

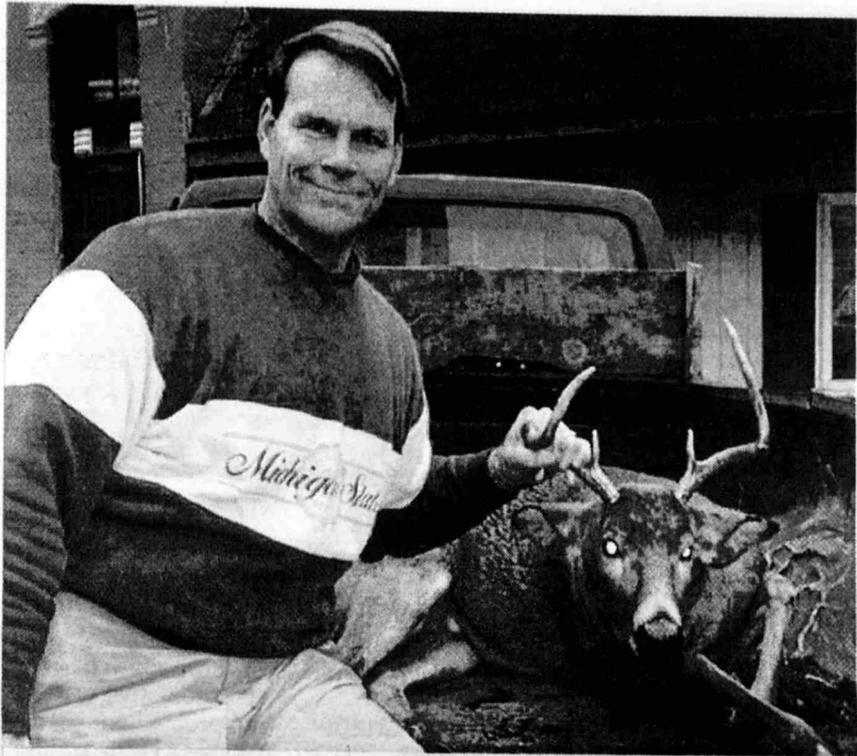
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Ready, aim...First Buck Contest winner arrives at 8:05 a.m.



Mike Pniewski

The winner of the annual Lowell Ledger/Buyers Guide "First Buck" contest was Mike Pniewski, arriving at the Ledger office at 8:05 a.m.

Pniewski has been hunting for over 25 years. He said he was hunting on his mother's property just north of Lowell when, at first light, he spotted the buck - a five-point - at about 7 a.m. "It was just barely light enough to see that it was a buck," stated Pniewski. The buck was standing in a walnut grove where he couldn't get a shot at him. But his patience paid off when the buck came wandering out in front of him at 7:35.

He took the long 100-yard shot with his 12 gauge

Remington with a slug barrel. It proved to be the winning shot. For his efforts Pniewski received: free processing of his deer at Jones Farm Meats, a free oil change and hat from Harold Zeigler Ford, a \$25 gift certificate to Bernard's AceHardware, dinner for two at Larkin's, a two-year subscription to the Lowell Ledger, a \$10 gift certificate to LA Video, and a \$10 gift certificate to Meijer.

Second place went to Chad Storey who arrived at The Lowell Ledger/Buyers Guide at 9:25 a.m. with a nice eight-point buck. "I was hunting south of Lowell near Cascade Road when I spotted this buck going through an open field," said Storey. He took the buck down with one shot from his 12-gauge Stevens single-shot, hitting the deer in the throat from about 75 yards away. For his efforts he received: a free oil change and hat from Harold Zeigler Ford, a one-year subscription to the Lowell Ledger, a breakfast at

Backwater Cafe, a \$5 gift certificate from LA Video, a large pizza from Little Caesar's, and a \$10 gift certificate to Meijer.

The third buck arriving at the office at 9:30 a.m. was shot by 15-year-old Alex Carpenter. He was hunting just north of Lowell with his family when he took down the eight-point buck at approximately 8:15 a.m. He took it with one shot through the back of the neck with his 20 gauge single shot. This was his third year of hunting and his second buck. As of Monday morning, Carpenter was the only member of his family to get a buck this year. He received the following prizes: a free oil change and hat from Harold Zeigler Ford, a one-year subscription to the Lowell Ledger, a breakfast at Backwater Cafe, a \$5 gift certificate to Meijer, and a large pizza from Little Caesar's.

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DDA approves funds for plans to improve traffic flow

"We need to stagger the traffic so it's possible to get across the street."

