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## Sunny fall days and bluegrass at musical fallfest

By Dan Schneider

The sun was high, hot for September, up in a blue sky and shining on the field of scattered parked campers where the sound of someone plucking a banjo lazied around in the late morning.

This was the view at the Kent County 4-H fairgrounds Saturday. It was almost noon and just about time for the second day of the West Michigan Bluegrass Music Association's Fallfest to get under way. A banjo—or a fiddle or mandolin—might sound unusual this far north but the organizers of Fallfest figure the bluegrass tradition goes back in Michigan to at least the late 1960s.

"Bluegrass has been growing in Michigan for probably the last 30 years," said Jim Elliott, vice president of the association. "It started growing in Michigan and it's been growing ever since."

For some of the musicians at Fallfest—the three-day festival featured nine bands, most playing multiple sets—bluegrass goes back farther. Norm Blumke, 63, plays guitar with the Apple Blossom Bluegrass Band and was a founding member of the West Michigan Bluegrass Music Association. He grew up in Alanson, Michigan.

"Kinda displaced for bluegrass," he said.

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The Apple Blossom Bluegrass Band played Saturday at Fallfest 2003. Left to right: Ben Crofoot on mandolin, Paul Pope on banjo, Jim Demel on bass, Norm Blumke on guitar and Mike Blumke on fiddle.

## New company eyes vacant Family Fare store for retail business

The former Family Fare store, located at 2153 W. Main St., appears to have a new tenant and a new purpose. Tractor Supply Company presented plans to the Lowell Planning Commission at its regular meeting Monday night to move into about two-thirds of the building, leaving the remaining space for another tenant.

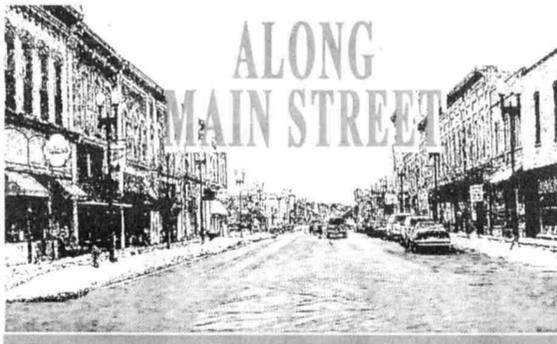
City manager, David Pasquale said the company is not seeking to make any changes to the building; however, it is seeking to add a 20,000 square foot accessory structure that would be fenced in with a chain link fence and barbed wire on top. Pasquale noted the use of barbed wire would be permissible under the city's ordinance for security purposes. The outdoor facility would house various products including fertilizers, lawn mowers, and other

items used outdoors.

The fencing would serve twofold: besides serving as security, it would help provide convenient viewing of the items to the customers, Pasquale said. "I saw one of these tractor supply businesses when I was in western New York and I saw where the equipment was left outside," Pasquale said. "I thought then I wouldn't want to see anything like that here."

A question did arise as to whether the accessory building fell under "open air" business. Pasquale said city staff ruled it out since it would be in a confined area with a fence and not left out in the open. The only issue city staff had with the accessory building was that it had to meet the city setback of 17 1/2 feet from the road. Mark Thomas, architect for the

New business, cont'd., pg. 3



**FALLASBURG FALL FESTIVAL THIS WEEKEND**  
 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Fallasburg Park. Arts and crafts, food booths, entertainment all day.

### LOWELL CABLE TV PRESENTS ...

A video of the Fallas Cubs vs. Kent Base Ball Club, "1860's vintage baseball - the way it was supposed to be played" on Channel 20: Wednesday, 3 p.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; and Saturday, 12 noon.

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST AT LOWELL AIRPORT

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

### NEEDED: STRING INSTRUMENTS

The String Orchestra program at Lowell Middle School is in need of string instruments. If you have a violin, viola, cello or string bass to donate, call Linda Warren at 897-9222.

### ROLL AWAY OFFERS TO "SIT" KIDS

On Sunday, Sept. 28, you can drop off your kids at Roll Away Family Fun Center between 12-6 p.m. for only \$5 while you visit the Fallasburg Fall Festival. Call Bob at 897-0001 for more information.

### SPLENDOR IN THE SKY

Lowell Area Arts Council and the Grand Rapids Amateur Astronomical Association are co-sponsoring an exhibit from Sept. 30 - Nov. 1. at the arts council gallery. A public reception will be held on Oct. 3 from 7-8:30 p.m. followed by a tour of the Veen Observatory. Also free educational workshops (telescopes, film astrophotography basics and outdoor lighting) will be offered Oct. 25. To register or for more information, call 897-8545.

### 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).

### MUSEUM OFFERS ACTIVITIES WORKSHOP

Lowell Area Historical Museum will once again host a workshop for children 8-12 years old. This fall's event will feature Native American activities. Cost is \$7 and includes lunch. Call Judy at 897-7688 for registration form or pick one up at school. Deadline is Oct. 14.

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**SOUND OFF!...**

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## OBITUARIES

**MCCARTY** - William C. McCarty Sr., aged 91, of Lake Odessa, passed away early Thursday morning, September 18, 2003, at Thornapple

Manor. Bill was born in Lowell on July 6, 1912, to Leon J. McCarty and Catherine E. (Philo) McCarty. He retired from the U.S. Army in 1972 with the

rank of Sergeant First Class after 27 years of service spanning WWII, the Korean War, and the Viet Nam War. Among his many commendations, Bill was awarded the Silver Star. He is survived by Agnes (Van Heiden), his loving wife of 63 years; children Beverly McCarty of Lee's Summit, Mo., Cynthia

Swigert of Waynesville, Mo., Daniel McCarty of Holden, Mo., Margaret (Danny) Medley of Fleming, Mo., Thomas (Sue) McCarty of Bellevue, William McCarty Jr. of Newburg, Mo., Linda (George) Wheeler of Waynesville, Mo., Catherine (Howard) Goodman of Dixon, Mo., and Marlene McLemore

of Ft. Worth, Texas; brother Clare McCarty of Calif., 16 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren. Bill was preceded in death by his brother Leon Jack McCarty; sister Jane Keranen; granddaughter Laura Lea Walters; and great-grandson Ahmad Qawash. A graveside service

with military honors will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 26 at Oakwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family has suggested that memorial contributions be made to the Jackson-Mutschler VFW Post #4461 in Lake Odessa or to Thornapple Manor.

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### Many hands make light work

There were 36 volunteers for the Flat River Outreach Ministries who met Saturday to make approximately 150 cherry, apple and blueberry pies which will be sold at the Fallasburg Fall Festival this weekend. Proceeds will fund the Food Pantry and Emergency Services.



### KEITH KREY

09/07/85 - 09/25/02

Never to be forgotten

Keith, not one day goes by that you're not thought of or prayed for. I remember back in September you were listening to music on the computer. I walked in and you said, look what I got!" Then you flipped open your wallet to show me your Soulfly & Tool tickets. As if you thought I'd really want them. I'd laugh and you'd beg me to just listen to ONE song. So I did, even though I hated the music. Now I can't stop listening to it! You used to tell me I didn't know your friends and you'd take time to tell me things about them. You were right, and each one is unique and special. Your friends have shown so much love and devotion for you.

Your drawings have become works of art on many friends including your dad. Keith, your energy flowed through all of us and our world was brighter because of you. You touched lives of people who barely knew you and people who didn't know you at all. I don't think anyone could have been unhappy when they hung around with you. You have a great smile and sense of humor that made it impossible not to smile in your presence. You memory will live on forever and as we live this nightmare God will carry us through. God bless you and keep you safe and happy till we are together again.

