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# City will check validity of referendum petition signatures

#### By J. Lobdell **Contributing Writer**

A referendum petition has been filed against the development at 751 Grindle. Before proceeding with the matter, however, the Lowell City Council has decided to first determine whether the signatures are truly valid.

Lowell City Clerk, Betty Morlock finished validating the signatures Sept. 9. This process included checking to make sure that the person who signed is a registered voter. Representatives from Sundry Corp., which has been working on developing the property, questioned whether the referendum petition even pertains to the PUD ordinance put in place in August, whether the signatures are really valid, and how the signatures were obtained. William Bowie, attorney for Sundry, said the adoption of the PUD ordinance, which finalized the guidelines of what was expected in the Highland Hills development on Grindle, was an administrative procedure. The city

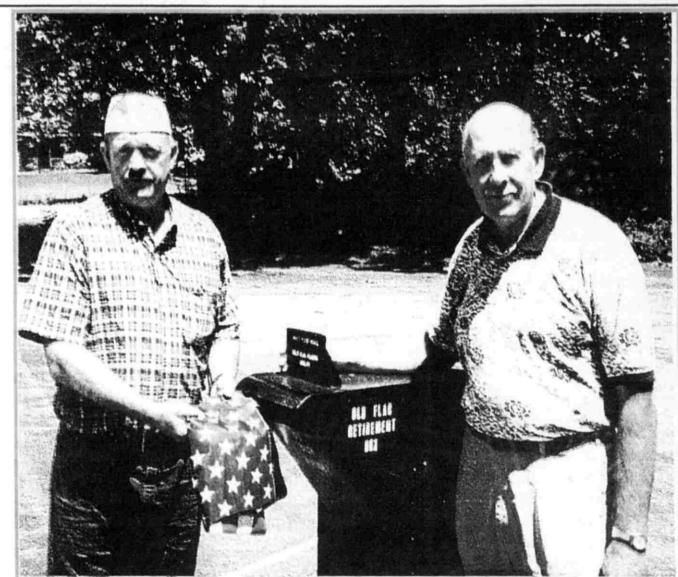
council had already approved the plan at its Nov. 18, 2002 meeting when it rezoned the property from suburban residential to PUD R-1 residential. Bowie noted the city also went on to approve a site plan for the project earlier this year.

Since receiving copies of the petitions, Bowie said Sundry officials have made contact with some of the residents who signed and learned that the certifier was not present when that person signed and that some people may have been "confused" as to what they were signing. Bowie said he felt several of ing the ordinance or putting the petitions needed to be it to a vote of the people; thrown out because of the

meeting, Oct. 6, to look into the allegations about the certification of signatures.

City Attorney, Richard Wendt said he did feel, according to the city charter, that a referendum could be filed on an administrative ordinance. He also pointed out that the city's charter is very specific about the procedures for a referendum petition.

According to the charter, a referendum must be filed within 40 days; in this case the cut off would have been Sept. 13. The city has 30 days to act on it by either rescindpetitioners have indicated



V.F.W. Post Commander John Vander Wilp, left, and Lowell Postmaster Gil Brown demonstrate V.F.W. flag retirement box.

### "Retired" mail box recalled to duty

questionability of the certifiers; also that the city should not allow for the ordinance to be rescinded nor allow the petitioners more time to get additional signatures.

The council felt that the signatures should be reviewed. Under the city's charter, the council has 30 days to act upon a referendum. It was decided to allow Morlock three weeks, until its next

they are seeking the latter. Wendt said because of the allegations about the validity of the signatures, he felt the city should investigate before making a decision.

If the city finds there are not enough signatures, the council can allow an additional 10 days for more signatures to be collected, Wendt

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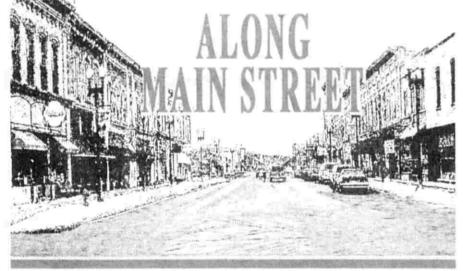
Did you ever have an old faded, torn, and tattered American flag that you needed to retire but just didn't know what was the respectful proper thing to do with the "battered old veteran?"

Recently, V.F.W. Post 8303 made an inquiry at the Lowell Post Office to see if they (V.F.W.) could acquire from the U.S.P.S. an "old veteran" of another type: an old retired, mail box.

After the proper paperwork was submitted, Gil Brown, Lowell postmaster, turned over to the V.F.W. one slightly battered, series 1960, "snorkel type" curbside drop box.

Following several afternoons work of sanding, hammering and painting, some appropriate lettering and two big V.F.W. "Cross of Malta" decals, the mail box is once again ready for duty.

Located at the Lowell Veterans Hall, 3116 Alden Nash Ave., 2.5 miles south of Lowell, it has been assigned the honorable new duty of receiving those "old veteran" American flags that have been retired from their service of flying.



### FALL FEST 2003

The Bluegrass Festival will be at Kent County Youth Fair this weekend, Sept. 19-21. Food vendors, activities for kids, crafts and bake sale; camping available.

#### DONATIONS NEEDED FOR FOOD PANTRY

Flat River Outreach Ministries would appreciate any donations but especially needed are bar soaps and laundry detergents.

### CUB SCOUT RECRUITING FUN DAY

The Lowell area Cub Scouts and Alto area Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts will have a mini golf, roller skating and bowling afternoon on Sept. 20 from 2-6 p.m. at Roll-Away Family Fun Center. Free for new recruits. Call Gary Liu at 248-9603 for more information.

#### **OLD-FASHIONED BASE BALL**

The Fallasburg Historical Society and the Fallasburg Cubs Base Ball Team will host the Fallas Field Invitational on Saturday, Sept. 20. Games at 11 a.m., 12:45 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Teams from the area will play by original rules of 1860. Call 897-7161 for information or directions.

#### **CELEBRATE WITH** THE VETERANS

Kent Radio Aero Modelers Club will celebrate Saturday, Sept. 20 with area veterans from 10-3 p.m. at 8001 Wingeier Rd., Alto. Open flying, demonstrations, free food; no admission charge.

#### PANCAKE BREAKFAST AT LOWELL AIRPORT

The annual fly-in at Lowell Airport will be on Sunday, Sept. 28. Breakfast served from 8-11 a.m. with airplane rides, tethered hot air balloon rides and static displays.

#### FALLASBURG FEST CHILDREN'S AREA NEEDS:

Scraps of wrapping / contact paper, stickers, weaving materials (yarn, fabric strips, garland, ribbon, streamers). May be dropped off at LAAC, 149 S. Hudson by Sept. 26 or call Rhonda at 897-8786 for pickup.

#### LOWELL POLICE DEPARTMENT POLICE CITIZENS ACADEMY

If you are interested in becoming aware of your police department, not in training to become a police officer, contact George at 897-9161. First session of five begins Sept. 23. Free of charge and must be at least 18 years of age; need not be a resident of the city of Lowell.

### **CLASS OF 1978 REUNION**

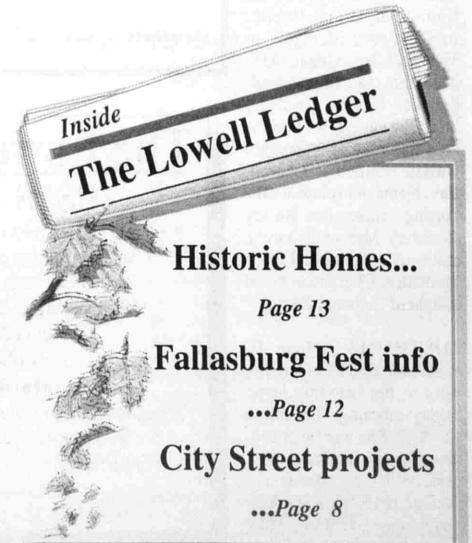
The Lowell Class of 1978 is inviting the class of 1977 to its 25th reunion on Oct. 4 at Double R Ranch. Cost: \$20 includes dinner at 6 p.m.; or \$10 if you come after 7:30. Please call Laura Dey Leasure at 897-5739 by Sept. 20 or send a note to lowellclassof1978@yahoo.com.

### WANTED: HOMECOMING PARADE ENTRIES

Any group or business interested in participating in the Homecoming parade on Oct. 10 should call Kurt Kaeb at Lowell High School (897-4125).

### SCARECROW BUILDING HOEDOWN

Scarecrow Building Hoedown, Sat. Oct. 11 at Lowell Fairgrounds from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Supplies are provided or bring your own. We are also accepting donations of very used clothing for this event.





# **OBITUARIES**

FELIX -Mrs. Mary Evelyn and Chris Posthuma of Ada. Felix (Sutherlin), aged 87, of Mark and Nina Posthuma of Grand Rapids, passed away Allegan, Sue and Rick on September 11, 2003. She Sullivan of Standale; 12 was preceded in death by her grandchildren; two greathusband Joe Felix and son grandchildren; her sister Kenneth Felix. She is survived Esther and Ralph Rotman; by her son Dr. Arthur (Sandy) several brothers-in-law; sis-Felix; daughter-in-law Mary ters-in-law; nieces and neph-Felix: grandchildren Phil ews. She was preceded in (Kathy) Orcasitas, Steve death by her parents Gerben (Tammy) Sorg, Denise Felix, and Elizabeth Folkertsma. Fu-Tim (Sheila) Felix, William neral and committal services (Regina) VanderKlok, Mary were held Monday at Day-(Peggy) Felix, Greg Felix; 11 break Community Church. great-grandchildren; sister Hudsonville with Pastor Arnie JoAnne Wilson; and many Dykstra officiating. Interment nieces and nephews. Mary was Rosedale Memorial Park. a life member of the Casino Memorial contributions may Club, and she loved her fam- be made to the American Diaily and was a great cook. Fu- betes Association. neral service was on Monday at the Van Strien-Creston SMITH - Robert E. (Bob) Chapel with Rev. William Smith, loving husband, son, Johnson officiating. Interment father, brother, and grandfain Fairplains Cemetery. In lieu ther, aged 50, of Belding, of flowers, memorial contri- passed away September 9, butions may be made to the 2003. He is survived by his

O'CONNOR - Mary Ellen (Rich) Curtis, Rob Kennedy, O'Connor, aged 64, of Ada, Aron Kennedy; grandchildren passed away September 8, Stephanie, Cassie, Brooke, 2003. She was preceded in Megan, Amber, Erin, Josh. death by her husband Kyran, Nate; parents Thomas and "Jay" O'Connor, son Robert Lynne Smith; mother-in-law Schafer, parents James and Ann Spears, grandma Alice Ellen Fox, brother Thomas Johnson; sisters Diana (Mike) Fox. Mrs. O'Connor is sur- Burchardt, Cindy (Randy) vived by her children Kathleen Scoble; brother Tom (Lynne) (Steve Karp) Schafer, James Smith II; many nieces, neph-(Kathy) Schafer; step-children ews and cousins. Funeral Ser-Thomas (Carie) O'Connor, vices were held Friday at First Tammy (David) Munro; United Methodist Church of grandchildren Chris Blain Lowell, Dr. Michael T. (Heather Nichols), Jamie Conklin, officiating. Memo- Hospice of Michigan. Schafer, Kaden Schafer; great- rial contributions may be made grandson Calob Blain; sisters Katherine Wilson, Dorothy (Phil) Anible, Barbara (Dale) Minier, Patricia (Bob) Harberts; sister-in-law Carole Fox; also many nieces, nephews and good friends. Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Patrick Church, Rev. Rock Badgerow, presiding. Interment St. Patrick Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to American Kidney Fund.

**ODELL** - Mrs. Cordelia "Connie" A. Odell, aged 89, of Lowell, went to be with the Lord September 10, 2003. She was preceded in death by her husband Adelbert. She is survived by her children Judith Ann (Dirk) Durkee of Grand Rapids, Roger (Vicki) Odell of Lowell, Bruce (Susan) Odell of Okemos, Linda (Jon) Damon of Grand Rapids Joyce (Peter) Manigold o Mesa, AZ, Brian (Pam) Odell of Mobile, AL; 14 grandchil dren and 11 great-grandchildren. The Funeral Service was held Saturday at Vergennes United Methodist Church, Rev. Nathaniel Johnson officiating. Interment Bailey Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Vergennes United Methodist Church or Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

POSTHUMA - Joan B. Posthuma, aged 73, of Jenison, went to her heavenly home Friday morning, September 12, 2003. She will be greatly missed by her husband of 52 years, Sidney Posthuma and her children Bruce and Eileen Posthuma of Jenison, Mike

American Heart Association. wife Cheryl; children Tammy (Steve) Morrison, Carrie

to C. Smith, c/o Carrie Curtis, 529 Avery St., Lowell, MI 49331. STROOSNYDER - Douglas

E. Stroosnyder, aged 71, of Lowell, passed away September 14, 2003, after a courageous battle with lung cancer. He was preceded in death by his wife Patricia, aunts Marie and Dean Stroosnyder. Mr. Stroosnyder is survived by his children Brian Stroosnyder, Tim (Nancy) Stroosnyder, Pamela (John) Greene all of Grand Rapids, Sue (Kevin) Anderson of Lowell, Scott Stroosnyder of Lowell, Paul (Theresa) Stroosnyder of Saranac; grandchildren Katie Anderson, Meggie, Sean, Danny and Peter Greene, Sara Munjoy; sisters-in-law Lily (David) Mohan of Grand Rapids. Martha Larkin; brothersin-law Tom (Lou Ann) Larkin of Toledo, Ohio, Harry (Joann) Larkin of Leland, Bill (Cathy) Larkin of Birmingham, Robert (Marlene) Larkin of Lowell, Steve (Josie) Larkin of Ada, Terry (Frieda) Larkin of Grand Rapids, Mike (Sue) Larkin of Grand Rapids; many nieces and nephews. He was a proud Marine who served in the Korean Conflict. Doug had a great love for his many dogs and fishing at Brevort Lake. Mass of Christian Burial will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Church, 402 Amity, Lowell, Rev. George J. Fekete, Celebrant. Interment Oakwood Cemetery. Visitation Wednesday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at Roth-Gerst Chapel, Lowell. Vigil service Wednesday at 7 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to



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### TOWNSHIP **OF GRATTAN** COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Zoning Appeals of the Township of Grattan will hold a public hearing on September 25, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. at the Grattan Township offices, 12050 Old Belding Road, within the Township, on the application submitted by Grattan Township for an appeal seeking clarification of the Board of Zoning Appeals' prior decision denying Landon Holding. Inc.'s application (the "Landon Application") for a use variance from Section 6.02 of the Township Zoning Ordinance, which, if it had been granted, would have permitted the construction of a manufactured housing community on lands zoned in the A-Agricultural District. The Township's present appeal, if granted, would clarify that a residential planned unit development ("PUD") can be constructed on the lands that were the subject of the Landon Application, without rezoning, upon receipt by the Township of a proper PUD application meeting the requirements of Article 14 of the Township Zoning Ordinance.

The lands which were the subject of the Landon Application and which are also the subject of the Township's current appeal are located to the northeast of the intersection of Highway M-44 and Tiffany Avenue and are legally described as follows:

### Parcel 1:

The West 490 feet of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 7, Town 8 North, Range 9 West, except the South 148.5 feet of the East 275.5 feet and except that part of the remainder lying Southerly of the Northerly line of Highway M-44 relocated.

### Parcel 2:

The Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 7, Town 8 North Range 9 West, except the East 120.5 feet of the West 610.5 feet of the South 148.5 feet and except the West 490 feet thereof.

### Parcel 3:

That part of the Southwest fractional 1/4 of Section 7, Town 8 North, Range 9 West, described as: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner; thence North 89 degrees 53 "52" East along the East and West 1/4 line 1239.80 feet; thence South 1 degree 34 minutes 35 seconds East 349.0 feet; thence North 89 degrees 53 minutes 52 seconds East to the East line of the West fractional 1/2, Southwest fractional 1/4; thence Southerly along said East line to the North line of Belding Road (130 feet wide) thence West along said North line to East line of West 1003 feet of Southwest fractional 1/4; thence North along said East line to North line of South 260 feet of Southwest fractional 1/4; thence West along said North line to East line of West 695 feet of Southwest fractional 1/4; thence South parallel with West section line to the North line of said road; thence Westerly along said North line to West section line: thence North to beginning.

### Parcel 4:

The West 660 feet of the South 2310 feet of the East 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 7, Town 8 North, Range 9 West.

### Parcel 5:

The West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest fractional 1/4 of Section 7, Town 8 North, Range 9 West, except the North 349.0 feet thereof. Also the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest fractional 1/4 and also the South 3/4 of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4, Section 7, Town 8 North, Range 9 West.