- Mike Sprenger

By Dan Schneider

The Downtown Development Authority approved spending \$5,700 last Thursday for preliminary drawings looking at ways to improve the flow of pedestrian traffic through the downtown business district. The drawings are necessary to get Michigan Department of Transportation approval for a concept creating pedestrian crossings on Main Street.

At the meeting, Lowell police chief, Jim Valentine said he is seeing more pedestrian traffic in the downtown than ever before. Valentine said efforts to improve pedestrian traffic flow have been ongoing for about three years.

It is widely thought among business owners in the downtown district that crossing Main Street is a difficult prospect for pedestrians.

"This is a convenience issue for the downtown business district," Valentine said.

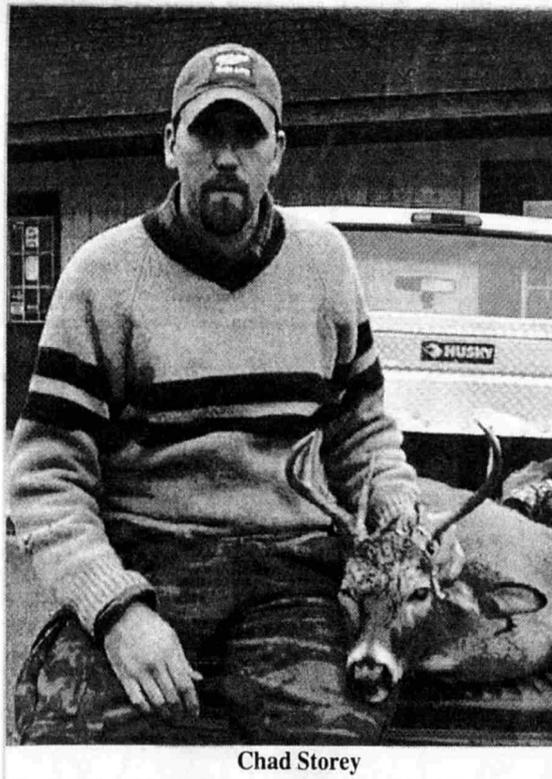
Cliff Yankovich is co-owner of Chimera Design at 208 East Main St.

"I was sitting here watching these ladies and they waited and they waited and they waited and they waited and then they ran like hell," Yankovich said. "And that summarizes the pedestrian situation around here."

Crossing is more difficult for the elderly.

"My father is 74 and he tries to park on the other side (of Main Street)," Yankovich said. "He can't be sprinting across the street, he just doesn't have it in him."

Mike Sprenger owns Springrove Variety at 123 West Main St. He is a DDA board member, though he was not present at last Thursday's meeting.



Chad Storey

"We need to stagger the traffic so it's possible to get across the street," Sprenger said.

Chris West, general manager of the Flat River Grill, had a different view of the pedestrian situation.

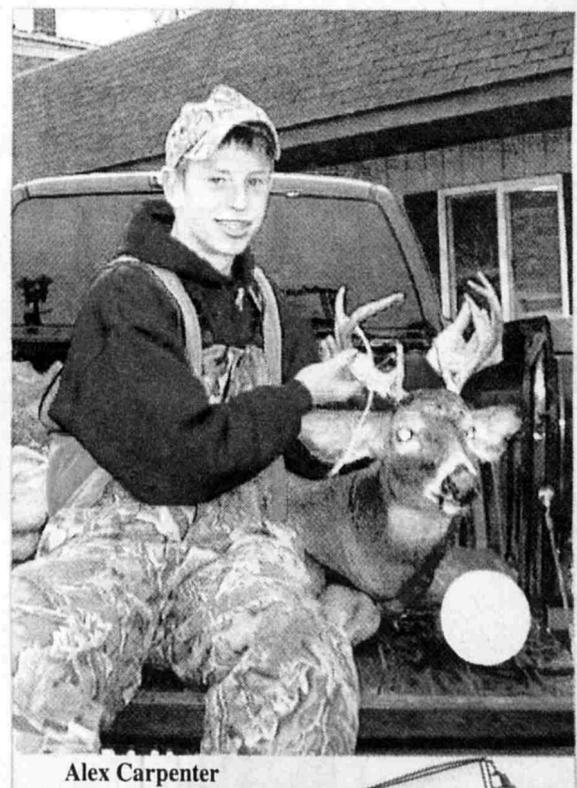
"I just don't see any backups, I mean you only have to wait a minute or two," West said. "I think a lot of my customers park in the back lot and go in the side door."