We love you with all our hearts and souls.  
Mom, Dad, Grandma Winnie, Kurt, Ryan, Kristyn  
many friends & relatives

### Museum hosts Native American workshop

The Lowell Area Historical Museum will once again be hosting an activities workshop for children between the ages of 8 and 12 years. This Fall's event will feature Native American activities: Flint knapping, dream catchers, totem pole carving and Inuitsuit or Inuit stone markers.

Children will learn by actually doing some of the activities that were part of everyday Native American life.

A lunch of wild rice stew, cornbread, cider or pineapple tea and pumpkin dessert will be included in the registration price of \$7.

Registration forms may be

picked up in the school office or by calling museum director, Judy Straub at 897-7688. Deadline for signing up is Oct. 14.

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By DAVID STOWERS

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## Bluegrass, continued...From Page 1

"It's a long way from Kentucky."

But he grew up listening to bluegrass radio broadcasts out of Chicago and Cincinnati. He learned guitar from a fellow sailor in the Navy. He moved to Grand Rapids shortly after the Navy and finally got some bluegrass going there around 1990 at a pizzeria on the northeast side of town.

"When we started this thing I fell in with a guy named Floyd Norvell," Blumke said. Norvell was a real old-time Kentucky bluegrass man. "We used to go to Lena Lou's and jam on Sundays."

Those jam sessions led to the forming of the association and their first festival in 1995 at a campground in Ravenna. They've had two festivals a year since then, moving the festival to Lowell for the first time this May.

"The campground we had in Ravenna was fine but we didn't have the potential to grow there," said Terry

Donaker, president of the association. "Out here we have the potential to expand, and the support of the Lowell community so far has just been fantastic."

The festival opened Saturday with the Thunderfloor Cloggers dancing, stomping and twirling in red and white on a stars-and-stripes stage. Brought over from Europe by the British, clogging has become part of the barn dancing culture associated with bluegrass music.

"Every country in Europe has a form of clogging except Switzerland," said clogging instructor, Bob Warner. "This dance is older than our country."

The festival stresses the old-time bluegrass tradition, but the band 23 is looking to create a more modern bluegrass.

"If you take this bluegrass sound and kind of twist it toward a blues angle, kind of shade it like sunglasses," said upright-bass player Robert

Nelson, 48. "We're a little bit more towards a modern sound."

By the time the sun was just about going down, the Saline Fiddlers were taking the stage. A group of 32 high school musicians from Saline, Mich., the Fiddlers are exactly the kind of musicians the Bluegrass Association wants to encourage.

"If we can't get the young people involved, bluegrass is just going to die again," Donaker said. "So we really push for the young people."

The Saline Fiddlers have been around for nine years. Its musicians start learning the violin in the fifth grade, auditioning for the band once they get to high school. They have played the White House twice,

Scotland twice, and will tour Europe next summer.

"What we really like is we've got a lot of young people getting into bluegrass," said Jim Fowler, an association board member. "Some of these younger talents that are coming up are just phenomenal."

By the time the fiddlers were finishing their set, the

sun was down. Musicians were in the parking lot jamming around upright basses. People were singing. Some of the Thunderfloor Cloggers were dancing by firelight to music played on recorder and dulcimer.

The whole scene was looking like old-time acoustic America.

## New uniforms for the majorettes & color guard

by Dan Schneider

The Red Arrow Band majorettes and color guard wore new uniforms for Friday night's football game against the Kenowa Hills Knights.

"We thought we could use a new look," said Alyssa Coffey, a junior majorette who has been twirling a baton since the age of four.

The new uniforms, the first in four years, were paid

for by the Lowell High School Music Boosters.

The color guard's new look was easy enough to create.

"We just bought the material and made them," said Nancy Raymor.

Raymor, who helps her husband, Terry, coach both the majorettes and the color guard, sewed the latter's uniforms herself.

The majorettes' uniforms proved more of a challenge as the company originally slated to make them went out of business before completing the uniforms, requiring a parent of a majorette, Tammy Coffey, to scramble to find someone else to make them.

Coffey found a seamstress in Cedar Springs who had the uniforms ready in time for the majorettes to wear in the Alto parade. Friday was their first football game donning the new uniforms.



The Red Arrow majorettes and color guard at last Friday's game against Kenowa Hills.

## New business, continued...From Page 1

project, said his clients were willing to meet that requirement by just reducing the size of the structure. This would

leave all 193 parking spaces intact; the store requires 137.

The planning commission approved the accessory building in a 5-1 vote with chairman, Clark Jahnke voting against the proposal. Commissioners Jim Hall and Deb Hinton were absent.

The Tractor Supply Company, which first started as a mail order service in 1938 and

then became a store in Minot, North Dakota in 1939, is one of the largest retail and farm chains in the United States. According to the company's website, the store offers products for both homeowners and farmers ranging from feed, fencing, mowers, tools, work clothing, and other items to help care for a backyard or "back 40."

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# Reflections Of Faith

Dr. Roger La Warre  
First Congregational Church

There is a prayer that St. Paul shares with the people of the churches to whom he is writing. This prayer is found in Ephesians the first chapter: (I pray) ... that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, the eyes of your understanding be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope of His calling ... Eph. 1:17-18a

This passage is particularly important as we reflect on the negotiations between teachers and our boards of education for Lowell and those communities around us. We look for the "spirit of wisdom and revelation" to be with all who make decisions on behalf of our children. For, we know that it is our children and the education that they receive that must be uppermost in our minds and in the minds of board members and teachers equally. The negotiations that are taking place must be done in an atmosphere of "understanding" and "enlightenment."

No one benefits when an attempt to resolve a very important and critical issue so divides those involved that lines are drawn between "we" and "they." This issue of public education and the uniting of board people, educational staff, and community must not break down to become a stand-off, or worse, an adversarial contest powered by personal pride and egotism.

"That you may know the hope of God's calling" is the prayer that Paul brings to us so that we might focus our thinking and our acting based on the calling to Love and support one another as we deal with the knotty problems that face us and the educational systems of this town, this nation. That education is truly a community responsibility, not just a teacher's or board's responsibility, is evidenced in a statement made by a parent after visiting his child's educational facilities: "The challenge of working for the best public education possible is a multifaceted task. We must strive for proper funding, as well as engage students in programs that build self-esteem; we must support educators—helping to offset the burnout that can so readily manifest itself in the profession—as well as assist parents in their interaction with the schools and their children's educational process."

The "hope of God's calling" is truly the vision that moves us forward in addressing hard issues. It is time that we, as Christians through this community, flex our knees to be in prayer as well as to be on the move to give our support to all who know the calling of God as one that puts them squarely in

the middle of the educational issues of our community. It is time that we, the parents and youth of this community, draw together in all places of worship to seek the "wisdom and revelation" of God that will teach us how to build and maintain systems of trust and mutuality in the midst of working for the best educational environment for our children, our teachers, our board of education members and ourselves. We can do this as we work in the knowledge of God's love and lordship for all. What do you think?

Prayer: Lord, God, Eternal Spirit, as we prepare to reason together about the concerns before us as a community and as those called of You, grant us hearts open to the leading of Your Spirit and to one another. Let us hear our brothers' and sisters' deepest yearnings and call forth from within us compassionate spirits to see one another's good as our own. In Christ Jesus we pray. Amen!

## Fall wedding planned



Jim E. Fridsma and Shelley M. Yeiter

An October 11, 2003 wedding is planned by Shelley M. Yeiter of Clarksville and Jim E. Fridsma of Grand Rapids.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Lakewood High School and Central Michigan University. She is the daughter of Jim and Shirley Yeiter of Clarksville. The future groom is a graduate of Grand Rapids Christian High School. He is the son of Jim and Linda Fridsma of Grand Rapids.