### Parcel 6:

That part of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 18, Town 8 North, Range 9 West, lying Northerly of the Northerly line of Highway M-44 relocated.

### Parcel 7:

The North 394 feet of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 18, Town 8 North, Range 9 West; also that part of the West 100 feet of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of said section, lying Northerly of the Northerly line of Highway M-44 relocated, except the North 394 feet.

All interested persons may attend the public hearing and comment upon the appeal.

Written comments concerning the application may be submitted to the Township office, 12050 Old Belding Road, Belding, Michigan 48809, up to the time of the public hearing.

Dated: September 5, 2003

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN

# City council to pick up remaining costs on damaged property

By J. Lobdell **Contributing Writer** 

Blough got the money he of-way located in his front walk. sought to repair his property yard. Blough said he under- After discussion with first Lowell Historic Home West Michigan Tree Service let that kind of work take place after a tree service cut down stood which tree was to be West Michigan Tree Service, Tour next month. trees in his front yard. He still taken down but when he came Lowell City Manager, David felt, however, that he back from vacation at the end Pasquale said the tree pany would pay, the amount was Mayor Jeanne Shores then for the city not to go after shouldn't have had to go to of August, a tree that shouldn't company's insurance com- for the resolding came to who said, before the vote, that the company responsible. He the city council in the first have been removed (a 60 ft. pany would pay for damages \$1,544. The tree, which the she felt this was opening the said he only raised this point

Blough came to the coun- moved. cil meeting Sept. 4, seeking

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Blough sought replace- only pay \$335 for mulch and with the total being \$1,904. Blough abstained from the through what he did. payment for damages to his ment of the tree with a 2 1/2 seeding of the lawn. Blough

lawn and property after West inch round maple as well as was seeking a resodding cost Mathews made the motion discussion due to his personal Michigan Tree Service cut repair costs to his lawn, of \$1,879. The reason for the for the city to reimburse relationship with Blough. Lowell resident, Ivan down trees in the city right- hedges, driveway and side- resodding is that the Blough Blough the \$1,904 and give

Less what the tree com-

### Boom in interest has driver's ed program offering new courses

#### By J. Lobdell **Contributing Writer**

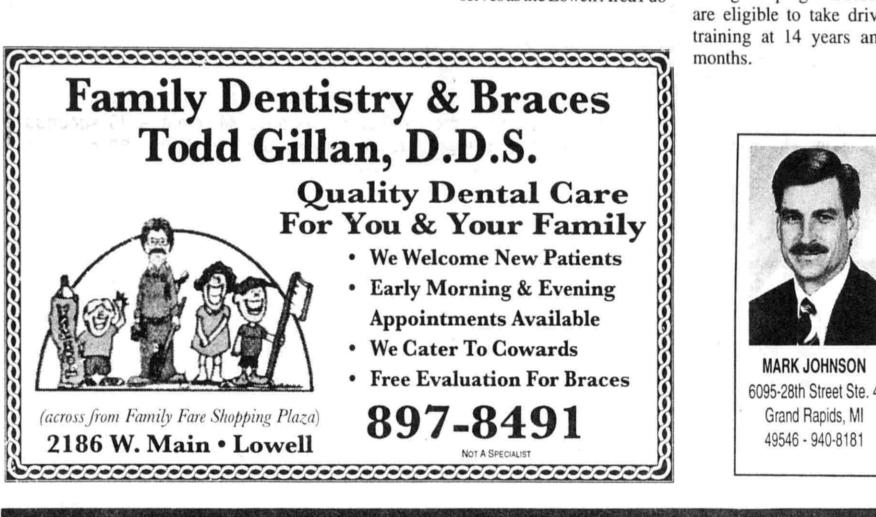
When Al Eckman took driver's education about 45 were between 50 and 75 students, a couple of instructors, gram. and road work consisted of running up and down the dirt and gravel areas.

grown," Eckman said as he gave a report to the Lowell Board of Education at its Sep-

serves as the Lowell Area Pub-

lic Schools Director of Safety through the 2003 summer pro- taking the fall course.

38 students in each this year, having the fall and spring pro- to budget cuts, the program the program had 22 students grams. During the summer, has had to rely on students "How these numbers have on a waiting list compared to students are involved in vaca- paying a fee to cover costs. 10 last year, Eckman said. The tions, camps and other activiresult has been to offer fall ties that can make it difficult charges \$140 for the courses and spring classes to help re- for those interested in driver's required by the state; this runs tember meeting two weeks duce class sizes along with education. By offering more below the school average of trying to get all students who courses throughout the year, \$160 per student and far be-Today, Eckman, who are eligible and interested Eckman said he sees the pro- low the best price for comthrough the program. Students gram having more flexibility are eligible to take driver's and availability to all. training at 14 years and 8 months



**Regular Meeting of September 8, 2003** 

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT - Matt Hansen, the Student Council President and Student Representative to the Board reported that school is off to a good start. Halls are no longer so crowded due to the new Freshman Center. The Student Council and Student Services Center sponsored an ice cream social for about 80 new students to Lowell Area Schools. Homecoming plans are underway. Student Council members are meeting with students, teachers and administrators to look at bullying prevention measures and in changes to the bullying policy at Lowell High School.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF NEW STAFF** - Connie Gillette introduced the following new teachers and administrators:

Laurel Grabe - Alto One-half time Kindergarten teacher; Amy Pike - Cherry Creek 2nd Grade teacher; Brent Noskey - Cherry Creek Interim Assistant Principal; Amy Pallo - High School Assistant Principal for Freshman Center; Tory Parsons - High School Counselor; Timothy Haan - High School Band Director; Chaye Klomparens - High School Part-time Spanish teacher; Lara Roessler - Middle School Counselor: Kevin Raymond Middle School Assistant Principal

### SPECIAL RECOGNITION -

Lowell School Safety Response Guide - Pete Frommeyer and Al Eckman presented the Board of Education members with a copy of the new School Safety Guide which was put together over the past year in response to the need to have all safety information in one location and in an easy to use format. Lowell Ledger Editor - Thad Kraus, long time Lowell Ledger reporter and editor, was recognized with a special resolution for his valuable contributions and commitment to the Lowell community and especially to the Lowell Area Schools.

### **ACTION ITEMS -**

Accepted the following Gifts:

- Marjorie Carr donation of fencing and posts valued at \$307 to be used for the gardens and signage at the Wittenbach Center.
- Lindsay Gustafson donation of a 21/2 foot alligator and an aguarium valued at \$900 to be used by the Wittenbach Center.

### CONSENT ITEMS - Approved/accepted were:

- Minutes of August 11, 2003 Regular Meeting, August 11, 2003 Closed Session, August 25, 2003 Workshop, August 25, 2003 Closed Session
- The following payment of bills for August 2003:

GENERAL FUND SCHOOL SERVICES FU	\$ 1,300,392.31
A. Food Service Fund	\$7,553.65
B. Athletic Fund	\$9,683.39
2000 CONSTRUCTION I	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
TRUST AND AGENCY F	UND \$18,051.91
Scholarship Fund	\$ 4,050.00

- New Hires. Laurel Grabe 1/2-time Kindergarten Teacher Alto Amy Pike - 2nd Grade Teacher - Cherry Creek Chaye Klomparens-Part-time Spanish Teacher-High School
- The proposed changes to the O.K. Conference BY-LAWS A change order for additional masonry work at the Murray Lake Elementary School in the amount of \$29,429

DRIVERS ED UPDATE - AI Eckman updated the Board of Education on the Driver Education Program held during the summer and shared plans of offering a Fall and Spring Drivers Education Program in order to accommodate the growing numbers.

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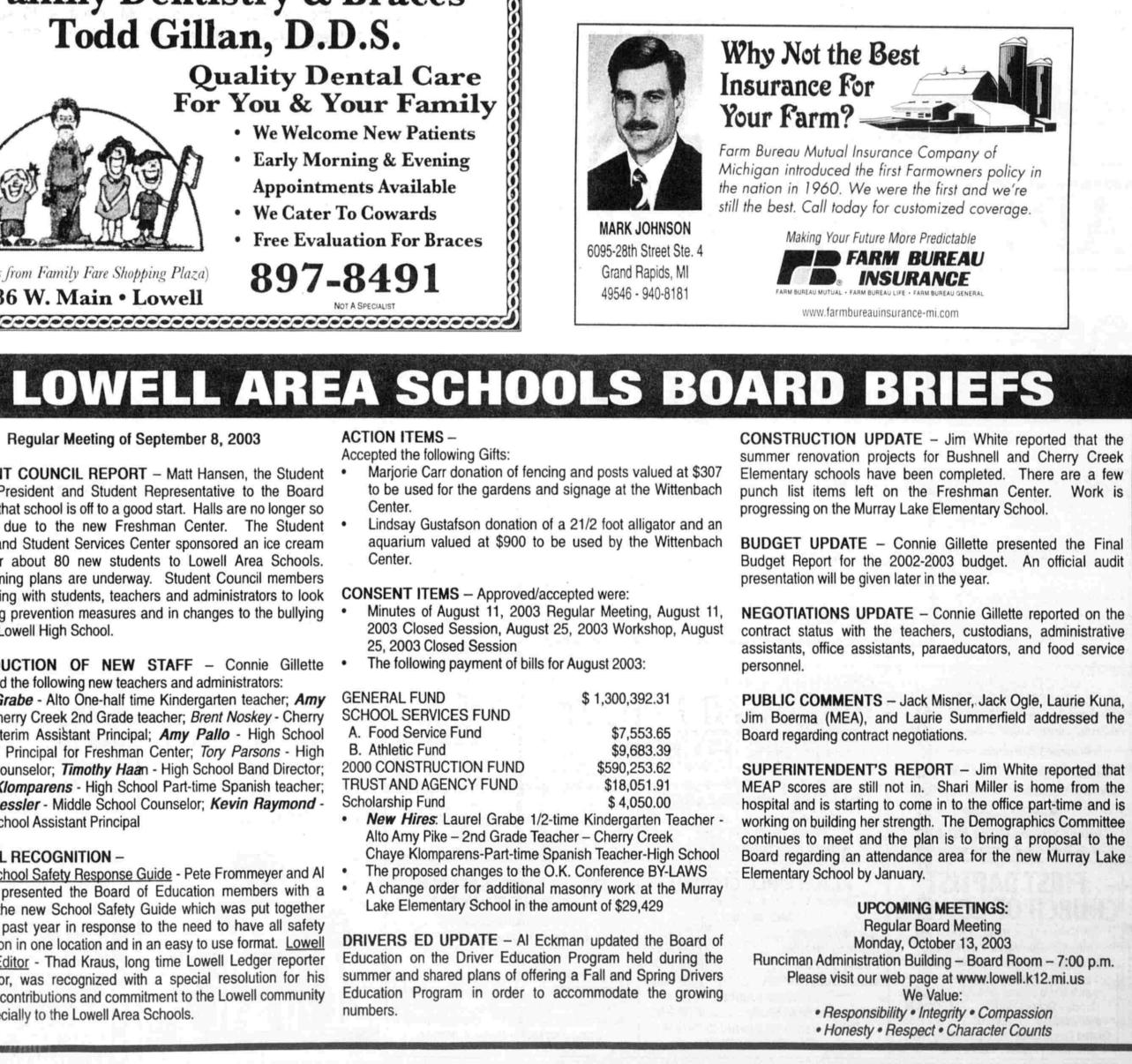
Councilman Alan vote and left the room during

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Eckman said that in his and oversees the program, said initial promotion of the fall

Another item that has changed over the years for the program has eight instruc- program that took place about driver's education is how it is tors and 12 licensed vehicles, two weeks ago, he had 20 funded. In the past, the state years ago in Lowell, there and 304 students have gone students express interest in helped pick up the bill which allowed districts to offer the "It provides more op- program to its students for free. Even with classes of about tions," Eckman said about For the last several years, due

Eckman said Lowell mercial training, which is \$310.



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### Dr. Roger La Warre

First Congregational Church There is a story in Mark 6:31-37, in which we find Jesus taking a man aside from the crowds and healing him of his deafness and his inability to speak. It is a powerful story that is woven among many other accounts of Jesus teaching, healing and feeding the people of his day. This and the other accounts of Jesus' ministry are given to inspire and to renew us in our faith in and commitment to God.

Some who read this are old enough to remember the televised Billy Graham Crusades for Christ. Perhaps you can also remember the song "It Is No Secret What God Can Do" being sung by Cliff Barrows, the crusades version of a Jewish cantor. The song reminds us, "What He's (God) done for others, he'll do for you." This song in essence expresses the powerful message that Mark is trying to get you and me to hear.

The problem is that we seem too willing to follow the strange command of Jesus, also part of this healing story, to "tell no one." We act as if there is a great secret that you and

I have, and we keep it from our friends and co-workers. That secret is that God, in Christ, has opened the door for the transformation of our minds. There is healing power, strength for the faint of heart, courage in the face of difficult relationships, forgiveness and grace enough to enable a new beginning at any time in life. We know this, yet, unlike the people who witnessed the power of God in their lives, who could not keep it quiet but told everyone, even against the admonition of Jesus; we find it very easy to keep our mouth closed, not even inviting people to come with us to our places of worship. Is there any wonder that the church, except in a few locations, is not growing at a pace equal to the local area in which it is established.

It seems that even those of us who know the love and forgiveness of the Lord can be slow of speech and hard of hearing. So, the prayer that Jesus offers us today is the Greek word "Ephphatha!" Be open! Make the love of God known in our community. Come together from all denominations, Catholic and Protestant, liberal and conservative, all people, and worship as one people, proclaiming the unity of the spirit from the diversity of our callings. Let us no longer be a people deaf to the pain and need of others and unable to speak the words and actions of God's love. Let us work to unite our churches not on the basis of creed and unanimity of belief, but on the recognition that we are all recipients of God's Grace and love, brothers and sisters through God's love as we know it in Christ Jesus. Then, "Ephphatha!" - let us be open that we might hear and speak God's love.







Elizabeth Rose Doyle and William Alton Fox were nited in marriage on August 23 in Aiken, S.C. Parents of the couple are John and Kathy Doyle of Saranac and Lt. Col. William Fox of Oceanside, Calif., and

Emily Doyle was maid of honor and Neil MacPhereson

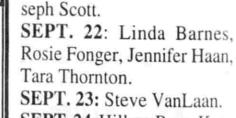
# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Denton, Noelle Dewey, Megan Claypool, Brian Ryder, Renae Heinicke, Griff Brenk, Julie Kline. SEPT. 20: Donald Rittersdorf Jr., Patrick Parish, Mitchell

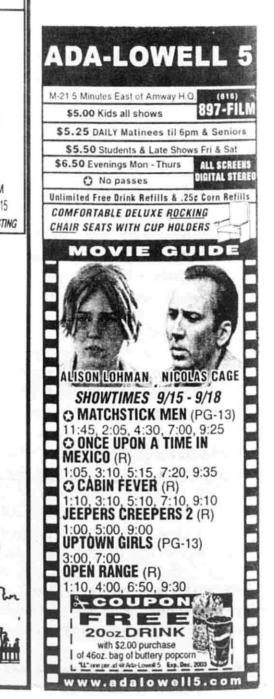
SEPT. 21: Deanna Anchors,

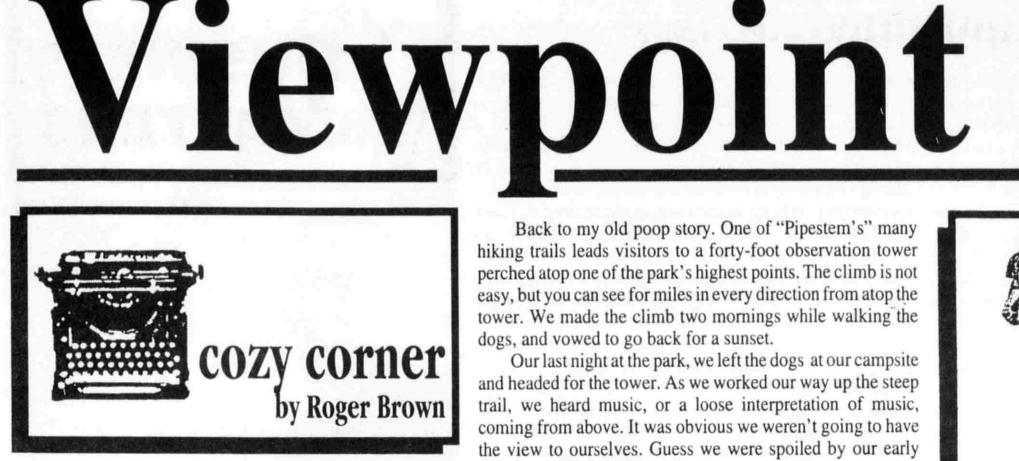
Renee Fox, Rich Briseno, Jo-

Walling.



