about it," Hoag said.

A group of 800 students

of Young Champions from seven states were scheduled to travel to Beijing to train with the Chinese at the Olympic training center this summer, but the trip was cancelled due to the outbreak of SARS.

Many of the students learned the long fist form of Wu Shu while others were also instructed in the art of broad sword.

"Wu Shu is not only a sport, but it's an art that teaches focus, self-discipline and respect for others as well as yourself," said Hoag who devotes

15 hours a week to the martial art. "I could feel the impact of the art almost immediately."

Open ceremonies for the camp were held at Rogers High School.

Wu Bin said the main reason for traveling outside of China is to teach children the art which has been closed to the world for quite a while. Along with the art, he teaches its history and health benefits.

Participants in the camp were between the ages of seven and 15. The cost for the camp was \$300.

After leaving Wyoming, Mich., Wu Bin and his team members were scheduled to make stops in Ohio, Illinois and Minnesota before returning to China.



Susan Hoag demonstrates her ma buo (horse) stance taught to her from Master Wu Bin.

<b>GARAGE</b>	<b>SALE</b>	<b>GOODIES</b>
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<p><b>YARD SALE</b> 275 Elizabeth Dean, Thurs. &amp; Fri., Aug. 7 &amp; 8, 9-6 p.m. Dishes, toaster, doll craft items, girls sz. 4 &amp; 5 &amp; women's plus sz. clothing, motorhome cover &amp; much more.</p>	<p><b>DAY CARE YARD SALE</b> Plenty of toys, games, books, clothes, furniture and misc. Thurs Aug. 7, Fri. Aug. 8, 9-4, Sat. Aug. 9 9-1, 13005 Burroughs (off Lincoln Lake North of Vergennes).</p>	<p><b>LARSON FAMILY SALE</b> 30X60 garage full of antiques and lots of household items, toys, childrens clothing, 7904 Parsonage Rd., Saranac (W. out of Saranac to Parsonage Rd.) August 7, 8 &amp; 9, 9am - 5pm.</p>
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<p><b>NEXT DOOR GARAGE SALES</b> Fri. &amp; Sat., August 8 &amp; 9. Variety of articles. 13169 &amp; 13201 Vergennes. (East off Lincoln Lake).</p>	<p><b>GARAGE SALE</b> Aug. 9, 9 to 6, ladies clothing; M to XL, Western wear, tack, furniture, household some tools. 10829 Sparks Rd. off Whites Bridge Rd. just North of Potters, Rd.</p>	<p><b>MOVING SALE</b> Everything must go. Variety of items. Sat. August 2, 9-5, 11733 Foreman.</p>
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<p><b>1ST EVER BARN SALE</b> August 7th - 10th, 9-7 Rain or shine. 100 yr. old table, chairs &amp; buffet, upright freezer, household furniture, books, clothes, pictures and lots more. 1554 Lincoln Lake NE (north of McPherson).</p>	<p><b>3 FAMILY GARAGE SALE</b> August 6, 7 &amp; 8, 9-5. Quality mens and womens clothes, furniture, large assortment of items. Cleaning house, 5334 Segwun Ave. (1/4 mi. S of 52nd St.)</p>	<p><b>AUG. 6TH, 7TH &amp; 8TH</b> Neighborhood Yard Sales. Hawley Hwy. &amp; Ellison Rd. Some families on August 9th only. Something for everyone.</p>
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<p><b>GARAGE SALE</b> Aug. 7 &amp; 8, 9-6 p.m. &amp; Aug. 9, 9-1 p.m. Exercise &amp; fishing equip., motorcycle jack, Tupperware, bed, chests, chairs, lamps, Little Tikes, children's books, assorted household goods. 1294 Laurie Gail</p>	<p><b>MULTI FAMILY GARAGE SALE</b> Rain or shine. Corner of Woodbushe and Baywicke (Eastgate). Name brand clothes (Infant - adult), household items &amp; more Fri &amp; Sat; Aug 8 - 9, 8-7</p>	<p><b>GARAGE SALE</b> Aug. 7, 9-4 p.m. 11369 Foreman Farms Ct, baby clothes &amp; items, boys &amp; girls, infant - toddler, kitchen table &amp; chairs, electric dryer &amp; more.</p>
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<p><b>1ST EVER SALE</b> Wed. &amp; Thurs. August 6 &amp; 7, 9-3. 288 Tia Trail (3 mi North of Lowell off Flat River)</p>	<p><b>YARD SALE AT PERRY'S</b> Household items, toys, Lazy Boy chairs, Ping golf clubs, snowblowers, bike parts, clothes, quality jewelry &amp; glass beads, craft items and Christmas decorations, lawn mower parts, knick knacks &amp; Fenton glass. Something for everyone. Fri. &amp; Sat. August 7 &amp; 8 6939 Alden Nash (M-50 S. of Lowell).</p>	<p><b>ESTATE, MOVING &amp; GARAGE SALE</b> 5779 Page Rd., Saranac, Aug. 4, 5 &amp; 6, 9-6. Table saw, 10" Craftsman; Cub Cadet riding lawn mower, china cabinets, dressers, tables, glassware, jewelry (old &amp; new), antiques &amp; assorted collectibles, crafts, buttons &amp; much more.</p>
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<p><b>BIG MOVING SALE</b> Furniture, appliances, antiques, outdoor decorations, yard plants, tools, holiday decorations, shed, trailer. Many more items too many to list, all in good condition. No pre-sales. Rain or shine. August 7 - 9, 8A - 7 10117 W. Peck Lake (between Hasting Rd. &amp; Kyser Rd.)</p>	<p><b>GARAGE SALE</b> August 9th, 9 am to ? 12961 Seven Mile Rd.</p>	<p><b>GARAGE SALE</b> Saturday, August 9th 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. 10763 Grand River Dr., Lowell.</p>
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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 03-176,004-DE