## VOWS SPOKEN



Douglas and Brenda Wunder

Brenda Bittrick and Douglas Wunder were joined in marriage on the beach in Escanaba on the beautiful sunny day of July 12, 2003.

Maid of honor was Sarah Matczyn, good friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Erin LaPointe of Chicago, and Kimberly Spriggs of Detroit.

Best man was Jerry Plourde, longtime friend of the groom. Other groomsmen were Richard Stannard and Tom Wellman, nephews of the groom. Brett and Brandon Bittrick, brothers of the bride,

were ushers. Brandon was home on leave from the Marines in Japan, and Brett sang an original song and played the guitar.

To unite the families, rather than a unity candle, the bride and groom poured beach sand from parents' containers into a vessel.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her mother, Diana Bittrick of Lowell and her father, Barry Bittrick of Ada.

Grandparents Betty and Gaylord Heaston, of Lowell, were also in attendance.

A reception was held at the Mead Lodge overlooking the Escanaba River. The couple currently reside in Spring Lake.

# Viewpoint



cozy corner  
by Roger Brown

I love being a grandparent! There are lots of reasons why. One of the top benefits is ... paybacks! You remember all those times your kids drove you nuts. I know it's a tired old axiom, but it sure is true. When you have grandkids you get to sit back and watch your kids get what they have coming to them. Cool!

A good case in point came last week during a lengthy phone conversation with my daughter. Yes, she still has my grandkids, Maddie (Jim), age six, and Zach (Boog) nearing five, "Shanghai" in Shanghai, China. Obviously, my wife and I don't get to see them as often as we'd like. Consequently, we have to rely on these phone calls for our "payback" updates.

Last week's conversation was mostly about Boog. Boog is apparently having a little too much fun in this, his first year of full days at the Shanghai American School. All his buddies also attend. Last year Boog attended a Chinese kindergarten. None of his regular buddies were enrolled there, and I didn't hear many negative reports. I was beginning to think the kid was going to let his grandpa down and be well-behaved.

Early in the week, Angie (my daughter) was called aside by Boog's teacher, Mrs. Allen. I've met Mrs. Allen. She's an older, very proper, British woman. I have no doubt that she is intent on conducting an orderly, disciplined class of five-year-olds. It's a case of the old "Immovable object meets the irresistible force" syndrome.

It seems Boog and a couple of his pals were spending some free time in a mock shootout using their fingers as guns and making gun noises as they shot each other. Mrs. Allen interrupted the gunfight and explained to the boys that they were at school and shooting guns is not an appropriate form of play. Boog immedi-

ately responded with something like, "It's okay Mrs. Allen, we're only shooting the bad @#%\*%#%s." There was a mild expletive at the end of his explanation that obviously did not help his cause.

A day or two later, Angie was again called aside by Mrs. Allen when she came to pick Boog up after school. This time Mrs. Allen described a conversation among Boog and his friends that she had overheard. It seems the boys were discussing life in school, Mrs. Allen and their opinion of how things were going. Mrs. Allen told Angie the boys seemed pretty content with the school, their class, even Mrs. Allen. But, then came the reason for the teacher/mother meeting.

During the discussion of Mrs. Allen as a teacher, and after the general approval of her, Boog added the caveat, "Yeah, she's okay as long as you don't @#%\* her off." Again, a mild expletive was used. Was the comment appropriate for an almost five-year-old? No! Was it funny? Grandpa nearly fell out of his chair.

Another day or two goes by, and again, Angie is called aside by Mrs. Allen after school. This time Boog was talking to a "neighbor" while Mrs. Allen was lecturing the class. In stereotypical British schoolmarm speak, she explained to Boog that the other students couldn't hear what she was saying if Boog was also talking. Boog has yet to see the light. That is, he hasn't figured out that what Mrs. Allen says is the gospel.

Boog took a look around and countered with, "No Mrs. Allen ... they can hear you just fine." This became a small argument. Mrs. Allen took another tactic. She told Boog that he couldn't hear her if he was talking. Again, he argued that he had heard her just fine. To prove it, he recited some of her lecture. About this time I'm sure Mrs. Allen was tempted to give up on trying to rationalize with Boog, take a Catholic Nun's approach, and smack the kid on his knuckles with a ruler.

Apparently Boog never did see things Mrs. Allen's way, or Angie wouldn't have been "called aside" for the third time in a week. Angie said she was voted the S.A.S. (Shanghai American School) "Mother-of-the-Week" by her friends. I love this stuff!!! For days after the conversation I reveled in the glow of Boog tormenting his mother. When I talked to my mom on the weekend, she asked if I'd heard from Angie. Of course I re-told all of Boog's escapades at school. When I was finished, my mom cut me down to size with, "Sounds like Boog takes after his grandpa."

That's not the way it's supposed to be! My kids gave me fits. I didn't give my parents fits. How can I relish these paybacks if I "had it comin' to me" when my kids tormented me? I've got to think about this. Maybe I shouldn't be taking such delight in my daughter's child rearing problems. Naw ... it's way too much fun!

## TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

As many of your readers know, a friend of theirs who is also MSU president, Peter McPherson has been in Baghdad, Iraq, since May with the assignment from President Bush of rebuilding Iraq's domestic economy. In fact, over the last few months many of you have asked how Peter is doing.

I received a phone call recently at 10:15 p.m. (6:15 a.m. Baghdad time).

After a long pause due to delayed delivery, I heard Peter's voice. He's doing great. Health is fine. Regarding the Iraq economy, banks are now cashing checks of Iraq civil servants. Of course, oil production is a huge part of the Iraq recovery. Iraq has 112 billion barrels of oil in reserve. They use only 500 million barrels per year for domestic use. Pre-war Iraq had the capability to accommodate domestic demand plus export hundreds of millions of barrels. Once they are again exporting oil, those export oil sales will help support the rebuilding and the ongoing economy.

Finally, Peter is expected back at MSU by the end of September. There is a team assembled in Iraq that will carry on after Peter comes home.

In short, Lowell, you can be proud of the work that all Americans in Iraq are doing for global freedom and peace.

Thank you.

Mac McPherson  
CLU

Dear Editor:

"Oh say can you see, by the dawn's early light, what so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming."

It seems the managers at the Kent County airport do not entirely believe this.

Old Glory flies atop a small mountain amid wetlands at the corner of 60th St. and Segwun Ave. near Alto.

The Kent County airport was required to replace wetlands used in their development and chose this site. Some loyal patriot placed an American flag and flagpole on the mountain to fly above the wetlands and surrounding countryside. It is often admired and commented upon by passersby. Even the little "critters" in the surrounding area feel more protected.

Why would the managers at the airport object to Old Glory being displayed there? (Taken down Sept. 12). It is my thought—and of many others in the area—to love our flag is to love our country. God Bless America!

Terry Estes



By Priscilla Luismeyer

## Ledger Entries of 100, 75, 50 and 25 Years Ago

125 YEARS  
THE WEEKLY JOURNAL  
SEPTEMBER 25, 1878

M.N. Hine has a Wagner apple tree with ripe fruit, green fruit, blossoms and buds all at the same time.

Lumber companies at Saginaw are offering \$16 to \$20 a month for men to work in the woods. Good wages.

A severe wind, the worst ever experienced at Pentwater, did major damage on the 20th.

The oldest man in the United States, Lomer Griffin, dies at Lodi, Ohio, at the age of 106.

Death rates from the yellow fever epidemic in the South are decreasing, though coffins are still in very short supply.

100 YEARS

THE LOWELL LEDGER SEPTEMBER 24, 1903

A special election next Monday asks voters whether the village should sell the woolen mill, no longer operating.