SEPT. 24: Hillary Boss, Kenneth Gregersen II, David Powell, Clara King, Stephanie Vickers.





the hill," or as an "old poop," etc. Sure, my hair is gray and thinning fast. I have my share of aches and pains. I catch myself paying attention to ads on the nightly news about products to the top of the tower. promoting regularity.

I'mbecoming one of the crotchety old poops I remember from probably students at a small college in a nearby town. I want my youth. Those old guys rolled their eyes at my moppish hair, to say right up front, that the kids were not menacing in any beat-up VW beetle and the Hendrix, Joplin or Stones music way. Whenever I made eye contact with one, I got a smile in that came from the car's 8-track tape player and wimpy return. Nevertheless, Terese and I felt very uncomfortable. speakers.

In reality, I'm only 53. I still work. I stay active. I belong to civic organizations. I keep up with current events. I feel like I still have a hand in the game. I'm trying not to become one of crude flute-like instrument. I think the flute is an Australian those crotchety old guys, but every so often I get a reminder thing. It makes a weird noise. Kinda like somebody passing gas that time marches on. After all, my old VW went to the junk in an empty dumpster. Thankfully, I didn't see a banjo. yard over thirty years ago ... about the same time Uncle Samcut my hair.

time in the state, but what I saw of it on our drive through on Richard Nixon at Woodstock. Interstate 77 was spectacular.

The State Park, "Pipestem," encompassed several thou- bongos and weird flutes were showing up by the minute. sand acres of lush green low mountains. The elevation reached Besides feeling very uncomfortable, and very old, clouds were to over 3,000 feet and a tramway operated by the park takes obscuring the sunset. Terese and I quietly decided to make an visitors down to a small lodge and restaurant at the bottom of exit. We passed more kids, bongos and flutes on our way a river gorge, some 1,500 feet below. The park boasts a huge down. This was obviously not a Rotary function. lodge, camping, 18 holes of regulation golf, a nine hole par 3 course, tennis, horse back riding, boat rentals, archery, minigolf, hiking trails, indoor and outdoor swimming pools, restaurants, and so on. The grounds were beautifully manicured and the buildings nicely maintained. All the staff we encountered seemed exceedingly friendly. It was more like a posh resort driven off a mountain by bongos. In "Deliverance" it was than a State Park. We were very impressed. I will no longer be banjoes. With me it's bongos. I swear... my life seems really immediately reminded of "Deliverance" when I think of West weird sometimes. Virginia.

Back to my old poop story. One of "Pipestem's" many hiking trails leads visitors to a forty-foot observation tower perched atop one of the park's highest points. The climb is not easy, but you can see for miles in every direction from atop the tower. We made the climb two mornings while walking the dogs, and vowed to go back for a sunset.

Our last night at the park, we left the dogs at our campsite and headed for the tower. As we worked our way up the steep trail, we heard music, or a loose interpretation of music, coming from above. It was obvious we weren't going to have the view to ourselves. Guess we were spoiled by our early morning walks with the dogs when normal people aren't up and around.

When we came to the clearing around the tower, we could I often refer to myself as an A.A.R.P. member, or as "over see several people staring down at us. The music had stopped. I had a brief recollection of the banjo-playing kid in "Deliverance," but was able to shake off the vision. We made the climb

When we arrived at the top, we found about a dozen young I find tongue-studs, tattoos and rap music repulsive. I fear people. They were all in their late teens or early twenties and Sort of like chaperones at the senior prom.

Flour and feed from Fox's Mill are available on the west One of the guys had a guitar and plunked at it. Another side, across from Denny's blacksmith shop. guy had bongo drums. And yet another had a three-foot long The Ionia County and state fairs are both running this week. Kent County next week. Barney McGee's new building is handsome, made of Milwaukee brick.

The kids wore their hair, dressed and spoke like, for lack The Cantata of Esther was repeated this week as a benefit; of a better term, "hippie-wannabes." The only song I recogproceedings to go to yellow fever sufferers. \$70 was raised. One of these "old poop" reminders came just last week. nized was a Pure Prairie League tune popular back when I was My wife and I were traveling between Michigan and Florida their age. I heard the word "groovey" more than once, saw tie-**100 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER** and spent a couple of nights at a West Virginia State Park. dyed T-shirts and noticed peace symbols on the guitar and **SEPTEMBER 17, 1903** Before I get on with my story, let me say a word about West embroidered on some of the clothing. Thirty-some years ago, The Second Annual Good Roads Festival is a rousing Virginia and this particular State Park. I had never spent any I would have fit right in. Last Wednesday I felt like I was success in spite of rain, the vaudeville show is performed twice, in the opera house and on the Island.

The Michigan Master Horseshoers Association asks for a We used to have a neighbor who hosted Sunday cookouts state board of examiners. Would-be horseshoers would have to which inevitably deteriorated into bongo jam sessions. Terese pass an examination to be licensed. and I dubbed these festivities "Bongo-rama Nights." The so-The veterans' pension rolls show just under one million called music always drove us inside. Civil War and Spanish War pensioners and widows. Five Now we had traveled to the hills of West Virginia to be names are on the Revolutionary War list.

## TO THE EDITOR

#### To the Editor:

Jack Misner's letter to the Editor in the Sept. 10 Ledger raises some school issues we all need to think about. Without coming right out and saying so, he seems to be talking about the rising health care costs. Rising health care costs the teachers contract negotiations between the Board of Education and the can help pay - not the taxpayers. LEA. If that's the case, there are a lot of things he left out.

The main stumbling block in the negotiations is insurance and pay. Mr. Misner left out how the district pays \$919 per To the Editor: month per family for insurance and the teachers pay nothing. is less than the increase in premium for the year. Is there anyone reading this who would not be happy insuring their family for trying to find answers for. \$50 a month?

The current deductible for teachers is \$50 per person with a \$100 cap for families. The board would like to make it \$100 and \$200 respectively. Again is there anyone who wouldn't love to have insurance for \$50 a month with a \$100-\$200 deductible?

ments starts out at just under \$35,000 a year and steps up from there. The pay increase proposed by the board would more than taking an illegal action. make up for the added cost borne by the teachers.

As for the fund balance of 13.5 percent instead of 5 percent, recommended by Standards and Poors, if we had an unex-

#### Correction ....

In the Ledger article "No shrinking of gap between school board & LEA on Sept. 10, teacher, Jack Misner was incorrectly quoted as saying, "Moral wisdom needs to be followed to resolve this unholy dispute." It should have read, "Moral wisdom needs to be followed to resolve this wholly unnecessary dispute."

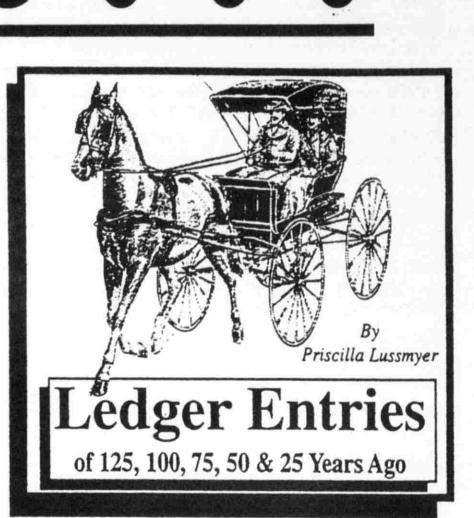
Lowell Specialty Co. gives insurance policies for \$750 to pected expense that 5 percent wouldn't cover, the same people would be asking why no one anticipated it and maintained a all its employees with three or more months service. higher fund balance. Lowell schools have grown; some elective classes were

Maybe it is an "unnecessary and unholy dispute," as Mr. Misner said, but it's not the Board of Education losing respect textbooks. All bounties on animals are canceled except for sparrows and trust from the community - it's the teachers. Teachers and other LEA members need to get into the real world, the world and rats. of high unemployment, layoffs, minimal or no pay raises and Three raids in Ionia destroy illegal liquor and stills. Kent County works on reforestation and eradicating cattle tuberculosis. Bill Collins

Forrest "Bucky" Buck will report LHS football games for On Monday, Sept. 8, I attended a Lowell School Board The board wants the teachers to pay only \$50 per month. \$50 meeting. I am not a teacher, support staff or board member, just the Ledger this season. a concerned parent. Several things confused me that I am still Showboat Corp. has about \$16,000 after expenses, with record-breaking attendance even with the big rain.

First of all, why weren't more parents at this meeting? Smyrna will celebrate its 100th anniversary the 19th, with There is a lot of talk in the community regarding a possible a full day of parades, programs and picnics. Eight volunteers showed up and shingled the Boy Scout strike. As a parent I felt it was important to learn about the issues creating this turmoil. The business of a school district cabin roof Saturday. needs to be taken seriously - these are taxpayer dollars being County school superintendent Lynn Clark explains the confusing state rules on bus transportation in regard to paroargued over. At the very least, parents should attend these The newest teacher with the minimum education require- meetings so that if a strike does take place we can explain to our chial schools. children why their teachers decided to set a poor example by **25 YEARS THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER** 

**SEPTEMBER 20, 1978** Secondly, where is all this extra money the Union thinks the school board has charge of? According to the budget The Assembly of God moves into the new church south of figures, the district will need to borrow funds by Oct. 10 of this Lowell Mike Connell becomes the new director of the YMCA. year. Union members are being asked to pay a \$5 copay on Refloat the Showboat has "buttons and bows": buttons, prescriptions instead of the previous \$2, and approximately a iron-ons, pieces of the showboat and T-shirts for sale. This \$50 per month premium rather than the zero they are accustomed to. Besides, the school board is offering to write checks week's event: a pancake breakfast. Sidewalks damaged in the storm will be repaired before back to these people from the savings received by going to a winter, says DPW director, Tony Siciliano. new insurance plan (same company, different plan). With Roger Brown's Cozy Corner announces that he has quit insurance costs soaring, almost everyone is paying more these smoking.



### **125 YEARS THE WEEKLY JOURNAL SEPTEMBER 18, 1878**

The sidewalks still need fixing.

We hung around for ten or fifteen minutes. More kids, The Good Roads, speaker urges voters to work toward county, state and national roads instead of the "shiftless" pathmaster method now in use.

Maggie Ryder tells of her adventures while coming to Vergennes from Switzerland in 1851.

### **75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER** AND THE ALTO SOLO SEPTEMBER 20, 1928 (1923)

Using columns from 1998 we give you "80 Years The Lowell Ledger and Alto Solo"

oversubscribed, though stores in town generally had enough

### **50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER SEPTEMBER 17, 1953**

### To the Editor, continued....From page 5

they've had it so good for so long. Some teachers and support ishly on the Michigan Legislature to be generous, timely, or staff feel since they live in the district and send children to fair with education funding. We all know that Lowell is Lowell public schools, they are doing the district a favor by reimbursed at the minimum per student grant level of \$6700 providing the schools with their \$6,700 per student allowance. So do I, but no one is offering me anything special.

"informational" picket preceding this meeting. Many of these placards referred to "the children." The issues at hand have absolutely nothing to do with the children. They have to do with teachers and support staff who have been well taken care of and now when it is time to tighten things up, are acting money. It will also help if even harder times come to education. spoiled and selfish.

Our current economy has created an employer's marketno one should take their job for granted. I'm sure there are plenty of well-qualified, under employed individuals out there just waiting for a phone call from a school administrator with an offer of employment. The current teachers and support staff have done a fine job, however, arrogance has gotten in the way to year requires solid school finances. Spending down to the and they've forgotten that no one is irreplaceable.

> Sincerely John Muha

Dear Editor.

Just the mention of Alticor, Steelcase, Meijers and Siemens Dematic, brings to mind people we know who have lost their jobs. Michigan's unemployment rate is 7.4 percent - tied for fourth in the nation. In the Grand Rapids area, the unemployment rate is an amazing 8.5 percent! Even here in the Lowell area, there are vacant buildings along or near Main Street/M-21.

Whether we have lost jobs or not, we are all victims of a slowly drowning economy with politicians trying to buoy it up by spending the Federal government into deep, unthinkably large deficits. Such debt will burden generations of our children and grandchildren.

That's the bad news. The good news is that in and around Lowell there is a caring, supportive community. In the middle of it all is one of the finest public schools in the area. Lowell Schools are the result of that caring on the part of people who live here: skilled, dedicated teachers, a board with a vision and high expectations and an administrative team that knows how nancy. to create finances that are solid, sensible and well-run.

days. Union members should consider themselves lucky that system is not spending itself into oblivion, or counting fooland that is the same as last year's per student grant. With the Michigan economy in the doldrums, the per student grant has Lastly, I was surprised by the signs being carried at the very little hope of being increased and could be reduced. Thank goodness those who are in charge of keeping Lowell school finances on a sound footing are not spending down to our last cent. It makes good sense to maintain a fund balance which is already used to cover costs in months when the State sends no We do have an elementary school to open next year, too.

There is no substitute for excellent handling of school finances. It means less borrowing (and less interest to pay). It means the ability to maintain jobs and to continue valuable services to students. We must focus on our goal of educating successful student learners. To do that consistently from year last cent is not prudent use of tax dollars.

> Sincerely, Gordon and Marsha Wilcox

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

BIRTH CONTROL OPTIONS

There are several options available today to prevent preg-

The first, and best way to prevent pregnancy is simply not It is particularly comforting to know that our school to have sex. It is the only way to make absolutely sure you don't



David Lane has been promoted to office manager at ICNB's Lowell office, it was announced by James D. Fast, president.

transmitted diseases.

Barrier methods include condoms, the diaphragm, cervical caps or the sponge. These methods prevent pregnancy by blocking sperm from entering the uterus, thus preventing fertilization. Barrier methods can be made more effective by adding a spermacide foam or cream which kills sperm. Condoms are a good way to prevent sexually transmitted diseases. Other barrier methods do not prevent STD's.

Birth control pills work by preventing ovulation. You must remember to take them every day for them to be effective. They may cause nausea, headaches, breast tenderness and occasional weight gain. It may help shorten periods and reduce cramping or bleeding during menses. Other hormone preparations that prevent ovulation include the birth control patch, implant, shots or intravaginal







In his new position, Lane will oversee the daily operations of the Lowell office and service consumer, mortgage and commercial loans.

Lane has three years experience in the banking industry. Most recently, he served as the office manager for the Sunfield office. Prior to that he was employed by the United States Army as a Combat Medic.

Lane is a graduate of the

Army School of Medicine in San Antonio, Texas. He also attends the Robert M. Perry School of Banking.

get pregnant. Abstinance also avoids the risk of sexually

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Nancy Hopkins, President **Board** of Education

On behalf of the Board of Education this article will ad dress recent comments and concerns relating to teacher and support staff negotiations. It will not address specific negotiation details; it will address matters in a more general manner. The board appreciates the interest of teachers, support staff and the community. We also take our responsibility seriously to continue to assess what the district can do to save money (or spend wisely) without laying off teachers or other staff, maintain both quality programs for our students, and accountability and trust with our taxpayers. We understand the differing perspectives and are committed to working cooperatively to a final resolution.

• The board would certainly agree that it would be better to have started the school year with a settled contract. It is no coincidence that this is also the third consecutive year that state funding and the economy has stagnated. It is this fact, more than any other that has made for difficult contract negotiations.

• It is the Lowell Board of Education that has defined the parameters of the district's proposal for its bargaining team. The board is fully informed and updated on the status of negotiations.

• The district's bargaining team has met six times each with the teachers' bargaining team since May 29th and the support staff's bargaining team since June 11. The latest district proposals to both teachers and staff bargaining teams were made Aug. 27. As of this writing (Sept. 12) there has been no official response from their bargaining teams since the Aug. 19th bargaining sessions.

· The board must be responsible in its planning from beginning to end of the negotiation process. Utilizing the services of an attorney has been a part of that plan and now that we are in mediation, complexities at a higher level and strike talk afloat, it is a customary and responsible step for the board.

The board has not been influenced by the attorney or any other outsiders in defining its opinions and direction to the district's bargaining team. This also is not the first time the district has used the services of an attorney during negotia-

### SYNOPSIS **REGULAR MEETING OF** THE LOWELL CITY COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 2, 2003, 7:30 P.M.

Minutes of the August 18, 2003 Regular Meeting were approved as corrected and bills and the accounts payable were approved.

The following motions were approved:

- Motion to adopt the resolution for the building permit rates as presented from Imperial Municipal Services.
- Motion to approve Change Order #6 for a total of \$32,077.08 for the City Hall - Police Station Construction project.
- Motion to authorize the proclamation for Vietnam Veterans POW-MIA the Proclamation as well as the Kent County Literacy Club Proclamation.
- Motion to adjourn at 9:03 p.m. The next Regularly Scheduled Meeting will be Monday, September 15, 2003.