Estate of JAMELAH SEVAR, deceased Date of birth: 01/17/59

TO ALL CREDITORS:\*

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 03-175,980-DE

Estate of PATRICIA JEAN SACHEN Date of birth: 9/24/1944

TO ALL CREDITORS:\*

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 03-176,010-DE

Estate of LOIS A. ZECH, deceased SSN: 316-22-2499

TO ALL CREDITORS:\*

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, LOIS A. ZECH, who lived at 6355

Ottawa Ave. N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49503 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

7/29/03

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, JAMELAH SEVAR, who lived at 951 Ballard S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan, died 03/29/03. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to BARBARA ANN WARSAW, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 180

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

BARBARA ANN WARSAW 1702 Derbyshire S.E. Grand Rapids, MI 49508

The decedent, PATRICIA JEAN SACHEN, who lived at 11909 Vergennes, Lowell, Michigan 49331 died 6/27/2003.

proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

7/31/03

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to DAVID E. TOOMBS, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 11909 Vergennes, Lowell, MI 49331, and the named/

MICHAEL J. TUMMINO, JR. (P-21618) 311 East Main Lowell, MI 49331 (616) 897-5931

DAVID E. TOOMBS 11909 Vergennes Lowell, MI 49331

Burton Street S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan died 5/29/03.

publication of this notice.

7/29/03

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to KENT R. ZECH and/or KAY E. COX, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 180 Ottawa Ave. N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49503 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of

CRAIG AVERY (P-10311) 3875 West River Drive Comstock Park, MI 49321 784-5080

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# Opening Day Crowning Point in 69th Annual Youth Fair



The 2003 Junior Royal Court, are Jr. Queen Allison Drew and Jr. King Sage Hendrix.



The 2003 Senior Royal Court, pictured left to right, are Kristi Bowers, 2003 Queen Katelyn Bush, Kristin Uyl and Shelby Newman.



The antique tractor pull Monday night drew many tractors from all over Michigan.

Eight-year-old Matthew Kettmer gives "Molly" a little exercise, or is it the other way around?

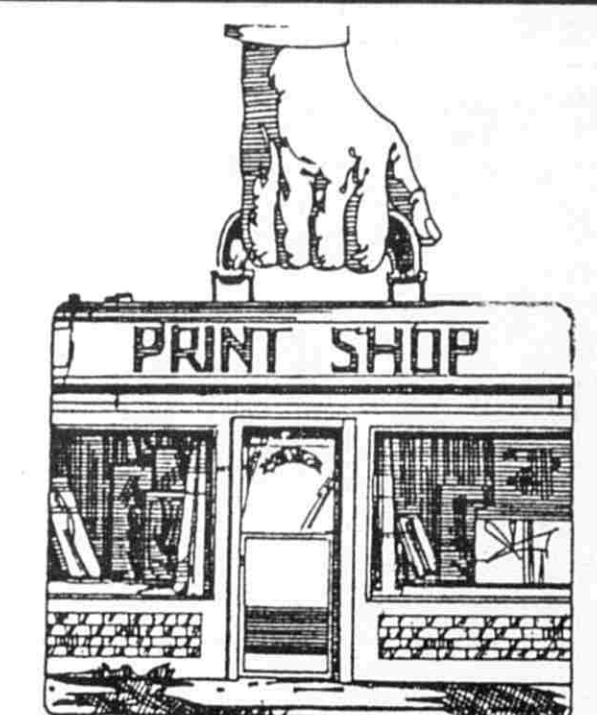


Five-year-old Julia Stoutjesdyk from Cascade can't wait to compete next year.

Pictures, Courtesy Bruce Doll

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## Jimmy's Back!