Gain Bangs will start a grocery business in the Pullen store building next month.

The county clerk issues the first deer licenses of the season to Albert Hoffman and Henry Sargent of Lowell.

During Editor Johnson's vacation, a series of articles on the evils of alcohol is running.

The Department of Agriculture would like to discontinue the distribution of over 17 million free seed packets every year, but Congress keeps appropriating the money.

75 YEARS

THE LOWELL LEDGER AND

THE ALTO SOLO SEPTEMBER 27, 1928 (1923)

We are filling in with columns from 1998 and give you "80 years The Lowell Ledger and Alto Solo."

One of Lowell's oldest buildings, the Axe factory building, is torn down, improving the view of Island Park. A Ford garage will replace it.

Some correspondent column names: Busy Corners, Hickory Corners Chatter, South Bowne Buns, Whitneyville Whatnots.

Chevrolet sells its Light Delivery trucks (good for farm products) for \$495 and up.

50 YEARS

THE LOWELL LEDGER

SEPTEMBER 24, 1953

A new wide screen is being installed in the Strand Theatre. The new St. Mary's Parish school opened Monday with 120 attending in the four classrooms.

"Bucky" writes a lively first column about the rainy Lowell-Ionia game last Friday, 22-18.

The column "Bowling News" reports on four leagues at the Clark-Ellis community bowling alley.

Alto School has 25 pupils in grades five through eight, more than last year.

25 YEARS

THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER

SEPTEMBER 27, 1978

Red Baron, mascot chicken of the Ionia County Shoppers Guide, places sixth in a chicken flying race in Blanchard, Mich.

The bridge over the Grand River at Ada is resurfaced with latex concrete.

Persons interviewed along Main Street are optimistic about getting a new Showboat built and are ready to volunteer to help.

Bob Ellis catches salmon weighing 23 and 13 pounds below the Flat River dam.

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# Sundry seeks cluster zoning for Highland Hills project

By J. Lobdell  
Contributing Writer

Representatives for a development on Grindle Drive presented the Lowell Planning Commission with a new option on its development seeking to fall under the newly created city ordinance for cluster zoning. But the request didn't go very far since the planning commission stated it would have to wait and see what the city council planned to do with the project, which is currently zoned PUD-R-1 residential and has a referendum seeking a vote of the people on whether the project can continue.

City clerk, Betty Morlock is reviewing signatures for the referendum and will announce her findings at the next city council meeting.

At the planning commis-

sion meeting Monday night, Sundry officials sought clarification on proceeding with a zoned cluster development (open space preservation) for which the city created an ordinance after the PUD for the Highland Hills project was approved. Kevin Rude, of Sundry, said when the project was first put together in 2001, the requirement for lot size in the suburban residential was 35,000 square feet. The company decided to go forth with a PUD R-1 zoning to allow more homes to be built.

Since that time, the city has changed the SR lot size to 23,000 square feet, which would allow Sundry to construct 54 homes on the property. Sundry is proposing 53, including the current Leeman home along with the project's 52 homes. Under the R-1 zon-

ing, Sundry could construct up to 110 homes, Rude explained, adding that the property was approved in 1995 for 110 condominiums.

Under the cluster ordinance, a developer may construct the allowed number of homes on only 80 percent of the property as long as the remaining 20 percent is left as a natural preserve. Sundry is proposing a neo-traditional style development that would cluster the homes together with a one-way street through the development, leaving more than 20 percent of the property as a natural preserve.

The stickler is that in the city's ordinance it specifically states the city can only consider the cluster ordinance if the property is zoned SR.

Since the Highland Hills project is now zoned R-1, city

manager, David Pasquale said he cannot process the request. Rude pointed out that in the state's version, it does not specify the residential zoning. Pasquale said the city allowed it under SR because it was the only district that could accommodate the ratio requirements. Under the ordinance, two homes are allowed per acre without public facilities and three homes are allowed per acre with public facilities. Rude said the Highland Hills development would fall within the ratio.

Chairman Clarke Jahnke said the way he understood it is the current zoning would have to be rescinded, and all the process stopped and the new process started. However, since the planning commission already gave its recommendation for approval and

sent the project on to the council, he didn't think there was much the planning commission could do at this point.

"The process is out of our hands," Jahnke said, adding that a new process would have to be started or the current one would have to be kicked back by the city council for the planning commission to be able to do anything.

"I personally think it is too bad this is happening," said commission member Dan Pipe of the referendum. "We worked on this for two years and I thought it was a good plan. It is unfortunate that it has come to this."

Rude said the plan is not a "Sundry plan," but a community plan," with Sundry having 49 meetings from the end of 2001 to August of 2003. Sundry has met with city offi-

cials and residents to work on the details including accommodating the request for only one access drive into the property to address traffic concerns.

Jahnke said he agreed it has been an "awful long process," but it is one that allows the public to use as well. He said he is sorry it has come to this point, adding that given all the changes that have occurred he questioned if the developer were presenting the plan now, would it still go with a PUD or the cluster?

Cluster zoning or the open space preservation act is designed to reduce urban sprawl and put people where the infrastructure is in a matter that everyone could be proud of, Rude said. "All we are trying to do is put 52 homes in the city of Lowell," he said.

taxable value from 1995-2002, which meant that the budget ended very close to zero, only dipping into the fund reserve for \$392. This, however, does not take into account some pending expenses the district had to pay to reserve money, from its fund balance," said Connie Gillette, assistant superintendent for finance and personnel, who presented a report on last year's budget in preparation for the auditor in Nov.

By J. Lobdell  
Contributing Writer

Good news is rare these days among schools facing freezes in state aid grants and other increasing costs. So when Lowell Area Schools found out it had been underpaid by the state for Unity High School students, it was good news to end on the 2002-2003 budget.

But the news got even better when the district received a check in the mail for adjusted

While the overall fund balance comes in at almost \$3.78 million, the board has reserved \$300,000 for the opening of the new elementary school, \$150,000 for curriculum needs, and \$63,500 for tile at the middle school. The next fund balance is at \$3.264 million, which is still about 11 percent, Gillette said. This is good, according to the assistant superintendent. It places the fund balance in the targeted range of 10 to 15 percent by auditors. Union offi-

cial, however, say according to Standards & Poors, the district only needs to have about a five percent balance, a sticking point in current contract negotiations. While the news is good for now, the future isn't going to pan out as well.

Gillette said the district has been told that the state aid grant per pupil will stay the same at \$6,700. And, there could be a potential pro-ration to make up for a state deficit of \$230 million, Gillette said, adding that

nothing has been made definite on this.

The school district plans to borrow about \$2 million this fall to help cover expenses from the state and, for the first time ever, will probably have to borrow another \$600,000 on a short-term loan from the state in the spring to make expenses, she said. To help cover the losses, the district made \$500,000 in budget cuts last year and another million dollars in cuts for this year's bud-

get to maintain a balance budget. When cuts were made, the primary focus has been in areas of student instruction and keeping those areas intact as much as possible, she said.

The economic future doesn't appear to get better for the following year. Gillette said she has been told to prepare for the economic problems to continue in 2004-2005 and that districts will once again have to look at their budgets.

# School looks to end on a high note for last year's budget

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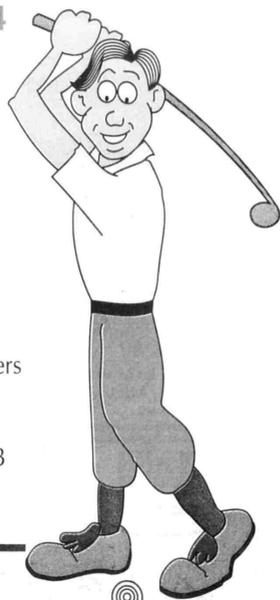
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## Doyle family's football tradition spans five generations

By Cliff Yankovich

It all started over 100 years ago when Arthur White played on Lowell's very first football team. White probably didn't realize he started the ball rolling on a family tradition that would continue all the way to the present day: his great-great-grandson plays on the Red Arrow varsity football team. Patrick Doyle represents the present day manifestation of this football-playing family in which six members over five generations have taken the field for Lowell.