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

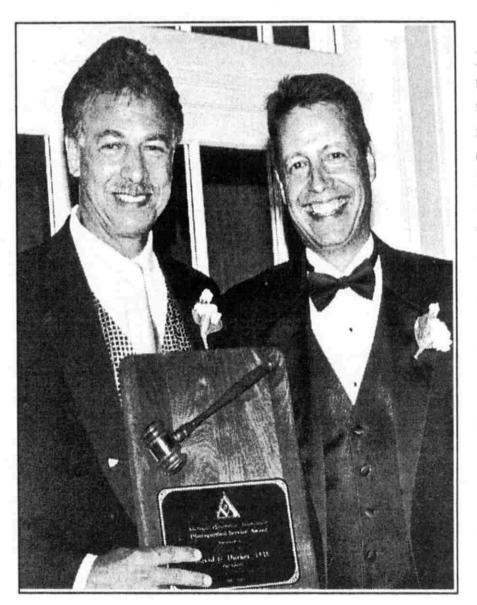


Betty R. Morlock, City Clerk City of Lowell

 Because of the state funding schedule, Lowell Area Schools (as with most other public school districts) must borrow at times throughout the year to meet financial obligations, including short-term expenses like payroll and long term expenses. The district's fund balance does not carry the district through the entire school year. This school year we have already borrowed \$2 million to meet expenses.

• The board is not pursuing a change from the teachers and support staffs' MESSA insurance to some other less expensive insurance. We are simply seeking ways to contain the rapidly increasing costs of insurance - something that is affecting employers and employees everywhere.

# **Durkee receives Distinguished Service Award**

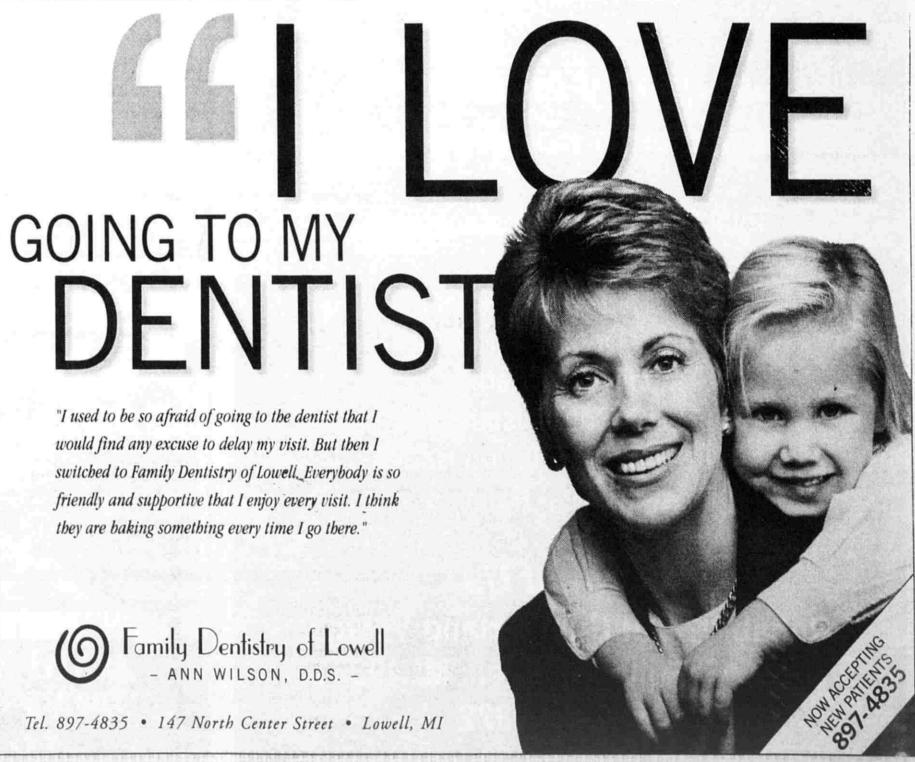


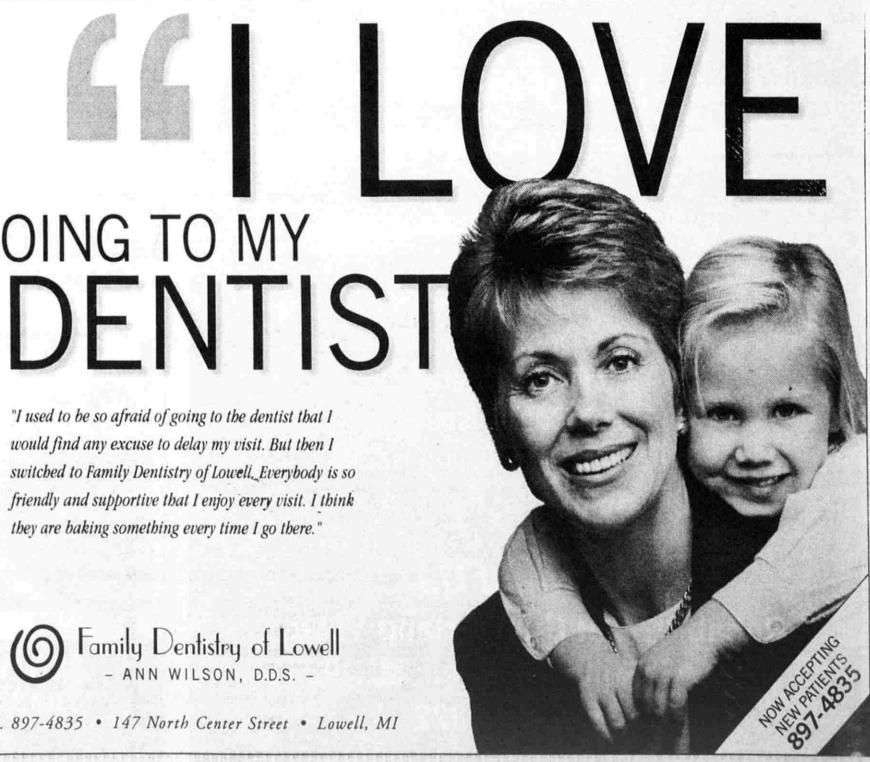
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ring. The shot is given every 3 months and is very effective but considered if you are sure you don't want another pregnancy may cause breast tenderness, weight gain and irregular vaginal because they can be difficult to reverse. bleeding. The patch works like the pill but only needs to be system to prevent ovulation.

IUDs are small plastic devices placed into the uterus in usually only used in women who have already had children. IUDs can cause heavier bleeding and cramping during periods.

scrotum. A tubal ligation is done as an outpatient procedure in mode of action. the hospital and involves blocking the fallopian tubes so the eggs can't travel to the uterus. Sterilization should only by physician.





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• The teachers and support staff in our schools are outstanding! The district proposals are not meant to be disrespectful in any way to them. They are the result of thorough and careful research, and being fiscally responsible in a difficult situation. Failure to address the district's financial realities will result in the decline of our district programs and services, and it ultimately will cost jobs.

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Lowell has received the Dis- organization's board of directinguished Service Award of tors as immediate past presithe Michigan Optometric As- dent for an additional onesociation for his work as asso- year term. Grand Rapids.

of the Michigan College of association's monthly maga-Optometry, Ferris State Uni- zine. He practices optometry president at the convention but Dr. Heidi M. Gordon.

Dr. David G. Durkee of will continue on the

ciation president during the Durkee is a prior winner 2002-03 association year. Pre- of the association's Keyperson sentation of the award came Award for significant contriduring the association's 107th butions to the association and Annual Convention at the profession of optometry and Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in the Emil Arnold Award for article contributions to The Durkee, a1981 graduate Michigan Optometrist, the versity, retired as association in Lowell, in association with

Dr. David G. Durkee, right, received the Distinguished Service Award of the Michigan Optometric Association from 2003-04 president, Dr. Peter M. Agnone of Grand Blanc.

Natural family planning involves learning the woman's applied once per week. Implants are placed in the upper arm cycle so you can avoid intercourse before, during or just after surgically in your doctor's office and will provide contracep- ovulation. There are several different methods to keep track tion for 5 years. They may be removed earlier if pregnancy is of ovulation including testing the cervical mucous in comdesired. The ring is a flexible plastic ring placed in the vagina bination with keeping track of the woman's cycle on a by the patient once monthly. It releases hormones into the calendar. Natural family planning can be effective but it requires careful planning and commitment.

Finally, emergency contraception involves taking a couple your physician's office. The IUD can be left in place for up to of doses of birth control pills after intercourse to prevent the 10 years. It prevents sperm from reaching the egg. They are sperm from reaching the egg or preventing implantation. You have to take the first set of pills within 72 hours of intercourse and the second dose 12 hours later. Side effects Permanent sterilization is the most effective preventative include nausea, vomiting and headache. Emergency contrameasure other than abstinance. A vasectomy is done in the ception should not be used as a regular means of contracepphysician's office by snipping the sperm ducts within the tion. Some people may have some religious issues with its

Be sure to discuss what option is right for you with your

# City moves forward on some street projects; waits on others

#### By J. Lodbell **Contributing Writer**

The Lowell City Council has decided to reduce its scope on an upcoming road project and not seek a Michigan Department of Transportation bond. The council met last week during a special session and after some discussion decided not to seek a bond since it would tie up funding for future projects, said Lowell City Manager, David Pasquale.

The outcome was that the council, by consensus, would move forward with the Foreman Road project from N. Hudson to Gee Drive and then from Gee to the Creekside Park entrance since 80 percent of the project would be covered under federal funding, Pasquale explained.

The council also decided to move forward on the S. Center Street and Clarke Street project since it was developer driven with the developer planning to make major improvements to those streets. The city would only be responsible for the remaining curb and gutter to the streets and the last 90 feet of Clarke Street, which is on cityowned property. The work also would provide a new east side entrance into Stoney Lakeside Park, Pasquale said

The decision did put the work on Grindle and Sibley

on hold for a future date be- iams and Works. cause there would be "no bonding at this time," who did point out that Will-Pasquale said. City staff iams and Works was not the hoped to get an engineering low bidder on the project, said firm online for the work at the he could support the choice that he is a resident of the city, meeting, but the council de- since Dave Austin (who works said he hoped the council cided since the scope of the for William and Works) lived project had changed, the city in one of the areas affected by other factors, i.e., who would needed to seek new bids from the work. Councilman Mike be the most qualified for the the four firms involved. City Blough said he felt in order to work. He used the City Hall

staff had recommended Will- be good stewards to the city, project as an example, and

### **Local band Ragnarok** moves on to nationals



As part of the 100-city Milk Mustache Mobile Shake Stuff-Up Tour to promote Huizenga and Coleton milk to teenagers, the Lowell Webber, their combined crebased trio, Ragnarok claimed ative energies and their unique the cash prize and now moves sound caught the attention of on to nationals, placing them the promoters of the tour. in the top 100 bands in the "Even if we don't win the

in booths that had been set up possible now," said Jones. prior to competition at a local

Meijer store and at a middle school in the Lansing area, as well as at RiverTown Mall on the evening of the competi-

Battles continue through the end of October when the finalists will be voted on again and a top winner chosen in November or December 2003. For Ryder Jones, Nick finals, somebody out there is Voters made their choice hearing our music. Anything's

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the council needed to make Councilman Jim Pfaller, sure it was getting the best price, and the only way to do that was to seek bids.

> Austin, who pointed out would not just look at cost but

said the city did not go with bids on the same scope." the lowest bid when it came to Blough said, with councilman determine the engineering Al Mathews agreeing. The firm. "We don't low bid our council decided to seek new city attorney," Austin said. bids from all four firms which "We don't low bid our waste had participated in the prowater treatment contracts that cess on the new scope and come up from time to time." make a decision on engineer-"I would feel more coming services at its next meetfortable if we had a couple of ing set for Oct. 6.

# Laurels of Kent residents help keep the city trash-free



# Signatures, continued...From Page 1

it is questionable as to how the first set was collected, the residents should not be allowed the additional 10 days.

Sundry also wanted the certifiers in question to not be be issued. Then work would allowed to gather more signa- have to stop until the petition ing this project; Wendt said, Bowie added that Sundry has the petitions.

signatures.

project, Wendt said it can continue until the point that a permit from the city needs to certifiers did certify signatures



Staff at the Laurels of Kent are strolling their residents along Main Street to help make their city a cleaner place in which to live. Laurels of Kent, un-

ler the Adopt-a-Highway program, has adopted Main St. from West St. to the east city imits. Staff take their residents out three times a year to pick up trash.

After their stroll along the south side of Main St., the residents are treated to ice cream at Keiser's. They then head back west to clean the north side of Main St.

explained. Bowie said however, the city cannot pre- a soil erosion permit, which Sundry's position is that since vent people from collecting does not come through the city, and Wendt responded As for the work on the that a person could grade a site without developing it. Wendt concluded that if

without being present upon signing, it could be a misdetures on any petitions regard- issue has been determined. meanor; this is also stated on

# Smith 2003 points champion

Hillary Smith, the 19- lieve she is safer on the track top of the list, she liked being year- old daughter of Rudy than out on the road." and Lori Smith, now has three School in June of this year and the mid-'80s. She and her dad ture race. she is the 2003 points cham- removed the interior and inpion in the 4 cylinder Bomber stalled a roll cage, fire extin- was the worst one for repairs to others. The other 15 drivers Class at Mid-Michigan Race- guisher, an eight-gallon fuel and saw the Smiths replacing in the Bomber class, known

around the race track since like the ones found in for the help of her local spon- woman, and the points winshe was 15, even before she NASCAR racing. When asked sors: Elite Auto Body, Mod- ner for the season, created could legally drive a car on why she drives a Mustang, ern Photographics, and A-1 somewhat of a problem for the road. The opportunity for Hillary gave a very practical Laser. Lori was quick to point the men who drove against her to drive competitively reason. "There are a lot of out that the radiators were re- her. Hillary said, "It is fun came when a friend of the them around in junkyards," placed because of the "bang racing with a bunch of guys; family offered up a car that she noted. "It makes it easy to and bash" driving style of they don't like being beaten "wasn't being used." Lori, her get parts." mom, was a little nervous about Hillary's choice of a plays a very important part of they didn't appreciate being coming a professional driver sport at first. "She and her dad racing, especially when a racer beaten by a young woman and as a goal. While she wants to snuck it in under my nose," starts to do well and leads in would take extreme measures keep driving as a hobby, her Lori said. "At first it was a the points standing. Hillary to try and get ahead of her, career interests are along a

cell, and a racing seat with a the radiator four times, among as mini-stock at some tracks, Smith has been flying five-point harness system just other things. She is grateful are all men. Being the only

in first place and wanted to leaving the front end, i.e., the One of the main reasons stay there. That put some pres- radiator, vulnerable to hits. reasons for the number 03 Lori feels this way is due to sure on her and her pit crew to being on her race car. She was the safety modifications that make sure the car was good to born on August third, she have been made to the car. go every week for the 10-lap like"?), in her driving style. graduated from Lowell High Hillary drives a Mustang from heat race and the 20-lap fea- She prefers to win the races on

> some of the men who com- by a girl." The availability of parts pete with Hillary. It seems

causing her to spin around

gentle (dare we say "ladythe oval tracks with speed and This championship year finesse, and leave the bashing

Smith does not see belittle stressful, but now I be- found that once she was on including bumping her car and little more sedate line. She



Hillary is much more



### Mid-Michigan Raceway champ, Hillary Smith

just started attending the culi- Hillary came up with a sennary arts program at Grand sible answer. "I have seen Rapids Community College some big name chefs on the last week. Her pursuit of a Food channel who were precareer is evident in her current paring good food at some job as a "sandwich artist" at NASCAR races," she exthe Subway in Ada.

teresting combination of auto will be there if she sets her racing and culinary arts, mind to it.

plained. "I could be there one When asked about the in- day." We don't doubt that she The Lowell Ledger-Wednesday, September 17, 2003 - Page 10

### Sharing The Vision, continued....From Page 7

. The current method of school finance has drastically affected public school districts. Districts no longer have the ing quickly. Shari is increasing the hours spent working in her ability to go to their taxpayers asking for millage support. The office, as well as continuing to work from home. She is high escalation of

insurance costs further changes and complicates the economic picture districts are facing.

stands the realities of school finances and the economy. Our per student foundation allowance is frozen at \$6,700.00, the Gillette during that time. We value your trust, and encourage 2002-03 rate. Uncertainty about future foundation amounts goes into 2004 and beyond. In 2002-03 we cut \$500,000 from our budget. We maintained those cuts and cut an additional \$1 million for the 2003-04 school year.

Superintendent Shari Miller's return to work is progressbeginning visits to each building.

Our district's leadership remains intact.

The board thanks our entire staff for their support and The Lowell Board of Education is informed and under- cooperation during Shari's absence for her initial treatments. We greatly appreciate the leadership of Jim White and Connie you to contact any of us with comments, questions or concerns. Please stand by us while we work together - Board of Education, teachers, support staff and community - to resolve the situation at hand on behalf of all our students.