Jimmy Stagger brings his blues beaten sound back to the Sizzlin' Summer Concert series stage on Thursday (Aug. 7). Showtime is 7 p.m.



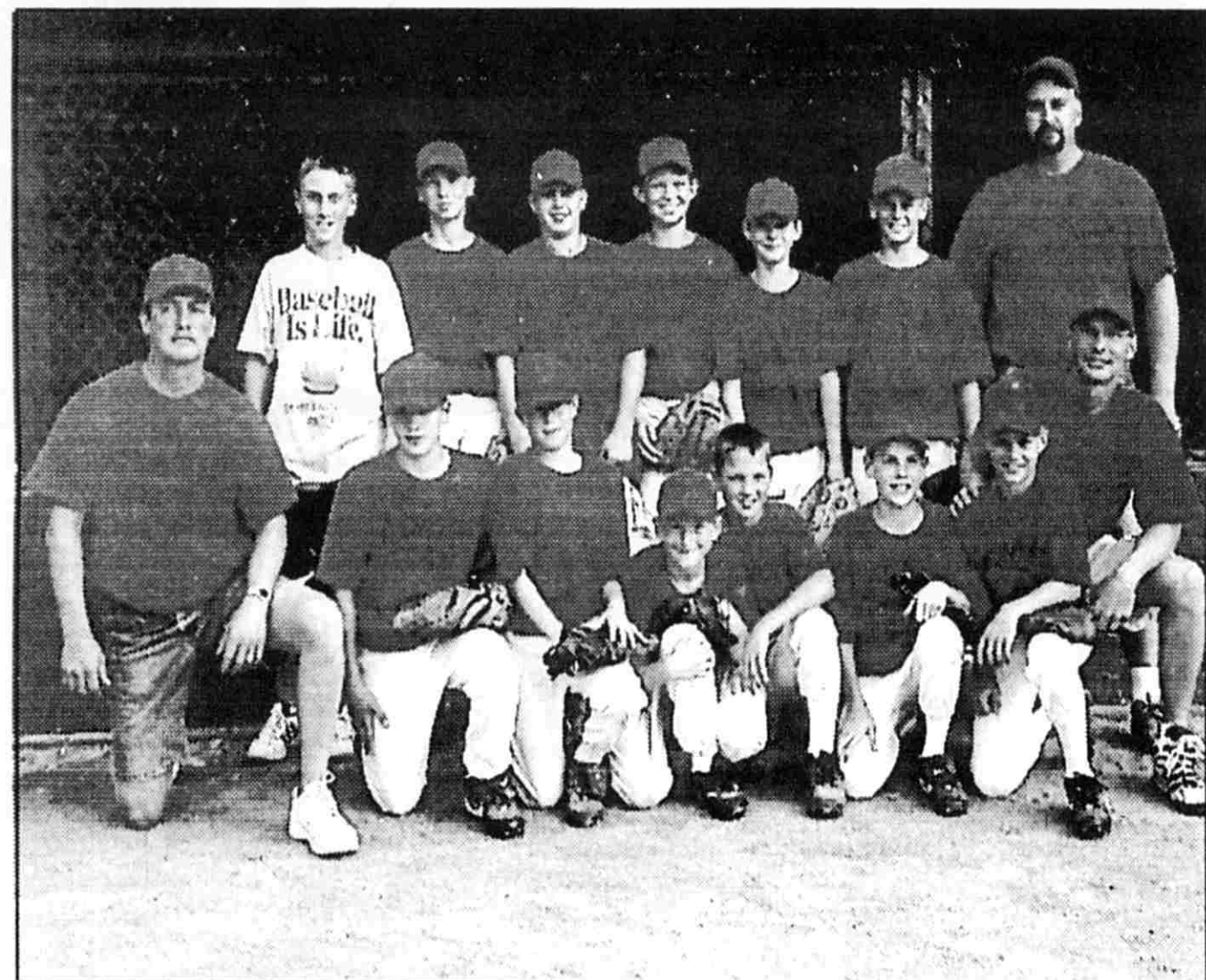
RV Lowell All Stars won the championship of the Gonzo Ball Tournament in Comstock Park with a 5-0 win over the Commerce All Stars.

The Lowell club posted a 5-0 record in the eight-team tournament. Pictured, front row, left to right, are: Ryan Dean, Will Bryan, Joshua Proctor, Jesse VandenBosch; middle row, left to right, are: Josh Drake, Zach Stephens, Tim Hettinga, Kenny Hayes, Torsten Boss, Jordan Boon; back row, coaches are: Dana Drake, Dan Stephens and head coach Daniel Boon.



The Lowell Little League team (ages 10-12), playing in the Class A Major boys baseball tournament finished in the final four of the 16-team field. Included in its victories was a win against Southern Little League. It was the eventual champions' only loss.