Here is the line of progression. White played for Lowell in 1900. His daughter married Glenn Parsons who played for Lowell in 1929. His son Clark Parsons played for them in 1950. In the meantime King Doyle was on the varsity team in 1939; his son Brian played in 1975. Brian married Clark Parson's daughter Cheryl and their son Patrick plays on the current Red Arrow team.

The experience for these six players has pretty well run the gamut of sports in

terms of winning and losing. Brian Doyle recollected, "We didn't win a single game in my senior year." King Doyle played on a team that only lost one game... to Ionia. The team on which Glenn Parsons played enjoyed "a perfect season" ... and we all know what the Red Arrows did last year.

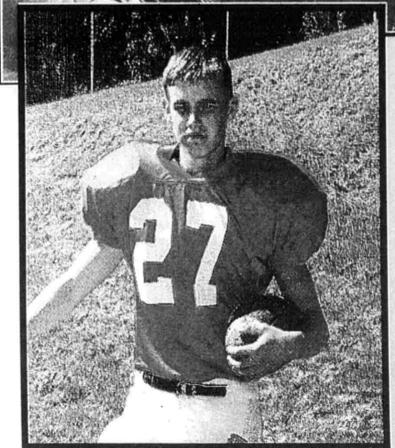
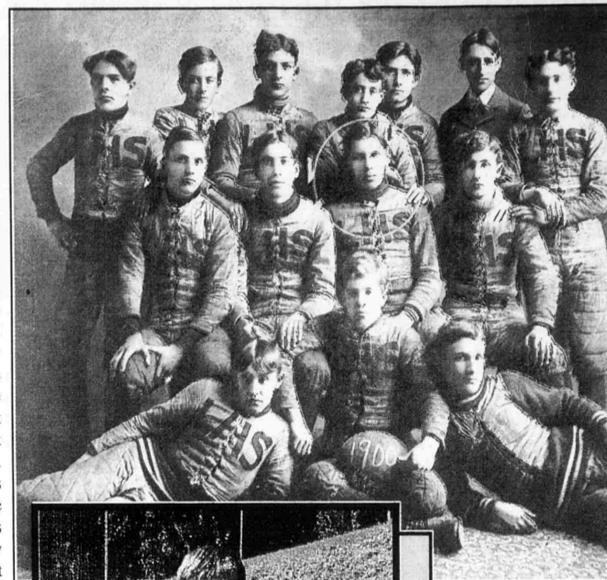
Many things about the sport have changed. Back when White played the game, if they were short of man power, they would recruit some fellows from the Grand Rapids factories to fill out the roster; uniforms didn't offer much protection to the players. Four of the six players took to the field when players were expected to play offense and defense. King Doyle was a left end both ways. Clark Parsons was an offensive guard and a linebacker on defense.

According to Clark Parsons, White didn't talk much about football. But his dad was another story - he loved to talk about the sport and his playing of the game. "My dad

had a football shaped heart," Parsons said. "When they started showing games on TV, he never missed one."

The Lowell rivalry with East Grand Rapids goes back almost as far as this family's line of players. When asked what his favorite memory from the 1939 season was, the answer from King Doyle came back quickly. "Beating East Grand Rapids was the best part of the season," he said. When asked to recollect his favorite memory from the 1950 season, Clark Parsons recalled "a guy named Rusty who played in the East backfield" that he tackled "real good a couple of times during the game against them."

Another theme running strong through the family was Lowell team spirit and learning life lessons on the field. Clark Parsons summed it up when he said, "One of the most important things in life is learning to work with others as a team. Football taught me that lesson."



Arthur White, (circled) great-great-grandfather started the family tradition; Patrick Doyle, great-great-grandson continues it.

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## Dykhouse rushes for three & throws for a fourth touchdown as Lowell rolls 28-7

Call it transition, call it searching for an identity. Lowell coach Noel Dean and his Red Arrows are comfortable enough to just run with it.

Shedding the shotgun/spread formation, Lowell revisited the days of the veer Friday night in posting a 28-7 win over visiting Kenowa Hills.

"We just knew that we have to establish a running game if we are going to be a good football team," Dean said after his club improved to 3-1 overall and 2-1 in the O-K White.

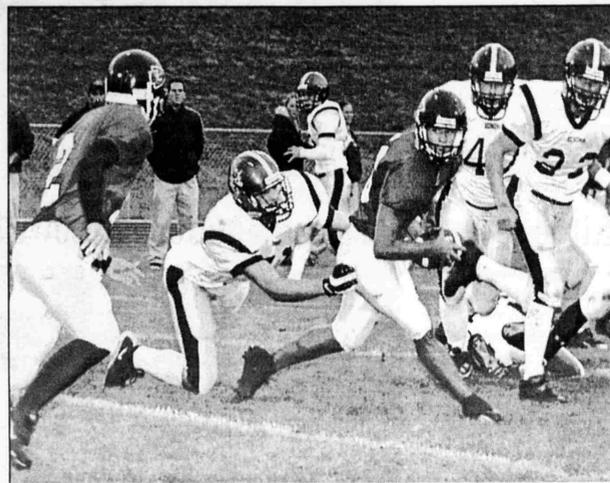
Lowell's coach warned that the transition may test the patience of some, but patience was what Dean asked for his young club.

"People have to understand how many young players we have out there. It's going to take patience. It's okay to play close games and win. It's also okay to lose a game," Dean explained.

For the better part of the first half of the home opener, close is exactly what fans got.

The Knights and the Red Arrows were scoreless after eight minutes of play. Lowell posted a crooked number on the board early in the second quarter on a five-yard run by quarterback Ryan Dykhouse.

Following an interception by Brock Graham at the Kenowa Hills 32, Dykhouse



Red Arrow quarterback, Ryan Dykhouse looks to pitch the ball to Sean Myers.

scored his second touchdown of the quarter, four plays later, on a 15-yard scamper.

Kenowa didn't fold up its tent. Late in the second quarter it drove 40 yards in three plays, capping the drive on a sweet 30-yard scoring pass from Brandon Brougham to Neal Rusche.

The game's most pivotal drive followed as Lowell marched 46 yards in six plays with Dykhouse pushing it in from three yards. The extra point was missed and the Red Arrows led 20-7 at halftime.

"We're playing better each week, but I think we're better than what we showed tonight," said the Knight's coach. "We gave up that screen pass early in the second quarter and then we allowed them to go over top before halftime. You can't do

that against good football teams."

The only touchdown of the second half came with 2:15 to play in the third quarter as Dykhouse hooked up with Mike Koster on a 61-yard touchdown pass. The two connected again on the two point conversion, giving Lowell a 28-7 lead.

Lowell's focus on the run, however, was not fruitful. The Red Arrows ran the ball 37 times against Kenowa Hills for just 66 yards. Dykhouse was 7-of-12 for 176 yards in the air for a touchdown. Koster caught five passes for 136 yards.

"We're moving in a positive direction and we will get better," Dean concluded.

Lowell hosts Northview this Friday.

## Red Arrow girls cruise past Sparta & Cedar Springs

Lowell and Sparta were two teams going in different directions entering Thursday's OK White basketball game - that meeting didn't change a thing.