### September is Literacy **Awareness Month**

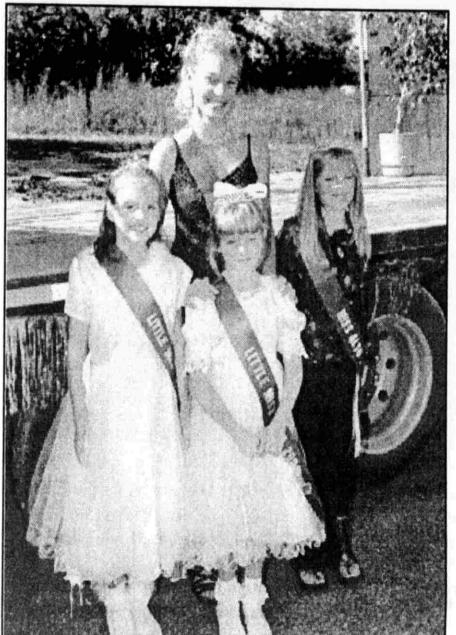
The Kent County Literacy Council has announced that September is Literacy Awareness month and is encouraging all parents to read to their children for 20 minutes each day. Reading to your children helps them become better readers.

And if you love to read, you can help someone else read. Volunteer tutors are always needed to teach adults to read and to speak English. If you are an adult and have trouble reading, contact the Kent County Literacy Council at 459-5151.





Alto's streets were alive with the sounds and smells of a festival.



In with the new and out with the old: the 2002 Miss Alto, Ocean Moore (back, left) crowned the new 2003 Miss Alto, Kim Andersen. Mariah Moore, Alto's Little Miss for 2002 (front, left), passed her duties on to the new 2003 Little Miss Alto, Leah Schlosser.

Photos by Bruce Doll

dogs free to all visitors. parking.

### Walk to support the American Cancer Society

West Michigan will celebrate Oct. 11 in Grand Rapids. strides in breast cancer research during the American mile noncompetitive walk be-Cancer Society's Sixth annual gins at 8 a.m. The walk begins Making Strides Against Breast at 9 a.m. at Calder Plaza. Pro- ward a cure.

# **LEGAL NOTICES**

STATE OF MICHIGAN 17th JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION POSTING AND NOTICE OF ACTION CASE N. 03-06540-DO

180 Ottawa, N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49503 (616) 632-5480

**BETTY JEAN BROWN** 601 Lafayette, N.E. #1 Grand Rapids, MI 49503 (616) 458-6558

WESTERN MICHIGAN LEGAL SERVICES By: Danelle Kistka (P65483) Attorneys for Plaintiff

89 Ionia, N.W. Suite 400 Grand Rapids, MI 49503 (616) 774-0672, ext. 117

> JOSEPH HOWARD BROWN Address Unknown

TO DEFENDANT, JOSEPH HOWARD BROWN IT IS ORDERED:

You are being sued by plaintiff in this court to obtain a divorce. You

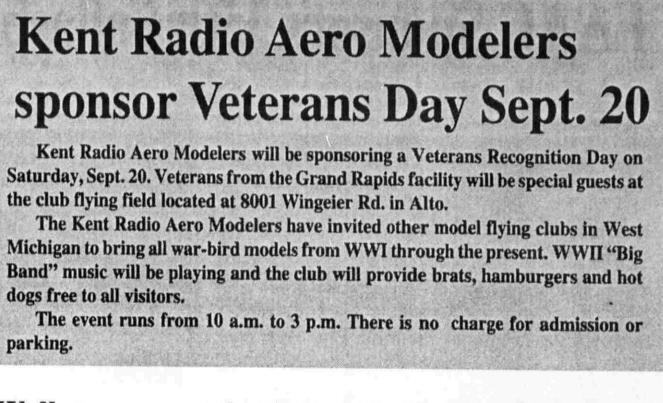


### **Maplewood Square Apartments** New-Upscale-Energy Efficient

All apartments on one level, laundry room, attached garage, covered porches, all appliances included. Now Available: 3-bedroom, 2-bath! 2-bedroom, 1-bath **Contact: Michael Nosko at** Maplewood Square Apartments • Ph: 616-682-1581



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Women and men across Cancer walk on Saturday, ceeds from this event benefit local education and support Registration for the 3.5 programs. Call 364-6121 or visit www.cancer.org to learn how you can help walk to-



take other action permit- to MCR 2.002(F). ted by law in this court at the court address above A copy of this order shall 2003. If you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in

A copy of this order shall be published once each court. week in The Lowell Ledger or three (3) consecu- Sept. 3, 2003 tive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court. The publication costs shall be paid

this case.

must file your answer or by Kent County pursuant

on or before October 29, be sent to Defendant, JOSEPH HOWARD **BROWN** at the last known address by registered mail, return receipt requested, before the date of the last publication. and the affidavit of mailing shall be filed with this

NANARUTH H. CAR-PENTER Judge

# LAAC Sponsors 35th Fallasburg Fall Festival Sept. 27 & 28

expected to attend the 35th kin painting and face-paint-Annual Fallasburg Fall Festi- ing. The Lowell Fire Departval, sponsored by the Lowell ment will have the Smoke-Area Arts Council. The festi- House trailer for children to

The festival's appealing the activities. combination of fine arts, traditional craft demonstrations. musical entertainment and food, all in a historical park setting, make it a unique "arts event" and one of many favorite festivals in the state of Michigan.

Each year 80 artists are selected to sell their artworks e in a juried competition. Booths include jewelry. pottery, glass, leather, fiber work, wood, painting and photography. just to name a few. The festival also includes demonstrations of rug hooking, origami. quilting, basketry, woodcarying, caning, rustic wood furniture. butter-churning. leatherwork. spinning and weaving.

Food booths representing nonprofit organizations from the Lowell community offer meals, desserts and snacks to entice diverse pallets. Musical entertainment on the outdoor stage offers a variety of musical styles including blues, folk and jazz.

Plenty of children's activities with hands-on exhibits and other fun activities will

Thousands of people are be offered including pump- lage Post Office will be rein- between Fallasburg Park and Ysseldyke, will be raffled

As in previous years, the once active Fallasburg Vil-

cancellation designed by Michigan. val is from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. learn about fire safety. Chil- Lowell artist, Ginny Saturday and Sunday. Sept. dren will also receive a free Gustafson, created exclu- Council's annual quilt, hand-27 and 28 at Fallasburg Park. balloon upon completion of sively for this one weekend.

Spanning the Flat River

KDL presents color tour

Enjoy West Michigan's beautiful fall colors while visiting Kent District Library's 18 branches. Those who visit at least four branches during October will be eligible to win a reading gift basket. One basket will even contain diamond earrings, valued at \$625.

Many of the local Friends Groups will sponsor book sales and special events on Saturdays and Sundays in October to coincide with the Fall Color Tour. A map of the branches with fall program information is available at any of the branches

stated by the U.S. Postal Ser- historic Fallasburg Village is along with over 70 other artvice, offering postal services the 125-year old covered and featuring a cachet and bridge, one of the few in

The Lowell Area Arts arts council. made by Lowell artist, Dawn

works provided by exhibiting artists. These funds support arts programs provided by the

There is no charge to attend the festival. Parking is

# **Class of '36 reunites for 67th**



Lowell High School class of 1936 celebrated their 67th reunion with a potluck on July 11 at Schneider Manor. Pictured, back row, left to right, are: Alfred Roth, Irene Speerstra Osborne, Marian Monks Rutherford, Howard Kropf, Michael Hoover; middle: Pauline Kyser LaDue: front: Barbara Fletcher Rivette.

Classes of 1934 - 1939 were also invited. Guests attending were Pauline Christoff Eskes, Catherine Palinkas Weaver, Edwin Roth, Joan Roth, Pauline Hoover, Pearl Parsons Cunningham, Grace Denny Green, Loretta JeRue, Melvin Rogers, Clark Parsons, Eileen Onan DeWolf, Doris McCaul Canfield, John Raymor and Sam Yeiter.

# LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE

FILE NO. 03-176, 228-DE Estate of HELEN C. **RUSNAK**, Deceased

TO ALL INTERESTED

### LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP **REZONING HEARING**

PLEASE BE NOTIFIED that the Lowel Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on

### Monday, October 13, 2003 at 7:00 P.M.

at the Lowell Township Hail, 2910 Alden Nash S.E., Lowell,

The following changes of zoning will be considered:

Whispering Hills Associates has requested rezoning of property located at 11627 and 11729 Fulton Street (PP# 41-20-04-401-035 and 41-20-04-401-036) Lowell, Michigan, from the current zoning classification of PUD to Commercial.

The original application and the Township zoning map may be examined at the Township hall during regular office hours. Please call 897-7600 for further information.

> Linda S. Regan, Clerk Lowell Charter Township



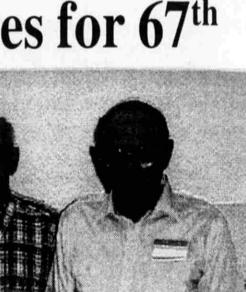
The Lowell Branch YMCA presents ...

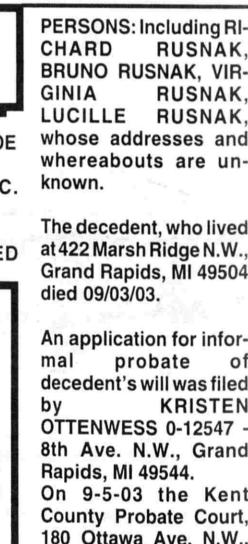
Inflatable Maze, Inflatable Caterpillar, Moon Walk, Arts & Crafts, Cotton Candy, Popcorn, Balloons, Raffle Prizes, and more!

available for a \$1 donation. One-third of the parking do-

nations are used to support the Lowell High School Future Farmers of America. For more information on

this event and the LAAC, call Michelle, Fallasburg Festival chairperson, at 897-8545.





CHARD RUSNAK. BRUNO RUSNAK, VIR-RUSNAK. GINIA LUCILLE RUSNAK. whose addresses and whereabouts are unknown.

The decedent, who lived at 422 Marsh Ridge N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49504 died 09/03/03.

An application for informal probate of decedent's will was filed KRISTEN OTTENWESS 0-12547 -8th Ave. N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49544. On 9-5-03 the Kent County Probate Court, 180 Ottawa Ave. N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49503 informally admitted the

SUSAN M. POTYRAJ (P46249) 410 Bridge St. N.W. Grand Rapids, MI 49504 (616) 454-4119

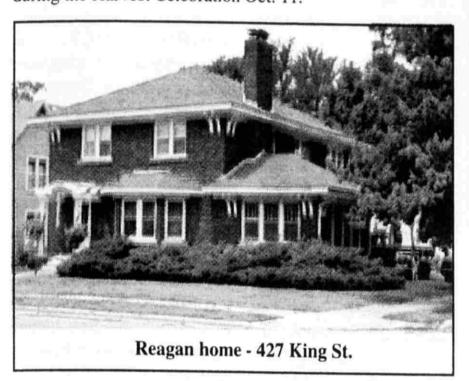


# Historic home tour coincides with Harvest Celebration

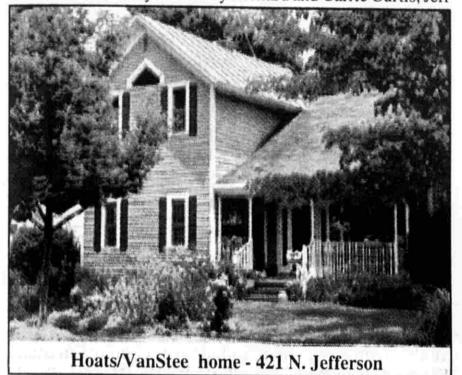
#### By J. Lobdell **Contributing Writer**

One was built in the 1880s. One was built in the 1930s One was a group home. And one has a resident ghost.

These are just a few of the tidbits of information visitors will discover at the first Lowell Historic Home Tour set to run during the Harvest Celebration Oct. 11.

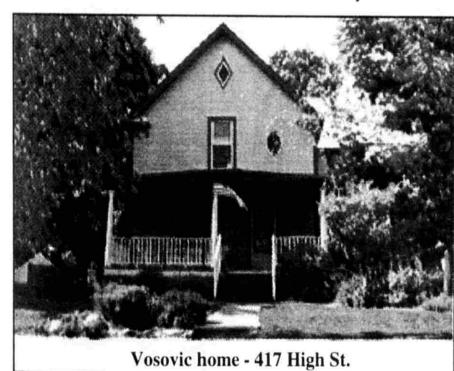


Hosted by the Lowell Area Historical Museum, the tour will showcase eight historic homes in the Lowell area. These homes are currently owned by Richard and Carrie Curtis, Jeff



and Tina Dickerman (formerly the Hill/Homolka families), Dan and Sharon Vosovic, Greg and Deb Canfield, Dr. Bob and Carol Reagan, Margaret Hoats and Sandy VanStee, Ivan and Carolyn Jane Blough, and John Sterly.

"The idea for the tour has been discussed by the board of



directors for a number of years," said museum executive director, Judy Straub.

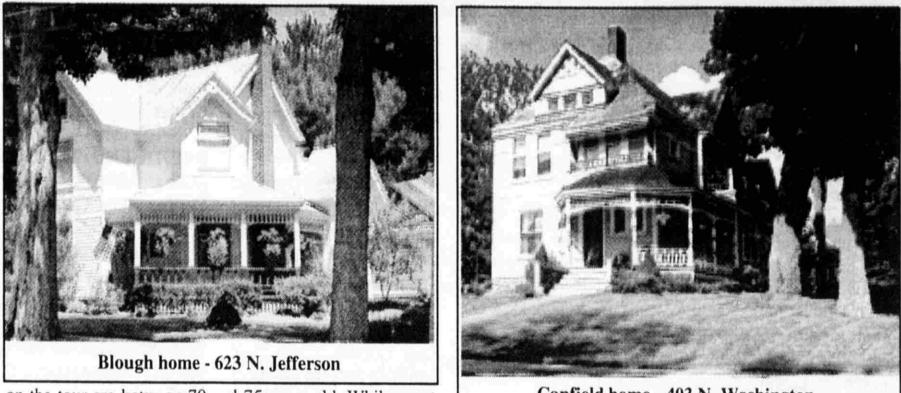
"Last year we decided we were going to do it this year," Straub said. "Then the Harvest Celebration mentioned some thing to organizations about what they were going to be doing at that event."

The tie-in was perfect, Straub said, adding that providing a historic home tour strengthened the events that would be happening that day.

From that, a committee was formed, putting together a list of criteria on home selection. "We wanted a historic flavor that was consistent to the Lowell area," Straub said. All the homes



Curtis home - 529 Avery St.

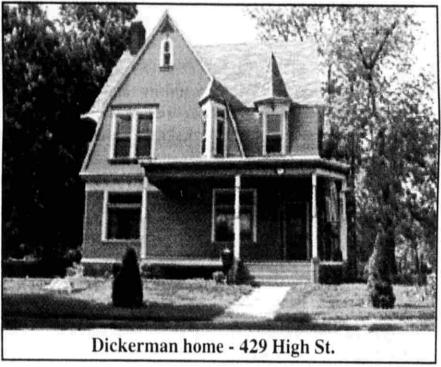


on the tour are between 70 and 75 years old. While exact construction dates are difficult to determine, one of the homes was able to date itself when newspapers from the 1800s were found during a remodeling project, she said.

Each home represents a different architectural style and design. Some of the homes still have the original detail while others have been modified very dramatically for today's living but still retain their original charm, she said.

"While gathering history on the homes, we found that there were very few owners of these homes, only three or four, which tells us they were indeed homes," Straub said. "This shows that people lived there and felt very connected to their home and their community."

The tickets for the tour are \$10, with proceeds going toward the museum's operational fund. The ticket price includes a brochure on the history of each home along with its architectural style, and other information-and yes, you'll be able to learn which home has the resident ghost.



No tickets will be sold at the homes on the day of the tour. Tickets are available at a number of locations throughout town including the Lowell Area Historical Museum, the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce, Dream Pieces, Keiser's, Springrove Variety, Huntington Bank, Touch of Country, Chimera Design, and the Lowell Buyers Guide. For more nformation, contact the Lowell Area Historical Museum at 97-7688

### NOTICE: **LOWELL PUBLIC HEALTH CLINIC TO CLOSE SEPT. 24**

We regret that due to budget constraints, the Lowell Public Health Clinic will be closing September 24.

Services provided at the Lowell Clinic will now be available full time at the Fuller Public Health Clinic, 700 Fuller N.E., ir Grand Rapids. The Fuller Clinic is located, just north of the I-196 expressway and its expanded hours offer more convenience in scheduling appointments and services.