Street parking was a consideration at the DDA meeting. Board members agreed that the plan they create should not jeopardize parking space on Main Street.

The DDA's ideal locations for the crossings are at Riverside Drive and Water Street on the west side of the dam and at Riverwalk Plaza on the east side. Ed Swanson, of Wade-Trim Engineering, said the city will have to create the crossings using concrete islands or bumpouts. These, he said, are the only options the MDOT is likely to approve.

Islands improve crossing safety by giving pedestrians a place to stop mid-street. An island delineated by painted yellow lines exists already at

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Alex Carpenter

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OBITUARIES

GRIEVES - Bryce C. Me Mahon of Saranac, Dave Grieves, aged 81, of Saranac, passed away November 17, 2003 in Ionia. He was born September 8, 1922 in Keene Twp., the son of Ralph and Ivy (Hunter) Grieves. He was born and raised on the same farm and continued to farm and live there until retiring in 1985. He married Sarah Jane (Sally) Bigelow August 25, 1949. He is survived by his loving wife Sarah Jane (Sally) Grieves of Saranac; son Chris and (Pam) Grieves of Saranac; daughters Lori Rairigh of Saranac, Peggy (Harold) Mc Bride of Saranac; brother Philip (Bertha) Grieves of Lowell; grandchildren Bryan

(Pat) Grieves of Saranac, and Sarah Mc Bride of Saranac. He was preceded in death by one brother Keith; two sisters Helen, Marion; son-in-law Roger Rairigh. Funeral services will be held Thursday at Lake Funeral Home in Saranac with Rev. Kenneth Harger officiating. Visitation Wednesday 2-4 and 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Anyone wishing may make a memorial contribution to American Heart Assoc. or American Diabetes Assoc.

LITSCHESKI - Adolph Peerless "Sport" Litschewski, aged 92, of Lowell, passed

away on Sunday, November 16, 2003 at his home in Lowell. He was preceded in death by his wife Barbara in 2000. Surviving are his daughters Carol (Arthur) Shimmel of Allegan, Linda (Gerald) Dykstra of Lowell, Rita (Roger) Kropf of Comstock Park; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren, and one great-great-granddaughter. Mass of Christian Burial was offered Tuesday at St. Mary's Church, Lowell, Fr.

George Fekete celebrant. Interment St. Mary's Cemetery, Lowell.

WALKER - W. Ruth Walker, aged 95, of Traverse City, formerly of Lowell, died Saturday, November 8, 2003, at the Grand Traverse Pavilions. Ruth was born in Grand Rapids, the daughter of Reiner and Phyllis (Pett) DeYoung. She married Daniel S. Walker in Grand Rapids on September 5, 1931. Ruth was a retired

receptionist, a very active member of the First Congregational Church, and a former member of the Traverse City Order of the Eastern Star. She is survived by her son Dan (Betty) Walker; two daughters Phyllis (Richard) Becker of Bradenton, Fla., and Sharon (Kim) Adgate of Eustis, Fla.; seven grandchildren: Ann, Wendy, Terry, Dan, Levi, Erin, and Seth; 10 great-grandchildren; a brother Fred (Gert) DeYoung; a sister Alma

Engelsman, both of Grand Rapids. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and stepmother Edith DeYoung. Funeral services were held Wednesday, Nov. 12 at the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home with Dr. Gary Hogue officiating. Burial in Oakwood Cemetery in Traverse City. Memorials may be directed to the Father Fred Foundation.

COLLEGE NEWS

Denison University in Granville, Ohio, has announced that **Lauren Vashaw**, a 2003 Lowell High School graduate, is a first-year player for the Denison women's basketball team. She made all-conference honorable mention as a senior at Lowell High School.

Scholarship Foundation, Inc. Serne was one of five Michigan State University agricultural technology students to receive these scholarships. Awards are based on academics, extracurricular activities and interest in dairy industry careers.

Lowell resident **Pieter Serne** has been awarded a \$1,250 Agricultural Technology Scholarship by the Michigan Dairy Memorial and

Julia R. Ennis, a 1999 graduate of Lowell High School, will present a project at the 33rd Conference on

Senior Engineering Design Projects at Western Michigan University on Dec. 2.

Her project, fault detection and user-assisted recovery in an appliance, can be viewed from 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at the Bernhard Center on the WMU campus. The conference is open to the public free of charge and is sponsored by WMU's College of Engineering and Applied Sciences. One hundred seniors, in the engineering field, will present the results of their completed projects.