Lowell's 57-25 win over the Spartans pushed the Red Arrows' record to 4-2 overall and 2-0 in the league.

With the loss, Sparta is 1-5 overall and 0-2 in the conference.

Balanced scoring, a Lowell trademark, was present against Sparta once again.

Amy Oberlin led all Red Arrows with nine points.

Kelsey Graham, Vallen Van Zyll, Devon Collins and Krashawn McElveen all contributed with points and assists. Kenni Gallert added seven.

Lowell outscored Sparta 17-1 in the first quarter with many of those points coming off their full-court press.

The Red Arrows led 25-8 at half and outscored Sparta 32-17 in the second half.

**Lowell 54 Cedar Springs 32**

A pressuring defense and seven three-point goals propelled Lowell to an easy 22-point victory over the Red Hawks.

Vallen VanZyll netted four 3's, scoring 14 points. Only teammate Amy Oberlin scored more (16).

The Red Arrows built a 30-17 halftime lead and were never challenged in the second half despite being outscored 32-23.

Brittany Lyman grabbed a team-high four rebounds.

## JV Red Arrow Football Team Wins 35-20

Patient control is one way to describe last week's Red Arrow JV football game against the Kenowa Hills Knights. The first half between these two teams was practically identical. Both offenses scored on their first possession in the first quarter. Like-

wise, each defense also allowed respectable gains on the ground and in the air.

At halftime, Kenowa Hills led by a score of 20-15. Then the third quarter started and it was all Red Arrows. Gabe Delnick ran back a 70-yard kick-off to launch the

Red Arrow momentum. In talking with the players after the game, the kick-off return was planned and obviously successfully executed.

The defense responded powerfully by holding the Knights scoreless for the entire second half, triggered with a blocked punt by Adam VanderPols. The defense continued to dominate as they forced, then recovered a fumble.

A coordinated and commanding offensive line complimented the success of the defense. Turnovers, a strong defense, and a second half surge by the offensive running game gave the Red Arrows their first road game victory of the season with a final score of 35-20.

The frosh and JV will take to the road again Thursday traveling to Northview. Game times are 4:30 and 6:30 p.m.

## Lowell equestrians looking toward state championship

The Lowell Equestrian team finished its season with two district championships and one reserve district championship. Lowell will be sending its B and C teams to the MIHA State Finals Oct. 23-26 in Detroit.

Lowell B won its season with a total of 603 points. The high point rider for the season was junior Kelly Foote with 131 points. Reserve rider for the season was sophomore Lauren VanEns with 106 points. Other strong efforts were made by seniors Jessica

Hamp and Steve Koning, juniors Liz Foster, Kim VandenBerg and Michelle Wolf, sophomore Collette Benmark, and freshman Cara Wilcox.

Lowell's C team also took home a district title with a total of 322 points. High point rider was freshman Jessica Bouman with 114 points; reserve high point was junior Ashley Waldron with 112 points.

Also contributing to the team's success were junior Travis Craig and sophomores

Carolyn Johnson and Jay Seeley.

Lowell's A team put forth a strong effort and finished reserve in the district with 636 points. High point rider was freshman Genevieve Kendall with 109 points; reserve went

to freshman Ashley VanSpronsen with 73 points. Other great contributions were made by seniors Jerry Parker and Sandra Wisniewski, juniors Mary Mendez, Amanda Roberts and Meghan

Silverman, sophomores Danielle Duprey, Megan Fizer and Janice Wisniewski and freshmen Melissa Addington, Hannah Cunningham, Christian Koning, and Lisa Nugent. Aside from a winning sea-

son, the Lowell Equestrian team is also sponsoring a community service project of collecting horse and agriculture related books to be donated to the new elementary school library.

## Little separates top from bottom at Lowell Invitational

Excruciatingly tough losses at the Lowell Invitational Saturday were the difference between a first place finish and Lowell's fourth place finish.

"We lost a number (four) of tough matches that I felt we had a chance to win and should have won," said Lowell girls tennis coach, Bonnie Wall. "We just let some matches get away from us."

Lowell's only victory came in third doubles play when Rachelle Livingston and Jean Kimberlin earned a 6-1, 6-4 victory against Caledonia.

That win wasn't enough to offset losses in the finals at third singles and second doubles.

Kelly Koning and Becky Plummer lost in three sets 6-1, 4-6 and (9-11).

Ali Stearns of Cadillac defeated Lowell's Amanda Grochowalski, third doubles, in three sets 3-6, 6-3, (10-5).

"We also lost some tough matches in battles for third place," Wall explained.

Strong singles play lifted Lowell past Kenowa Hills 7-1. "Actually with the exception of one match, it was pretty cut and dry," Wall said.

In singles play, Mandy Gunberg def. Kelly Dietrich

6-0, 6-1; Stevi Thompson def. Jaime Andzejewski 6-0, 6-1; Amanda Grochowalski def. Kelsie Madden 6-3, 6-4; Haley Irwin def. Danielle Krolewicz 6-3, 6-0.

"Amanda had a good match winning 6-3, 6-4, but worked hard to gain the victory," Wall said.

In doubles play, Karen Scott/Sarah Geelhoed def. Katie Huver/ Julie Geelhoed; Kelly Koning/Becky Plummer def. Carrie Launiere/Vicky Blackmer 6-3, 6-2; Rachelle Livingston/Jean Kimberlin def. Amanda Bos/Kaleigh Lampe 6-1, 6-4; Cara Mooney/Heather Spratt def. Lauren Picard/Leandra Polkowski 6-0, 6-4.

"Our third doubles team struggled in the second set but recovered and prevailed," Wall explained.

Earlier in the week Lowell lost 8-0 to East Grand Rapids.

"Our second and third doubles teams hung in there and played long matches," Wall said. "These girls can hit with East, they just need more time on the court."

**Lowell Invitational Team Scores:** Big Rapids 22, Cadillac 20, Caledonia 20, Lowell 18.



Amanda Grochowalski finished second in third singles play Saturday.

## Strong play from Scheider & Tomczak key in Lowell victories

Following a disappointing performance against East Grand Rapids at Deer Run,

Lowell's golf team rebounded with impressive wins over Kenowa Hills and Northview.

After shooting a 166 against the Pioneers (156), the Red Arrows turned things

around in carding a 159 against the Knights.

"I was real pleased with the way the boys responded after not playing well against East," said Lowell golf coach, Jack Ogle.

Lowell received strong play from seniors, Matt Scheider and Luke Tomczak. "They are really playing well right now. They're simply carrying this team. Now we need to get a couple of the others up there with them," Ogle said.

Scheider and Tomczak shot 38s at Deer Run against Kenowa Hills and then a few days later fired rounds of 36 (Scheider) and 38 (Tomczak) at Thousand Oaks against Northview. "I hope we can peak for conference and regional play," Ogle said. "We're capable with our senior leadership."

Lowell finished the week at 4-1 in the league and 5-1 overall.

**Lowell (159)** - Luke Tomczak 38; Matt Scheider 38; Dave Maylone 40; Chris Lechner 43.

**Kenowa Hills (172)** - Justin Kratt 41; Rick Visser 43; Phil Parsh 43; Clay Wilson 45.

**Lowell (161)** - Matt Scheider 36; Luke Tomczak 38; Dan Harrison 43; Dave Maylone 44; Calen DeCenzo 44.

**Northview (172)** - Zach Eldin 40; Jeremy Schumaker 42; Mike Brander 44; Jeff Debus 46.

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NOTICE OF ACTION  
CASE N. 03-06540-DO

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JOSEPH HOWARD  
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TO DEFENDANT,  
JOSEPH HOWARD  
BROWN  
IT IS ORDERED:  
You are being sued by  
plaintiff in this court to

obtain a divorce. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before October 29, 2003. If you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

A copy of this order shall be published once each week in The Lowell Ledger or three (3) consecutive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court. The publication costs shall be paid by Kent County pursuant to MCR 2.002(F).