The Kent County Health Department wishes to thank the residents of Lowell for allowing us to be a part of your community for so long. It has been our pleasure to serve vou.

www.accesskent.com/health





Canfield home - 403 N. Washington



Sterly home - 624 Riverside Dr.

# TOWNSHIP **OF GRATTAN COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN**

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING **OF THE GRATTAN TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on September 25, 2003 at 7:00 p.m., the Township of Grattan Zoning Board of Appeals ("ZBA") will hold a special meeting at the Grattan Township offices, 12050 Old Belding Road, within the Township.

At the special meeting, the ZBA will consider the application submitted by Grattan Township for an appeal seeking clarification of the ZBA's prior decision denying Landon Holding, Inc.'s application for a use variance from Section 6.02 of the Township Zoning Ordinance, which, if it had been granted, would have permitted the construction of a manufactured housing community on lands zoned in the A-Agricultural District.

Proposed minutes of the special meeting will be available at the office of the Grattan Township Clerk, 12050 Old Belding Road, within the Township, eight business days after the meeting. Approved minutes of the meeting will be available at the same address five days after the meeting at which such minutes are approved. The telephone number of the Township office is 691-8450.

This notice is given in accordance with Act 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, as amended.

Dated: September 15, 2003

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN



Notices in The Ledger's "Com- - Mothers of Preschoolers ing Events" are free of charge such notices to be kept brief Call 897-8304 for details. and to be submitted by mail, but will accept notices by SECOND TUES .: G.R. phone at 897-9261.

EVERY OTHER SUN: Plainfield Senior Center, Single adults, ages 25-50 5255 Grand River Dr. 6:30 vears, meet 4 - 5:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church of Lowell. Social 285-0621. time/ It. Bible study. Call Mark 897-8642 or Tammy TUES .: Take Off Pounds 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.

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 Street.

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:Clark-Ellis American Legion Post 152 meets at 3100 Alden Nash S.E. at 7:30 p.m.

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 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 meets at 9:30 a.m. at Schneider Manor Community Rm.

... because mothering matto any nonprofit organization ters. 9:15 - 11:30 a.m. at in the Lowell, Ada, Alto & Impact, a Wesleyan Saranac areas. We prefer Church, 1070 N. Hudson.

> Chapter of the American Sewing Guild meets at social time: 7 p.m. program. Call Sandy at

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.

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 EVERY THURS .: Pottery 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. Chil- 8 p.m. 897-9393. dren 4-7th grade. 897-5894 for details.

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

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

**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 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, 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 EVERY SECOND & Franciscan Child Development Center, 897-7842.

> Support group for Peripheral neuropathy meets at 4 p.m. at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Grand Rapids 897-9794. Special date this month. Sat., Sept. 27, 1-3 p.m.

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 at Saranac H. S. Band Room. Choir:6-7 p.m./ band:7-8 p.m. Call Kathy Maatman 897-5981 w/ questions.

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 denominational help for pregnant women / adolescents at the school: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.; Mondays: 5:30 -

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 South Alden Nash Ave. at 7 p.m.

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

Rubber stamping group at 8545. Christian Life Center 6-9 p.m. Create cards, scrapbooks, etc. Share supplies. Call Dawn 862-8841.

EVERY 3RD THURS .: Fri .: 12-1, 4:30 - 5:30 & 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 .: ter. \$10; Instructor: Lynn Royal Arch Masons regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Lowell Masonic Center, 119 Lincoln Lake, Lowell. Dinner: 6:30 p.m. 8-11 a.m. Adults: \$4;

EVERY THIRD THURS .: LaLeche League of Ada, Cascade, Lowell 6:30 p.m. benefit Lowell Airport. socializing; meeting 7 p.m. Mother-mother support for EVERY FOURTH WED .: 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. & SUN .: Averill Historical Museum of Ada, 7144 Headley open 1-4 p.m. or by appt.: 676-9346.

LOWELL AREA HIS-TORICAL MUSEUM HOURS: - Tues., Sat. & Center, 402 Amity St., non- Sun.:1-4 p.m.; Thurs., 1-8 p.m. Families: \$10; individuals \$3; ages 5-17 \$1.50; members free.

> FLAT RIVER OUT-**REACH MINISTRIES** THRIFT SHOP HOURS: Wed.- Fri. 12-6 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. 519 E. Main St. 897-2037. Watch for our weekly specials.

ENGLEHARDTLIBRARY 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. 

OPEN: COUNCIL Tues., Wed. & Fri.: noon - 5 p.m.; Thurs.: noon -7 p.m.; Sat., 1-4 p.m. 149 EVERY 3RD THURS .: S. Hudson. Call 897-

> LOWELL SERENITY CLUB MEETINGS: (AA) Mon., Wed., Thurs.: 12-1 & 8-9 p.m.; Tues./ 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.

SEPT. 23, 24, 29 & 30: Hunter Education classes, 6:15-8:30 p.m. at Look Memorial Fire Station, 315 S. Hudson. Call 897-8795 to regis-Seese.

SUN., SEPT. 28: Lowell Airport Fly -in. Breakfast children under 8: \$2. Airplane rides, balloon rides, etc. All proceeds



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

MON.: 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall. TUES.: 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall.

WED., SEPT. 17: 10 a.m. Advisory Council; 12:45 p.m. Shop Meijers

THURS., SEPT. 18: Noon Dance Westside Complex.

FRI., SEPT. 19: Noon Birthday & Anniversary; 12:45 p.m. Bingo.

MON., SEPT. 22: 12:45 p.m. Movie: Willard Scott.

TUES., SEPT. 23: 12:15 p.m. Alto School Senior Luncheon.

2ND & 4TH TUES .: MOPS

SEPT. 27 - 28: Fallasburg Fall Festival 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Fallasburg Park. Arts and crafts, food booths, entertainment all day.

OCT. 2: THURS., Vergennes Cooperative Club meets at Schneider Manor at 1 p.m. Program: Barb Briggs - China trip. Hostesses: Betty Heaston, Donna Ford, Jean Caldwell. Sponsor: Phyllis Bieri. Remember items for FROM.

FRI., OCT. 10: Homecoming Parade - Any group or business interested in participating call Kurt Kaeb at LHS 897-4125.

SAT., OCT. 11: Scarecrow Bldg. Hoedown at Lowell fairgrounds 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. Supplies provided or bring your own. Also accepting donations of very used clothing.

SAT., OCT. 11: Harvest Arts and Craft sale at Foreman Bldg. (fairgrounds). Call Ron at 897-6050 to reserve a booth.

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., SEPT. 24: 10 a.m. Advisory Council; 12:45 p.m. "How Is Your Humor Holding Up?" THURS., SEPT. 25: 8:30 a.m. Walking; 11 a.m. St. Anne's lunch. FRI., SEPT. 26: 12:45 p.m. Bingo. MON., SEPT. 29: 12:45 p.m. Cafe in the Woods and Shop the Mall.

TUES., SEPT. 30: 8 a.m. Walking; 10:30 a.m. Noel's Restaurant.

# Different perspective all new to '03 Red Arrow tennis team

The perspective from the top of O-K White is new to use those matches to go for Northview at its invitational singles) 6-4, 6-3 and Cara 6-4, 6-0. Lowell girls tennis.

The Red Arrows ended sive. last week 2-0 in the O-K White and 5-0 overall

change this week when they Wall said. "They told me they meet up with East Grand Rap- did it once and it worked. I play on Sept. 22. ids, the perennial power and told them to do it twice." favored to win yet another state tennis title, so has the coach and the club's determi- Grochowalski (third singles) 1. Mandy Gustafson w. 6-4, Spratt w. 6-3, 6-1 perspective and expectations nation that will solidify their 6-2, 6-4 against Northview as 6-2. of the Red Arrows.

sistent and good play from the girls. It's good to see. They club will tussle with Wildcats 6-2, 0-6 and 10-5 in are living up to the expecta- Northview and Unity Chris- the match tie break. tions that come with being tian for second in the league, better and with the new conceding first to the Pioneers. Jean Kimberlin (third doubles) league," said Bonnie Wall, Lowell tennis coach "It's a at the Wildcats Saturday in over their Wildcat counternew mentality for the girls. the Northview Invitational. It's only going to help us."

Arrows hammering of Cedar second, three points back at ney matchups, Mandy Springs 8-0 and Sparta 7-1. 25.

Wall pushed for the girls shots, and to be more aggres- and they turned around and Mooney and Heather Spratt 4. Haley Irwin w. 6-0, 6-0,

Becky Plummer to work on can do the same to them this singles) lost to Northview 6- w. 7-5, 6-1. While that will likely their serve and volley more," year.'

It's that pushing from their Lowell were Amanda Singles: new perspective and their new well as Becky Plummer and 2. Stevi Thompson w. 3-6, 6-"We are getting some con- position in the conference.

Realistically Wall saidher doubles) who defeated the

The Wildcats took first It did just that in the Red with 28 points and Lowell was their finals matches were tour-

beat us in the dual match," 3-6, 6-1, 10-6. "I told Kelly Koning and Wall said. "I'm hoping we Stevi Thompson (second 1. Katie Huver/Julie Geelhoed

Lowell and Northview

Earning tourney titles for Springs were: Kelly Koning (second 1, 6-0.

Rachelle Levingston and Lowell got an early look pulled out a 6-3, 2-6, 11-9 win parts

> Losing to Northview in Gustafson (first singles) 7-6.

3, 6-3 in a semifinal match.

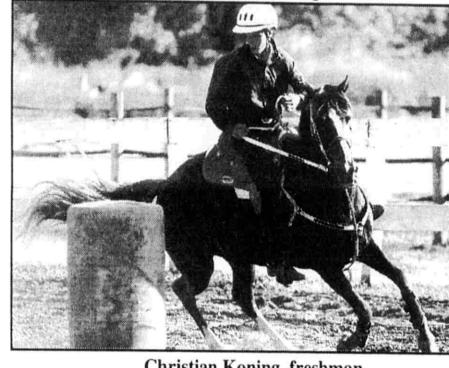
Grand Rapids.

# **Lowell Equestrian** team continues winning ways

28 riders • 3 teams A = 10 or more riders: B=5 to 10 riders C=5 OR LESS RIDERS)

### Varsity (B)

Won both of their first and second meets with a total of 411 points; they are ahead of second place Kent City by 126. High point rider was junior Kelly Foote. Other strong performances were by senior Jessica Hamp, junior Liz Foster, and sophomores Collette Benmark and Lauren VanEns.

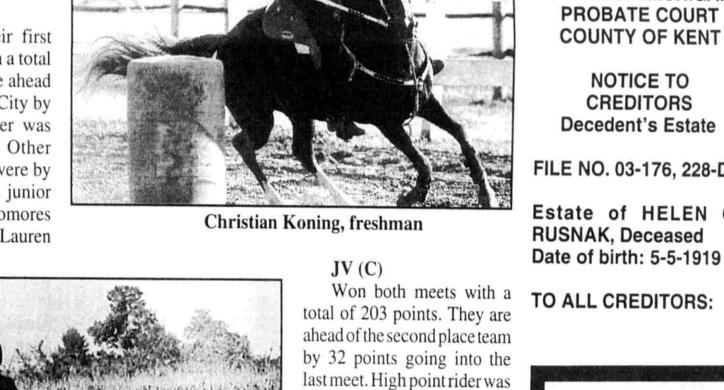


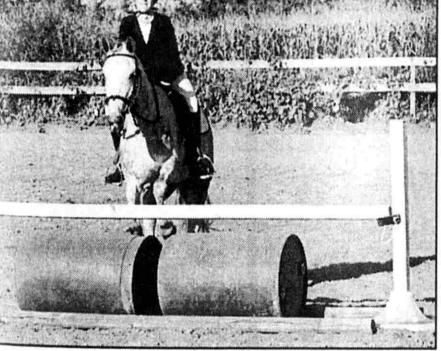
total of 203 points. They are ahead of the second place team by 32 points going into the last meet. High point rider was iunior Ashley Waldron. Other notable efforts were by junior Travis Craig and freshman essica Bouman.

The A-team is currently in second place with a total of 435 points; they trail Rockford. High point rider was freshman Genevieve Kendall. Other top point earners were sophomore Mary Mendez and freshmen Christian Koning, Lisa Nugent and Ashley VanSpronsen.

The third and final meet will be Saturday, Sept. 20 in Cedar Springs.







Hannah Cunningham, freshman

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"Last year we beat 6-1; Haley Irwin (fourth 3. Amanda Grochowalski w. Singles:

Doubles:

- The results of Lowell's 8- Plummer w. 6-1, 6-1.
  - Kimberlin w. 6-0, 6-1.
  - - Lowell 7, Sparta 1

- 1. Gunberg 1. 6-4, 7-6(3)
- 2. Thompson w. 6-1, 6-1
- 3. Grochowalski w. 6-2, 6-1. 4. Irwin w. 6-3, 6-1.
- Doubles: 2. Kelly Koning/Becky 1. Huver/Geelhoed w. 6-1, 6-
- 0 shutout against Cedar 3. Rachelle Levingston/Jean 2. Koning/Plummer w. 6-1,
  - 6-1. 4. Cara Mooney/Heather 3. Levingston/Kimberlin w. 6-0. 6-2.
    - 4. Mooney/Spratt w. 6-1, 6-4.

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### **LEGAL NOTICES**

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FILE NO. 03-176, 228-DE

Estate of HELEN C. **RUSNAK**, Deceased Date of birth: 5-5-1919

STATE OF MICHIGAN NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, HELEN C. RUSNAK, who lived at notice. 422 Marsh Ridge N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan SUSAN M. POTYRAJ died 09-03-03.

are notified that all claims (616) 454-4119 against the estate will be

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**Pioneers demolish Red Arrows** 

It was a date both teams to play in the half, on a 68ircled on their calendars.

win against Lowell on Friday Grady Jr. ... after its defense left the Red Arrows circling held Lowell to three plays and

their wagons. "My father always told me that it's during adverse times one in the stadium thought when you find out who your would be a punt from the Lowfriends are," said Lowell foot- ell 20 yard line, played out as ball coach, Noel Dean.

Big plays were not a friend to Lowell in the battle of defending state champions.

Neither was the second quarter - that's where all the to Matt Kruer, followed by a big plays occurred.

the Pioneers took their first lead of the evening, with 4:05 21-7 lead.

yard touchdown pass from East Grand Rapids' 38-9 Kyle Cunningham to Kevin

Not so fast! What everya a fake punt with disastrous consequences.

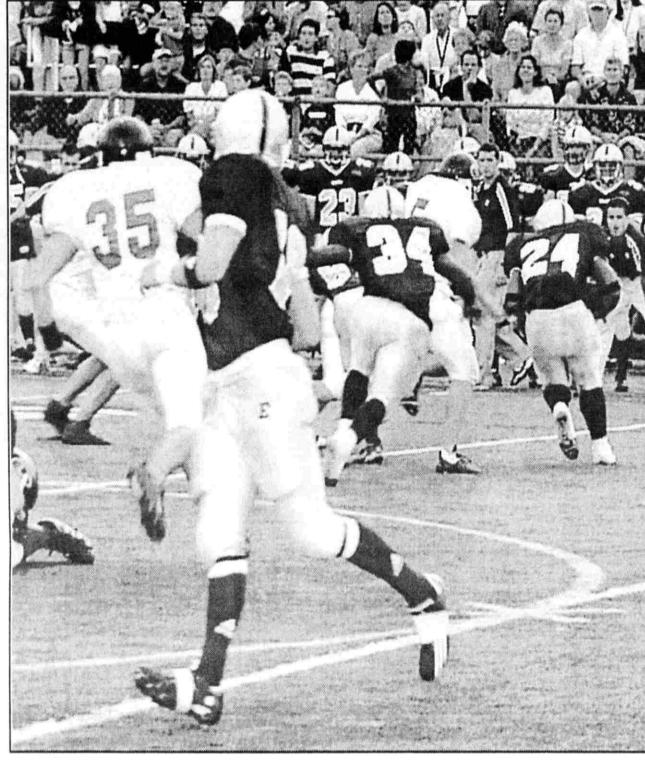
East snuffed it out, and took possession at the Lowell 26 yard line. A 25-yard pass one-yard scoring run by the With the score tied at 7-7, Michigan bound halfback (Grady), and East had itself a

Jeremy Holliman caught this pass in the flat Friday night at East Grand Rapids. The play went for eight yards. Lowell lost the game 38-9.

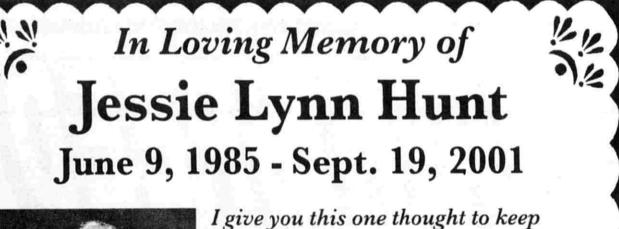


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Kevin Grady (#24) was running away from "would be" Lowell tacklers all night in EGR's win over Lowell. Grady rushed for 139 yards.