Ennis, the daughter of James and Rose Ennis of Lowell, plans to receive a

bachelor's degree in electrical engineering in December 2003.

Indiana Tech defender **Zach Stauffer** was named to the All-Conference team in men's soccer for the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference in the NAIA. Stauffer, a co-captain of the Warriors soccer team, is a sophomore majoring in electrical engineering.

The 2002 graduate of Lowell High School is the son of David Stauffer of Jenison and Deborah Stauffer of Lowell.

LEGAL NOTICES

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FILE NO. 03-176564-DE

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—Harold Geneen

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Murray Lake parent links group forming Cell 10 area looks promising for attendance

By Dan Schneider

Results of an LAS demographics committee survey showed higher-than-expected interest in a parent links group for the new Murray Lake Elementary School. The survey also informed demographics

committee chair, Jim White's recommendation that the school open as a K-5 with Cell 10 as its base attendance area.

"We had what I thought was an outstanding response to the parent links question which I thought was surpris-

ing," White said. "I was hoping for four or five people and we got 28."

White said there were about 225 responses to the survey out of 400 sent to parents in mid-October. The survey's goal was to measure

people's interest in Murray Lake Elementary.

White said 26 percent of the respondents indicated interest in a parent links group, with 28 filling out addresses wishing to be contacted.

"I'm excited to be getting it in place, I'm excited that the kids will see it," Marie Peterson said.

Peterson is a current board member of the Cherry Creek/Bushnell parent links group. She has one year left of her term on that board, but with children who will attend Murray Lake next fall, she is helping to start the parent links there.

"We've got so many people excited about it that we want to keep the excitement rolling," Peterson said. "We just want people to know that there is a parent links group forming at Murray Lake. We want to make sure that everyone who wants to volunteer has a chance."

While Murray Lake will have its own parent links group, it will also work with the existing groups at Cherry Creek/Bushnell and the middle school. Parent links groups seek to unify parents, teachers, kids and the com-

munity. They fundraise for classroom supplies and programming as well as sponsor activities such as popcorn sales, aerospace day, field day and field trips.

An organizational meeting for the Murray Lake parent links will take place Tuesday, Dec. 2 at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Resource room at Cherry Creek.

The survey showed high interest in the new Murray Lake School among parents living within Cell 10, the recommended base attendance area for the school.

"Eighty-five percent of those that we counted said yes, they would prefer to go to Murray Lake," White said. "To me, that was quite high."

Cell 10 is the area bounded to the north and west by the boundaries of the LAS district. It includes both sides of Bailey Drive and Burroughs to the south and extends east to the Flat River and Monticain Avenue.

"Our next move will be to identify which kids and parents will actually be at Murray Lake," White said.

That process will involve letters and newsletters to parents in Cell 10 seeking more

definite commitment to sending kids to the new school. School departments will also cross check student lists to ensure students are accurately accounted for. There are currently 262 K-5 students in the Cell 10 area.

Murray Lake will have a capacity of 400 students. White said the goal is to open the school with between 275 and 300 students.

Bordering Cell 10 to the south and east are six much smaller areas, cells 11-16, which may also contribute students to Murray Lake. LAS will have to take further steps to get an idea of interest in these areas. The October survey garnered only 30 responses from these areas, White said, which was too small a response for useful analysis.

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Lowell Airport looks at air easements in pursuit of new status

By J. Lobdell Contributing Writer

The next step for the Lowell Airport Board in pursuing a new status level is a big one—air easements. Jim Sowle, who oversees the airport board, said the airport has spent the last few months working hard on determining what needed to be done to upgrade the airport's status from basic utility to general

utility—the level the airport was at "before all the trees grew up."

This has included a new runway which has been a benefit to the pilots landing. A new taxiway has made it easier to access the plans, and there is the new sign, the result of someone hitting the old one.

Now the airport board is looking at air easements over 10 properties surrounding the

main runway, Sowle reported to the Lowell City Council at its Monday night meeting.

Four of those properties are to the northwest of the runway while six others are to the east. Utilizing the engineering firm URS, the airport board was able to identify the 10 properties and has received permission from all but one to

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Lowell Community Fund accepting requests

The deadline to request funds from the Lowell Community Fund is Tuesday, Dec. 9 at 12 p.m.

To receive consideration and approval, all requests must be for funds that will aid local organizations in providing help to persons in the Lowell area.