A copy of this order shall 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 court.

Sept. 3, 2003  
NANARUTH H. CARPENTER  
Judge

## SYNOPSIS REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOWNE TOWNSHIP BOARD September 15, 2003 - 7:30 p.m.

Minutes of the August 18, 2003 regular meeting were approved as corrected and list of invoices were also approved.

The following motions were approved:

- Motion to keep the township offices in their current location.
- Motion to table M50 Corridor Overlay District.
- Motion to purchase "no trespassing" signs for WWTP.

Complete minutes are available on the township website at www.bownetwp.cc or at the township offices located at 8240 Alden Nash S.E., Alto.

The next Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Bowne Township Board is October 20, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. at the Historic Township Hall located at 8240 Alden Nash S.E..

Sandra L. Kowalczyk  
Bowne Township Clerk

# Last second goal salvages tie for Red Arrows

The top two soccer teams in the OK White gave a top shelf performance at Red Arrow Stadium Thursday night.

Both squads finished the 4-4 tie in double overtime with thoughts of regret and relief. Lowell was relieved to get the game into overtime and regretted they did not win the game.

EGR regretted it did not win the game in regulation and was relieved to garner a tie in overtime.

In a see-saw battle, the Red Arrows needed a goal from Brandon Grochowalski with two seconds left on the scoreboard clock to send the game into overtime.

The Pioneers had to fend off an onslaught of Lowell shots on goal in overtime to earn the tie.

"There is no quit in this team," said EGR soccer coach, Leo Radovich. "They fight, fight, fight. We're getting better every game. It was unlucky for us that Lowell scored so late in the game."

Grochowalski's goal followed a Matt D'Agostino pass to David Kropf, who then fed Grochowalski, who found the corner of the net.

"We salvaged a train wreck with that goal," said Lowell soccer coach, Paul Legge. "Our defense was slow and we did not mark up well at all."

East Grand Rapids grabbed the early lead with a goal from Jack VanDahm on an assist from Brandon Teets. Sam Oberlin tied the game

at 1-1 with a first-half penalty kick.

East regained the lead 2-1 when VanDahm netted his second goal of the game.

Late in the first half, Kevin Gillman, on an assist from Zach Horan, tied the game at 2-2.

The Red Arrows' first lead of the game came in the second half off the foot of Zach Ligman with an assist from Gillman.

East battled back with back-to-back goals from Teets and VanDahm, grabbing a 4-3 advantage.

That lead looked secure until Grochowalski's last-second heroics.

"We didn't start playing with a sense of urgency until the last few minutes of the

game and in overtime," Legge said. "When we got into overtime, we had many shots but didn't finish."

The tie leaves Lowell at 6-0-2 overall and 3-0-1 in the league.

In Lowell's 9-0 shutout of Kenowa Hills, Sam Oberlin tallied six goals.

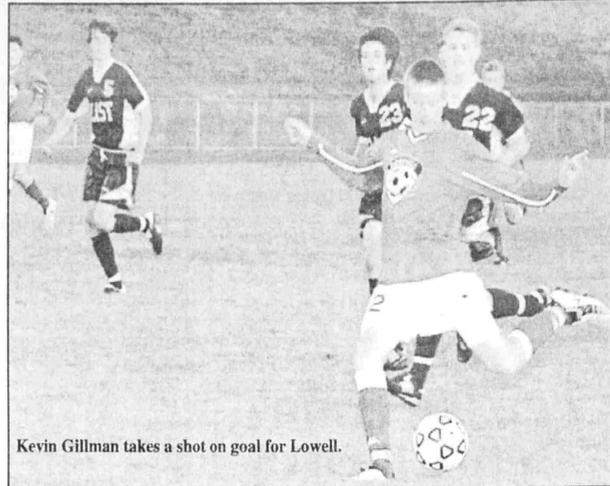
## Lowell 9, Kenowa Hills 0

**1st half goals** - 1. Zach Ligman (Zach Horan); 2. Sam Oberlin (Chris Barlow); 3. Oberlin.

**2nd half goals** - 4. David Kropf (Shane Stokes); 5. Oberlin (Kropf); 6. Oberlin (Stokes); 7. Oberlin (Matt D'Agostino); 8. Kevin Gillman; 9. Oberlin (Ben Hanson).



During halftime of the Lowell soccer game with EGR, the Red Arrow youth soccer players were recognized by fans and varsity players alike.



Kevin Gillman takes a shot on goal for Lowell.

# It's an all Eagles day at Lowell Invitational

Grand Rapids Christian boys and girls put on masterful running performances Saturday at the Lowell Invitational.

They claimed five of the top six spots as the girls easily ran away from the Division II competition.

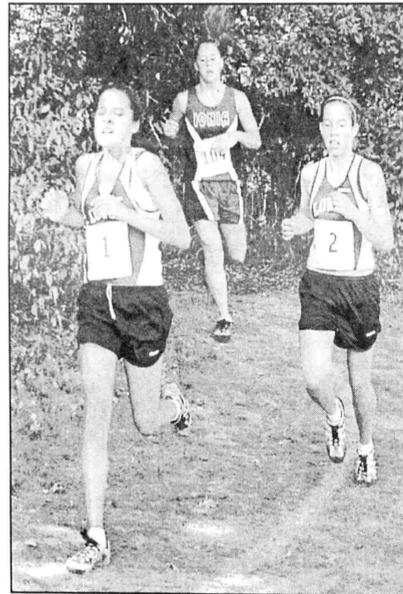
"It was unbelievable to watch them run and to see the sea of blue cross the finish line," said Lowell cross country coach, Clay VanderWarf. "It would have been fun to

watch Rockford run against them."

The Eagles finished first with 19 points followed by South Christian 84, Lowell 106, Ionia 113, Northview 137, EGR 162, Alma 186, Holland Christian 191, Unity Christian 193.

Lowell's top harrier was

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The Lowell girls also took third at LHS on Saturday.

# COMING EVENTS

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

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

**EVERY MON.:** Lowell High School Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Friends - meets from 7:30-8:30 p.m. in members' homes. Call 676-1355.

**SECOND MON. OF EACH MONTH:** Fallsburg 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.

**Mothers of Preschoolers** ... because mothering matters. 9:15 - 11:30 a.m. at Impact, a Wesleyan Church, 1070 N. Hudson. Call 897-8304 for details.

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

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

**1ST TUES.:** Adults with AD/HD at Calvin College, 7-9 p.m. Free. Call Gary Engle at 897-6325 or 248-2423.

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

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

**EVERY 1ST & 3RD TUES.:** Lowell Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Look Memorial Fire Station, 315 S. Hudson St.

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

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

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

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

**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 Franciscan Child Development Center, 897-7842.

**EVERY FOURTH WED.:** Support group for Peripheral neuropathy meets at 4 p.m. at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Grand Rapids. 897-9794. 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.

**EVERY THURS.:** Pottery classes at Franciscan Life Process Center from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. \$10/hour/ \$15 for two. 897-7842 for info.

**EVERY THURS. - St. Mary's Pregnancy Crisis Center,** 402 Amity St., non-denominational help for pregnant women / adolescents at the school: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.; Mondays: 5:30 - 8 p.m. 897-9393.

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

**EVERY 3RD THURS.:** Rubber stamping group at Christian Life Center 6-9 p.m. Create cards, scrapbooks, etc. Share supplies. Call Dawn 862-8841.