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I am with you still, I don't sleep I am a thousand winds that blow I am the diamond glint on snow I am the sunlight on ripen grain I am the gentle autumn rain When you awaken in the morning's rush I am the swift uplifting rush of quiet birds in circled flight I am the soft stars that shine at night Don't think of me as gone I am with you still in each new dawn

> We think of you in silence, We often speak your name, All we have are memories and your picture in a frame. Your memory is our keepsake from which we never part. God has you in His keeping, we have you in our hearts.

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"I was as surprised as you

were by the play," said Dean. "I am not sure how that call got made. It was a miscom-

munication. That should not have happened. It was a huge part of the game, but not the only part. How and why it happened I don't have an answer, but we'll find out when

we watch the film. I'm disappointed that it occurred." It had a steamroll effect. On the Red Arrows' next possession, the ball rolled all the way inside the Lowell five, following a missed snap where Ryan Dykhouse's attempt to recover, resulted in East fall-

One play later, it was Grady scoring his third touchdown in a two-minute span of the second quarter, giving the omestanding Pioneers a 28advantage.

ing on the ball at the one yard

Grady rushed the ball 25 times for 139 yards while catching two passes for 83 yards and scoring three touch-

East wasn't through, as it drove 44 yards in the final :25 of the first half before converting on a 35-yard field goal, taking a 31-7 lead into the locker room.

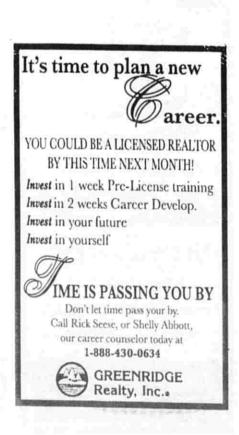
"They are a very nice club. Kevin (Grady) puts so much pressure on you to stop him that it allows so many other things to happen," Dean explained. "He applies pressure on both your offense and defense to do certain things because of what he can do. They have a quality group of players over there who have gone undefeated since the eighth grade."

The game's beginning gave no indication of what would transpire. Lowell forced East to punt from its own 37. The Red Arrows began what would be their only scoring drive of the game, from its own 28. An 11-yard completion from Dykhouse to Mike Koster, followed by a 59-yard connection with Koster and a Pioneer facemasking penalty, put the ball on the East four-yard line. Two plays later, Dykhouse hit Andrew Min on a touchdown

East Grand Rapids ran the ball for 165 yards

"Lowell had eight-nine guys in the box to stop the run - that opened up our play action pass," said Pioneer coach, Pete Stuursma. "Kevin draws the attention, but Kyle (Cunningham) had an outstanding night. What a

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# Varsity football, continued...From Page 16

playmaker. He came back af- touchdowns and one intercepter that interception in the first tion. quarter and made great throws and plays."

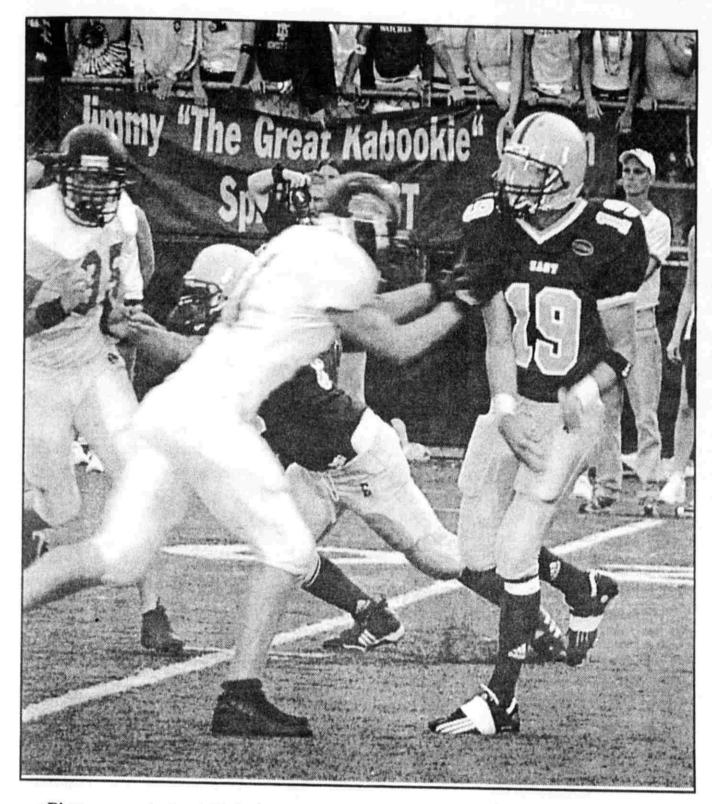
297 yards connecting on 15- get hurt in that fourth quar- touchdown strike. of-26 attempts including three ter."

Dean confirmed. "I was hold- Cunningham hooked up Cunningham threw for ing my breath that he didn't

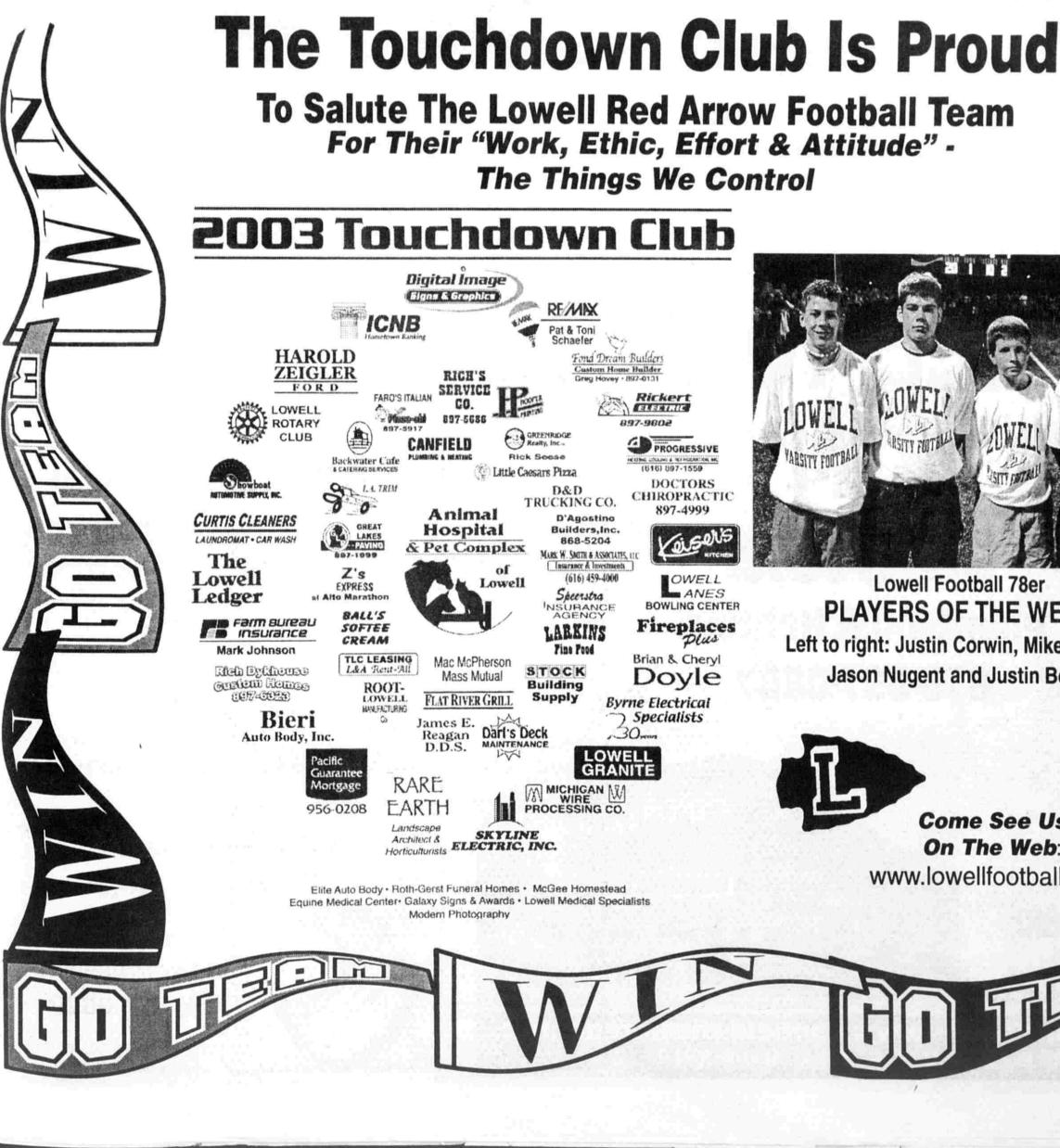
The Pioneers' last score came with 5:59 to play in "He had a quality game," the third quarter when with Kruer for a 33-yard

The tandem was also responsible for EGR's first score could only muster 71 yards of the game ; that touchdown pass covered 47 yards.

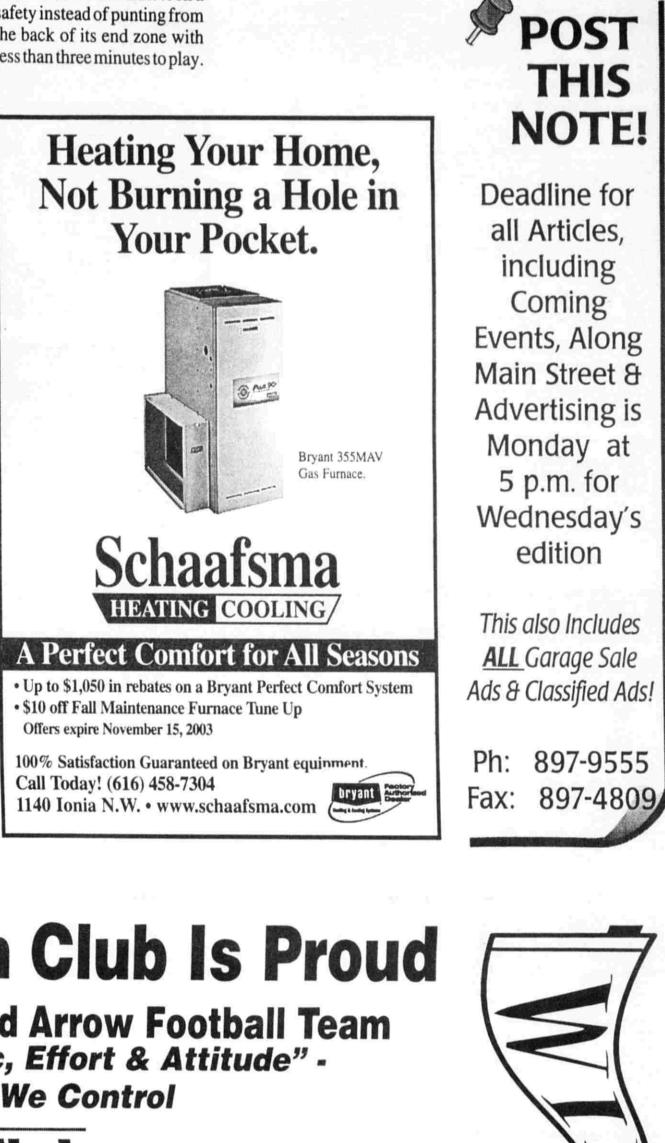
points came when East took a safety instead of punting from the back of its end zone with less than three minutes to play.



Pioneer quarterback Kyle Cunningham not only got the ball away just in time but his throws were also on the money.



The game's final two yards.



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Lowell's ground game while through the air, the Red Arrows were 10-of-27 for 133

Lowell, 2-1, now prepares for its first home game of the season against Kenowa Hills Friday night.

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Lowell Football 78er PLAYERS OF THE WEEK Left to right: Justin Corwin, Mike Kinsley, Jason Nugent and Justin Boss.

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# Red Arrow girls earn season's first win at Rockford

Lowell girls basketball team, losers of opening games to Belding and Byron Center elected to pass that frustration onto Rockford.

a full court press, frustrated the Rams into turnovers and with a 45-39 nonconference well

us," said Rockford coach, a row-that was in jeopardy Vince Vogg. "Our turnovers Tuesday night." I never really turned into points for Low- thought about it and it was

comfortably against the Lowell press. "We haven't seen a their six-for-16 shooting from pressing team yet this year," the line against Byron Center. Vogg said. "However, this is The Red Arrows improved only our second game of the upon that against the Rams,

Lowell's offense dis- 14) of its foul shots. played sharper movement off

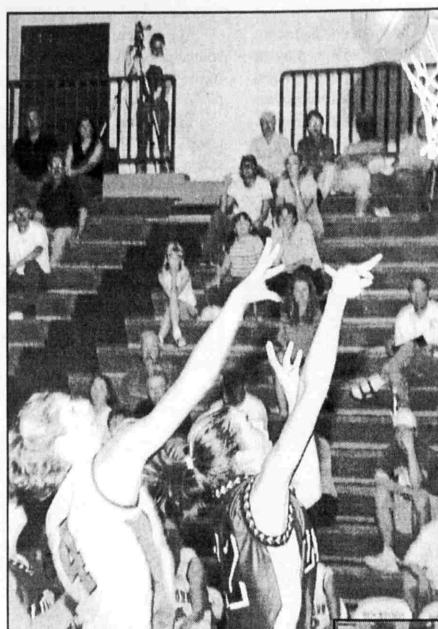
the ball, better penetration and better interior passing.

"Offensively this was our best night," said Lowell girls basketball coach, Dee The Red Arrows, behind Crowley. "We got some penetration and that opened up some shots on the perimeter. mistakes as Lowell came away The girls also rotated the ball

A Crowley-coached Low-"The turnovers just killed ell team has never lost three in never discussed with the The Rams never executed girls," Crowley noted.

What was discussed was netting 50 percent (seven-for-

After a slow start, which



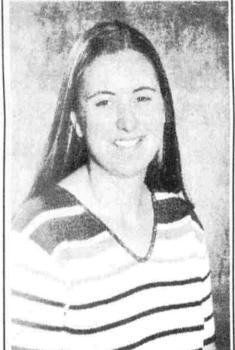
saw Lowell fall behind by as Gallert, Vallen Van Zyll and after one period of play.

Devon Collins sparked points. Collins has been two at 33-31. Lowell's most consistent offensive threat in the opening points. hree games.

She has a huge advantage be- this week. cause other teams key on Keni

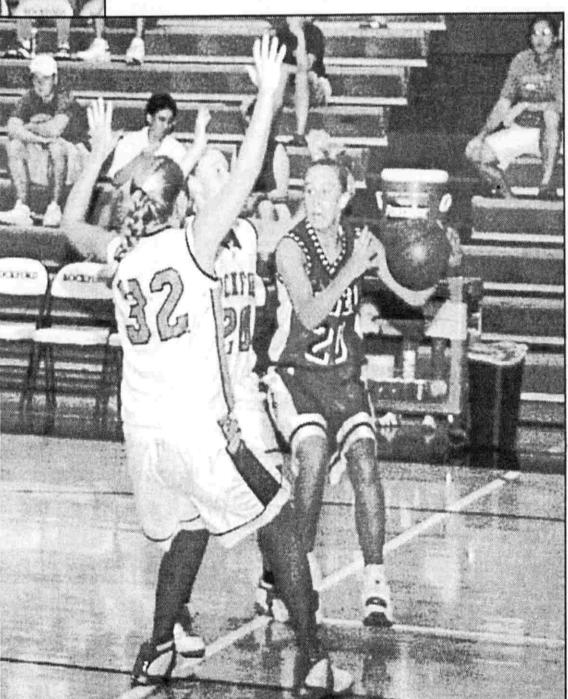
At left, Lowell's Amy Oberlin works inside her Rockford defender for an easy bucket.

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cutting Red Arrow.



many as six, the Red Arrows Amy Oberlin because they rallied to within one (13-12) played significant minutes last year," Crowley said. Gallert finished with 10,

Lowell on the offensive end including a huge three-point in the opening 16 minutes. shot in the second half after The junior scored 8 of her 11 Rockford had pulled to within Oberlin tallied seven

Lowell, 1-2, plays Cedar "Devon has played well. Springs and Kenowa Hills

Vallen Van Zvll looks to make a bounce pass to a



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# Strong showings at Sparta highlight week in cross country

teams traveled to Cedar ners up there with them." Springs where they posted against the Spartans.

feated Sparta 26-30 while the places five through seven. lady Arrows came home with a 26-29 win.

close race," said Lowell cross to finish. country coach, Clay

Lowell cross country get our fourth and fifth run- course in 18:42, finishing

Lowell's boys claimed The Red Arrow boys de- tered three runners together in 17:20.

points apart (17-19 in favor of respectively with times of in a time of 21:08. "It was a competitive, Lowell) with one runner left 17:23 and 17:40.