Pictured, front row, left to right, are: Joshua Phelps, Jacob Gould, Stephen Gillhespy, Dalton DeBoer, Tyler Schneider; middle row, left to right, are: Will Plummer, Joshua Ruland, Will Bryan, Jordan Boon, Zach Stephens, Zach Denault and Logan Wolfe; back row, left to right, are: coaches Daniel Boon and Jerry Ruland.



The Major Boys Little League All Stars finished its play in the District 9 All Star Baseball Tournament with a record of 6-2 qualifying for the final four of the double elimination tourney.

Pictured, front row, left to right, are: assistant coach Dana Drake, Keegan Hanrahan, Will Plummer, Ryan Dean, Matthew Wierenga, Will Bryan, Jesse VandenBosch, and head coach Daniel Boon; back row, left to right, are: Zach Stephens, Cody Dalton, Jason Wierenga, Josh Drake, Jordan Boon, Torsten Boss and assistant coach Dan Stephens.

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**HELP WANTED** - golf course work Thornapple Pointe Golf Course. 554-1489.

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**NEW HOUSE FOR SALE** - Approx. 1800 sq. ft., 2-car garage, 10x20 balcony, walkout basement, 4 bedrooms, family room, 2 baths - oak cabinets in both. Muir, M-21 E. of Ionia, 6 miles to Liberty St., N. on Liberty, 1 block to end of road. BarCo Enterprises, Inc. - Phil Bishop, Builder, 269/367-4900. Also Available 18 lots, 2-4 acres.

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**1981 CHEVY PICKUP** - 3/4T, 4x4. Runs. \$1,200 or best offer. Call 897-9774.

**1988 BAJA 240 SPORT** - 454 Magnum, 60 mph, very well kept, new canvas & sun deck, thru hull exhaust, \$15,900. Call 616-693-0095.

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**FOR SALE** - wood desk, 3'x5', glass top, 6 drawers, \$65 or best offer. Very heavy. Ph. 897-9659.

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**Garage Sale**  
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### EVENTS

**IONIA ANTIQUE SHOW** - August 9 & 10, Ionia Michigan Fairgrounds, Saturday 8-5, Sunday 8-4. \$3.00 admission. 1-96 Exit 67, North on M-66 to Fairgrounds. This event will be 2 days, for this show only. Next show September 21. 1-800-572-6703.

### LOST

**LOST** - Orange tabby cat, 28th St. & Pratt Lake area. Call 897-5794 if found. Greatly missed!

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**SLEIGH BED** - Queen cherry w/pillowtop mattress set, \$175 includes frame. 989-227-2986.

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**SIMMONS BEAUTY-REST MATTRESS SET (Queen)** - w/gorgeous iron head/foot-board frame. Will sell, \$150. 517-204-0600.

**1969 FORD RANGER PICKUP CLASSIC** - Mint condition, lovingly maintained. No winters. 3/4 ton, historic plates, \$10,000. Days 247-2227, evens. 897-0833.

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### IN MEMORIAM

In memory of  
**Paula K. Averill**,  
August 6, 2002.

Sad and sudden was the call For one so deeply loved by all A bitter grief, a shock severe It was to part with one so dear But those we love don't go away

They walk beside us everyday Unseen, unheard, but always near Still loved, still missed, still very dear

We couldn't bear to say goodbye Instead "See you later," was inscribed

On the gravestone where she lays Missed by everyone, each and every day Now we ask and we pray Lord put your arms around her

Tell her we all say "See you later dear Paula Kay"

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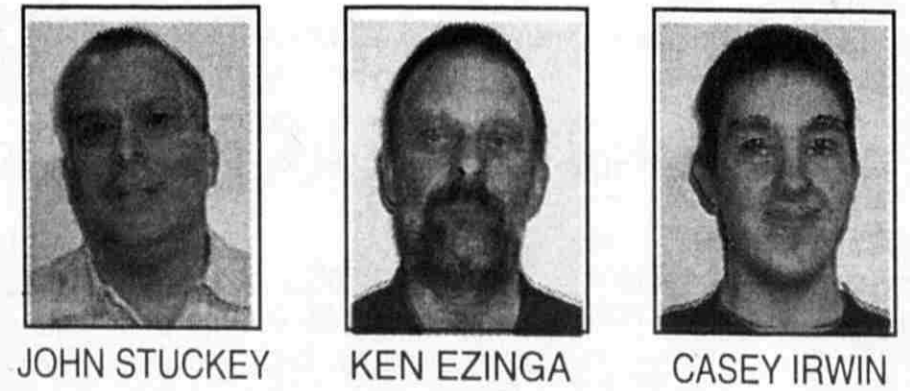
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