**EVERY 3RD THURS.:** VFW #8303 Ladies Auxiliary, 3116 Alden Nash S.E. at 3 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**SAT., SEPT. 27/SUN., SEPT. 28:** Fallsburg Fall Festival at Fallsburg Park from 10 a.m. 5 p.m. Crafts, food, entertainment all day.

**THURS., OCT. 2:** Vergennes Cooperative

Club at Schneider Manor at 1 p.m. Program: Barb Briggs will talk on China trip. Hostesses are Betty Heaston, Donna Ford, Jean Caldwell. Sponsor is Phyllis Bieri. Remember to bring food items for Flat River Outreach Ministries.

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

**TUES., OCT. 7:** Annual Blythefield Arts & Crafts Bazaar from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Blythefield Country Club, 5801 Northland Dr., Belmont. No admittance charge; please no strollers.

**FRI., OCT. 10:** Any group or business interested in participating in the Lowell Homecoming parade, call Kurt Kaeb (LHS) at 897-4125.

## 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., in 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.

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## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

**LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR**  
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### 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 the Woods/Shop Mall.

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

## BOWNE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, October 8, 2003 at 7:30 p.m., in the Bowne Township Hall, the Bowne Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing for the purpose of hearing comments regarding a proposed appeal of the Bowne Township Zoning Ordinance.

The appeal is in regard to Section 3.02 Accessory Structures and Uses Item (F) of the zoning ordinance, relating to the aggregate gross square footage of an accessory building.

Request from Thomas W. Summers to allow an accessory structure that exceeds the square footage as allowed by the ordinance in the Agricultural Zone. Located at 14086 84th Street S.E., Freeport. Parcel #41-24-24-200-018.

Any written comments regarding this request may be addressed to: Gloria King, Chairperson Bowne Township ZBA, 8240 Alden Nash S.E., P.O. Box 35, Alto, MI 49302.

Gloria King, Chairperson Bowne Township ZBA

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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SEPT. 26: Micah Soyka, Ila Phillips, Torin Hacker, Alexis Shaffer.

SEPT. 27: Brooke Tetzlaff.

SEPT. 28: Bruce Weeks, Erin Doyle, Chad Newhouse, Tony Johnson, Matthew Foster.

SEPT. 29: S.J. Ayres, Orison Abel, Judy Baird, Kayla Brenk, Kelleigh Walling, Edward Stormzand II.

SEPT. 30: Jimmy Hodges, Lowell Swift, Linda DeCator, Ray Zandstra, Mark Willmarth, Jay Thaler, Marion Miller, Haley Main, Ernie Barnes, Jessica Spencer.

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# Cross country, continued...From Page 12

Sarah Swab turning in a time of 20:51.8. Teammate Brittany Dietz was the second Red Arrow home, 15th overall in a time of 21:36.

Abbie Debiak stopped the clock in 21:54.8 coming off the course in 22nd place.

Erin Beddows, 23rd, raced to the finish line in 21:58.38 followed by Erica Huizenga, 38th, finishing at 23:03.2.

"The girls continue to show progress with every meet," VanderWarf said. "Our top four runners are in the 21s; now we need to get five, six and seven there."

Earlier in the week the Red Arrow girls fell to EGR 17-43.

In the boys' race on Saturday, G. R. Christian won, going away with 32 points. The Eagles placed five harriers in the top 12.

South Christian was second with 73 followed by Lowell third with 81.

The Red Arrows' top five harriers were Scott Riddle, ninth 17:02.4; Steve Ellison,

14th, 17:41.1; Eric Schumm, 15th, 17:43.1; Mitch Solon, 19th, 17:52; Jon Riddle, 24th, 18:03.8.

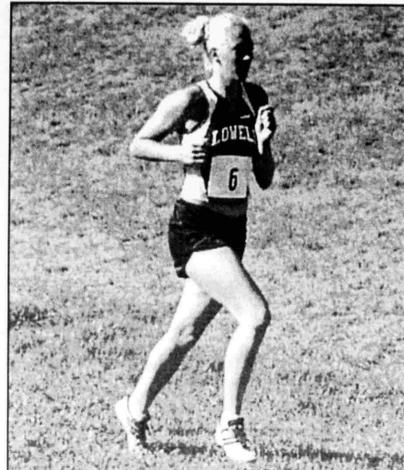
"The guys ran well. Scott Riddle's 17:02 was outstanding," VanderWarf said. "We

got beat by two excellent teams." In their dual meet on Wednesday, the Red Arrows fell to East Grand Rapids 22-33.

"East has two real good boys." EGR (22) - 1. Leek Deng 17:18; 2. Eric Sylverson 17:19; 5. M. Mach 17:46; 6. John Hayes 17:51; 8. Steve Cole 18:14.

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Sarah Swab was Lowell's top girl runner at the Lowell Invitational.

cross country teams. Their pack is just a little tighter than ours right now," VanderWarf concluded.

Boys

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EGR (17) - 1. Laura Malnor 18:46; 2. Nikki Brown 19:30; 3. Mary Thomson 21:17; 5. Tally Haller 22:09; 6. Jenny Lohner 22:12.

Lowell Invitational Division II - Boys GR Christian 32, South Christian 73, Lowell 81, Holland Christian 89, Alma 128, Unity Christian 175, Northview 191, East Grand Rapids 198, Ionia 213.

Lowell - 9. Scott Riddle 17:02.4; 14. Steve Ellison

## Fifth Annual Covered Bridge Run Oct. 4

The starting gun will sound promptly at 9 a.m. in Fallsburg Park for the 5th annual Covered Bridge Run. There are three events: a 5k run, a 5k walk and the only 5k dog walk in West Michigan.

"It's a beautiful course, which includes the covered bridge, Historic Fallsburg Village, the foot bridge over the Flat River and a trail to the finish line," said Bruce Langlois, race director. "The dog walk has been a big draw

and really makes the event fun for all who attend. Besides the dogs, the big draw to our race includes the beautiful certified course, and the free breakfast afterwards for the runners, spectators and the four legged competitors."

The title sponsor is King Milling Company with many local businesses also acting as sponsors. Knights of Columbus, council #7719 of Lowell, runs the event.

All of the money made from this event goes back into the community, with various Knights of Columbus charities. This year \$5 from the entry fee of each dog walker will go to Vicky's Pet Connection, Langlois added.

Entry forms for the Oct. 4 event may be picked up at Animal Hospital of Lowell, 11610 E. Fulton St., or by calling 897-8484.

months after the date of publication of this notice.

September 16, 2003

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JOAN M. FARHAT 4115 Cambot Ct., N.W. Walker, MI 49544 (616) 453-9619

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FILE NO. 03-176, 267-DE

Estate of ROSE SZCZEPANEK,

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## SALES

BARN SALE - Old farm tools, garden tools, carpenter tools, new shower stall, used doors and hardware, windows, furniture, lawn mower, new 14 inch tires, 9305 Cascade Rd. Sept. 25, 26 & 27, 6-6.

5 FAMILY YARD SALE - 11326 Denise, Lot 120 Key Heights, Fri., Sept. 26, 9-7 if rain October 3. Glassware, some men's and women's new, XL & 2XL, also girls 1-2, ball cards. Lots of misc items.

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## HELP WANTED

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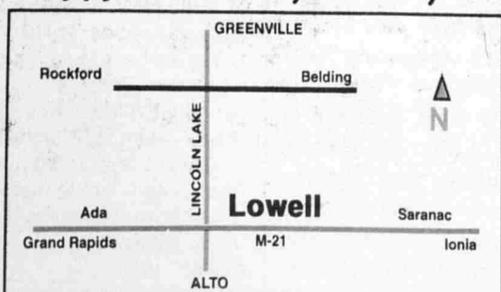


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