Lowell's fifth runner, stopped the clock in 17:59 to fifth, 21:39; Ashley Greanup, VanderWarf. "It was hot, but Chris Gallagher stopped the finish eighth. our top three runners did as clock in 18:21, placing ninth, ... run in a pack. Our goal is to Josh Taylor came off the available).



**Cumberland Retirement Village is currently** 

Lowell City Hall, Second Floor, 301 E. Main Street, Lowell, Michigan for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on the following:

- An Ordinance to amend Section 4.07 of Chapter 4, "Fences and walls" of the Zoning Ordinance of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell.
- An Ordinance to amend Section 4.08 of Chapter 4, "Accessory building and uses hard surface driveways for new or expanded construction" of the Zoning Ordinance of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell.

Copies of the proposed Ordinances are available for public inspection during normal business hours (8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday) at City Hall and at the Englehardt Public Library during scheduled hours Monday through Saturday.

Interested persons may submit written comments to City Hall, 301 E. Main Street, Lowell, MI 49331 prior to the meeting or appear in person.



Betty R. Morlock. City Clerk City of Lowell 11th.

near matching victories three of the top five spots and in victory was Steve Ellison, Huizenga was 10th in a time country team came in second then hung on as Sparta clus- second overall, with a time of of 22:31.

we have emphasized all year while Sparta's fifth harrier, took top honors (time not Rodgers, ninth in 22:18.

17:56 followed by Eric Stoulen, sixth, 17:57, and Zach Kurch, seventh, 17:58.

Arrow girls as she came home in 21:35 placing her second.

Abbie Debiak, 21:38, were third and fourth respectively.

Erin Beddows led the Red

Sarah Swab, 21:37, and

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Brittany Dietz, Lowell's fourth harrier home, recorded Leading the Red Arrows a time of 21:43 while Erica field, the Lowell boys cross

Sparta received a medal-Scott Riddle and Mitch ist performance from Carrie The two clubs were two Solon were third and fourth Debski as the Spartan handed ney winning Bulldogs were

She was followed by Red Arrow Eric Schumm teammates Ashley Bowen, placed third with 85. sixth, 21:41; Chelsea Miller, Sparta's A.J. McConnell eighth, 22:15; and Sara

Spartan Tom Anderson job. I couldn't ask any more 24th, 17:57 and Jon Riddle, came home in fifth at a time of of them," VanderWarf said.

Sparta Invitational behind Grandville.

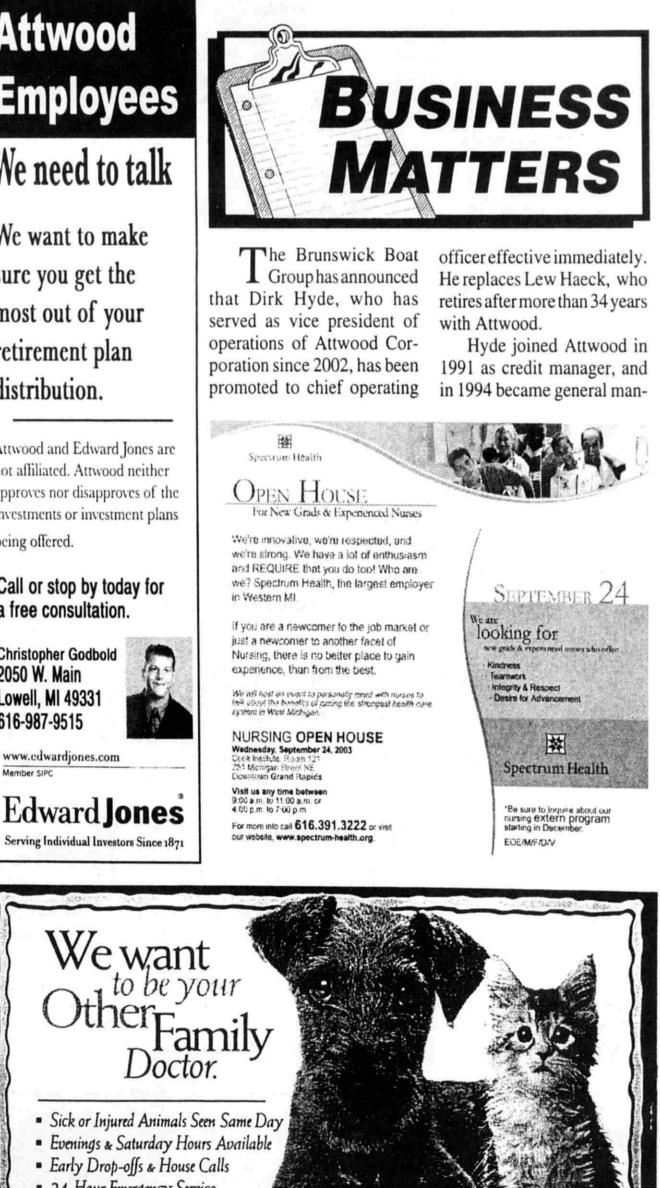
with 81 points while the tourfirst with 61 points.

The Red Arrows' top five harriers were Steve Ellison, fifth, 17:05; Scott Riddle, 10th, 17:15; Mitch Solon, "The girls also did a great 16th, 17:40; Eric Schumm, 26th, 18:02.

## **Frosh stomp Pioneers**

Hosting the East Grand half. The Pioneers led at half-Rapids Pioneers, the Lowell time, 22-16. Red Arrow freshman team came out on top with an im- be all Red Arrows as a strong pressive score of 38-22. Both defense held the Pioneers offenses moved the ball scoreless. The Red Arrow time: 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. quickly and easily in the first

The second half proved to



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"To run in a race against In a formidable 13-team such quality competition makes finishing second just outstanding," Vander Warf said. "The girls also did great The Red Arrows finished finishing a respectable fifth."

fifth (151) placing behind Rockford 26, Grandville 37, Rockford's "B" team FHNorthern 105, and FHCentral 116.

> Lowell's top five times were recorded by Sarah Swab, 19th, 20:54; Brittany Dietz, 25th, 21:31; Abbie Debiak. 30th, 21:41: Erin Beddows. 33rd, 21:50; and Erica

offense ended the game with over 300 yards rushing. The freshman and JV teams travel to Kenowa Hills this Thursday, Sept. 18; game

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The Red Arrow girls were

Huizenga, 45th, 22:30.

# Win over Petoskey highlights Lowell's fast start

With a 6-0-1 record, Lowell boys soccer team would ell opened up its conference has surprised me a little." have to be considered among play by blitzing Cedar Springs the area's best.

Red Arrow coach, Paul Legge says his club is still best team I've coached in climbing the mountain.

a great start and I think we Legge explained. "Yes, Sam Jim Jastifer with six goals. peaked too early. This year's (Oberlin) is getting the num- Hanson and Zach Horan each club realizes where they could bers, but we're getting contribe in a month and is working bution from Zach (Ligman), Hawks. hard to get there," Legge said.

dence booster on Saturday ers on this team who can and done an excellent job of with a 4-0 nonconference win are scoring for us." at Petoskey, a state semifinalist last year.

huge for us. We've lost the Jousma creased the net three us," Legge explained. previous two years to times. Single goals were de-Petoskey," Legge said.

of Lowell's goals while Sam Oberlin and Zach Ligman two games, we're playing a take Lowell one step closer to each tallied a goal.

Earlier in the week, Low- fresh," Legge said. "Our depth 7-1 and Sparta 10-0.

"Offensively, this is the Lowell. We're getting goals "Last year we got off to from a lot of different people," times. The record is held by Andy (Jousma) and Shane Lowell got a big confi- (Stokes). There are many play- been strong. "Zach Horan has

recorded two more goals, Ben takes charge on the field and "To go up there and win is Hanson netted two and is doing an excellent job for livered by David Kropf, conference game of the year

lot of people, keeping things the mountain's top.

In Lowell's win over Cedar Springs, Oberlin came within a goal of tying a school single game scoring record as the senior creased the net five added a goal against the Red

Lowell's defense has also sweeping for us. He's also a Against Sparta, Oberlin vocal leader, someone who

The Red Arrows' biggest Shane Stokes netted two Ligman and Matt D'Agostino. was scheduled for Tuesday "With the exception of against EGR. A win would

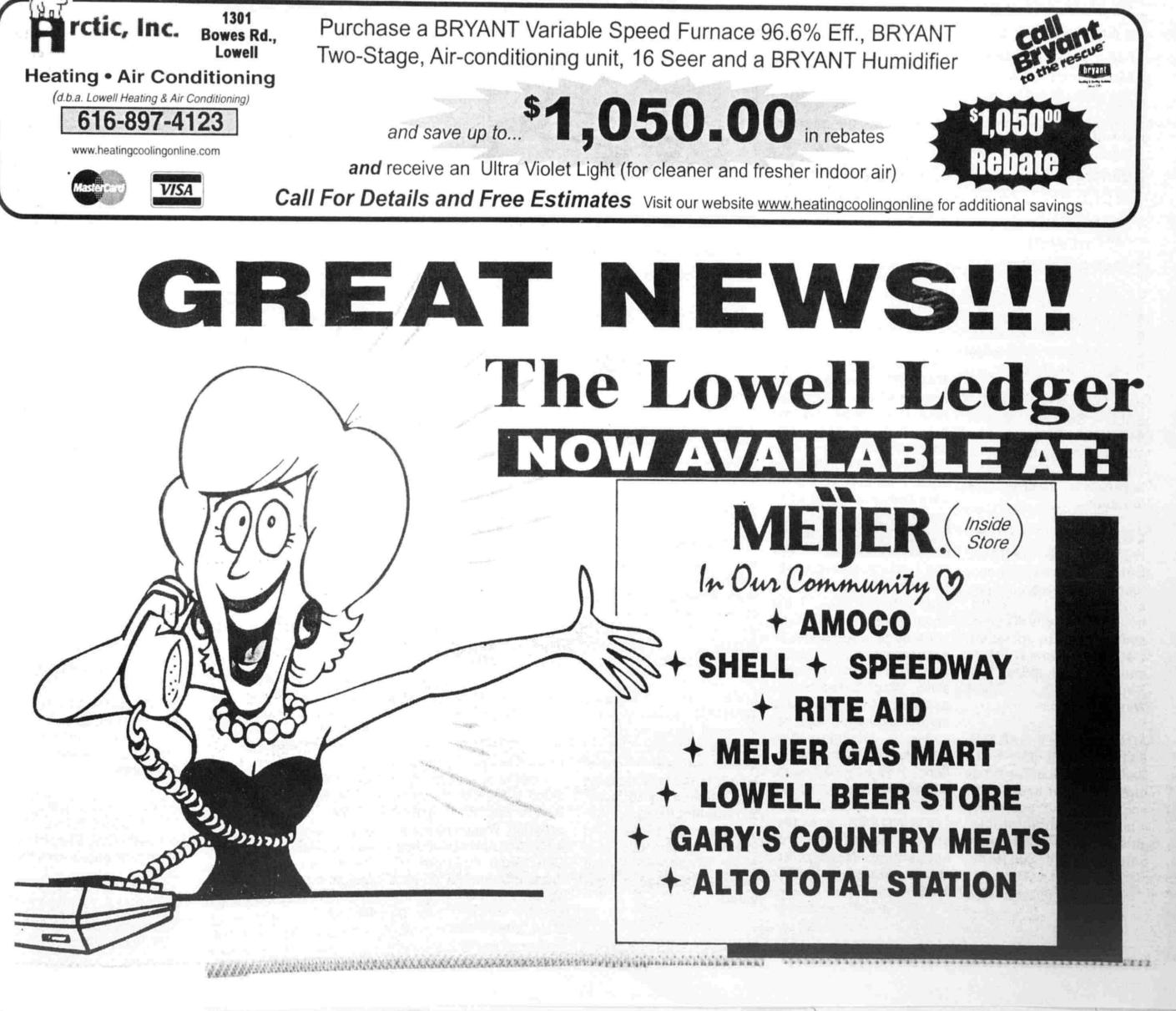
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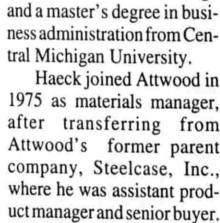
be the last plants in the land- sandy soil or if they're al- limited roots and so generally Watering equipment for scape to show signs of drought ready stressed by insect at- need more frequent watering trees isn't fancy or specialstress during dry summer tack, compacted soil or re- than established trees, she ized. All you need is a garden weather, but that doesn't mean stricted roots. that they don't need regular watering.

your lawn and garden, trees more clay," McLellan ex- ter applied to the planting hole to measure the applied water. need about an inch of water plains. "Stressed trees may carved out of the clay may fill per week, says Mary tolerate drought less well than the loosened soil in the hole hose, just place it on the ducerunoff is to apply several Make sure, however, the McLellan, Extension master healthy trees and require wa- and be slow to move into the ground near the tree and let inches of mulch over the roots mulch does not lap up against gardener program coordina- tering to survive the added clay around it. Tree roots need water trickle into the soil until of trees and shrubs. Piling the trunk. This can promote

Healthy, mature trees may they're growing on light, Newly planted trees have rated soil will die.

notes. It is possible, however, hose. If you want to water the inches every two weeks dur-"Water runs through to overwater newly planted lawn around the tree, add a ing dry weather should wet is it eliminates the need to sandy soil quicker, so they trees, especially those set into sprinkler to the hose and a the soil well down into the mow close to tree trunks," Like the other plants in dry out faster than soils with slow-draining clay soils. Wa- coffee can placed near the tree root zone. tor at Michigan State Univer- stress of dry weather," she oxygen as well as water, and the soil is wet to a depth of 8 shredded bark, wood chips or rodent and insect damage to those that remain long in satu- inches. The water should soak other mulch so that it's higher the bark.





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Lowell's Zach Ligman sets up to score against Sparta. Lowell triumphed, 10-1.

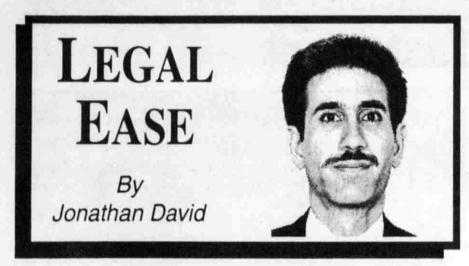
in rather than run off.

under the tree's canopy. Two near the plant.

around the outer edge than in Set a sprinkler near the the center forms a sort of batree and set it to water the area sin to catch and hold water

"Another benefit of mulch McLellan observes. "It also A good way to make wa- discourages weed growth McLellan says to use a tering more efficient and re- around ornamental plants."

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to them from the trust.

Although there are generic legal forms available which can be used to create a trust, I would not recommend using them. If you are concerned about costs, I am sure there are plenty of attorneys out there who would be willing to work with you and allow for the payment of their services over a period of time which fits within your budget.

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HUGE GARAGE SALE 9148 84th St. between McCords & Vincent Ave. Fri. & Sat., Sept. 19 & 20, 9-5 p.m. We're downsizing small dresser, end tables, our household contents, washer, 1990 Bonneville & lots of knick-knacks, floral arrangements, mens work uniforms, bedding & more.

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GARAGE SALE - Sept. 18 & 19, 9-5 p.m. 13534 Forest River Dr. Take Lincoln Lake to Vergennes to Flat River to Forest River.

MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE - Sept. 20, 9 a.m. 919 E. Main St. Lots of kids clothes & equipment, exerequipment. cise lawnmower, electronics & furniture.

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WANTED - House or land on Murray Lake. Will consider all calls. Also will look at life lease for older person. Call 897-0686 and leave message.

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In memory of our sister JUDITH ANN MORRIS (STEVENS)

> who passed away three years ago this month.

Judy you are missed very much by your brother, and two sisters! Mike Stevens (Albug., NM) Julie Braun (Grand Rapids, Mi) Mary Vezino (Lowell, Mi)

### In memory of my daughter Judith Ann Morris(Stevens) who passed away three years ago this

month. You are greatly missed.

I love you with all my heart. Mom

Norma Stevens (Albug., NM)

### CARD OF THANKS

We, the family of our beloved mother, Mildred R. Stauffer would like to extend our appreciation to all of those dear friends and family who please. \$400 - \$420 per graciously gave your prayers, love and support during this very trying time. A special thanks is in order for the excellent care and compassion given by the staff at both Cumberland Manor and Laurels of Kent, especially Dr. Joan Miedema, giving much comfort to Mom when she needed it most. Also to Rev. Dean Bailey, who generously gave of his time and guidance and the dedicated ladies of Bowne Methodist Center Church who are always there to provide a wonderful luncheon.

> Sincerely Kelvin & Mindy Potter Jim Potter & Mary Ron & Lois Heffron

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