The Heart of West Michigan United Way has set the December date aside for those qualified to receive funding for 2004-2005.

It has now implemented a two-year funding cycle, which

means groups interested in receiving funds will submit a formal funding request every other year.

Request forms may be picked up at Dr. James Reagan's office at 207 W. Main or at the main branch of Huntington Bank, 414 E. Main St.

The formal request forms include a demographic data sheet on clients served, how funds from the previous year were spent, and the annual budget for the organization request funds.

From 1955 through 2003, the Lowell Community Fund has dispersed over \$190,000 into the community.

"It is important to note that this funding program is entirely separate from the Harold Englehardt funding program which is handled through the Grand Rapids Foundation," said Dr. Bob Reagan, secretary/treasurer of the fund.

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concerned about the education their student is getting should contact the teachers of their children immediately!

In a letter recently sent to district parents, Mrs. Hopkins and district superintendent, Shari Miller commented that, "It is not our intent to damage the relationship between administration and staff, or between teachers and the community they serve."

This seems ironic when Mrs. Hopkins hears that parents are literally afraid of what the teachers might do if they speak against them at a board meeting yet takes no action to dispel this myth or to defend the teachers. Do you not agree this might tend to damage the relationship between the staff and the parents? I believe that it would.

Lastly, anyone who has a concern about the ongoing contract negotiations in Lowell should come to the next board meeting and if you have a comment, make it. Stand up for yourself and your right to be heard. I will be at every school board meeting until the contract is settled. I will speak at every meeting until the contract is settled. I will speak because it is my right. I will make my voice heard. I will make a difference.

Sharon MacDermaid
Lowell Resident
and Lowell Middle
School Teacher

To the Editor:

Folks driving along Foreman Rd. may have noticed that logs have been selectively harvested from the Cooper Woodland Preserve which is now owned by the Lowell Education Foundation. The Coopers generously donated the property to the Foundation in 2001.

The Foundation's board of trustees wanted residents to know that the harvesting of trees is part of good forest and land management, and removing mature trees allows sunlight, moisture, and soil nutrients to reach the next generation of trees.

As you may know, the lumber is used for such things as homebuilding, cabinets, and furniture. Out of the estimated 10,000 trees located there, we have harvested 285. Within a few years, community trails will cross that area, and the surrounding property will almost certainly be developed, so we will not want to interfere with residents' lives by harvesting them.

A woodlot is a dynamic community of plants and animals, and Mother Nature gladly fills up the spaces where trees have been removed. A conservation easement on the Cooper Woodland Preserve means that the woods will always be there and will never be developed.

The Education Foundation's board members are volunteers. There is no paid staff so all funds we raise go to meet our

mission of providing innovative and creative learning experiences for Lowell Area Schools' students.

Sincerely,
Marsha Wilcox, Chair
Lowell Area Schools Education Foundation

To the Editor,

A lot of things about the school contract negotiations make me wonder.

I wonder if the teachers know what a great district they work for. I wonder why people writing to the editor make it sound like the teachers did it all by themselves.

I wonder if the public knows the teachers' health insurance company (MESSA) is wholly owned by the union (MEA) that represents them.

I wonder why, when Mike Stephens and Sue Burt (from KCEA) keep telling us, on the news, that no school district in Kent County pays premium co-pays, they always forget to say that a third of the districts across Michigan do pay premium co-pays.

I wonder why the teachers' latest door-to-door handout points out the administrators got a two percent raise, more

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vacation and a stipend fails to mention the administrators also pay an insurance co-pay.

The handout also shows concern over how taxpayers' money is being spent. It tells about \$29,000 paid to attorneys for negotiation help. The teachers' insurance premium increase for this year is \$143 per month. For 197 teachers, that's \$338,076, and that's only the increase. Isn't that taxpayer money too? I wonder.

I need to go back to the \$338,076 premium increase. The district doesn't just pay that amount this year, but every year from now on, unless premiums go down. Have health insurance premiums ever gone down? Hmm... something else to wonder about.

Bill Collins

To the Editor,
Lowell Area Residents:

Please don't forget that the entire controversy concerning Sundry Corp. and their "Highland Hill" project comes as a result of the people of Lowell becoming aware of this developer's misrepresentation and intimidating tactics.

This is not an uncommon situation when Sundry Corp. enters a community. Cascade and Ada townships as well as many individuals who purchased homes built by Sundry have had repeated problems. We cannot and do not want to stop growth in Lowell, but simply regulate it.

All one has to do is drive by or into the now eroding development and you will realize how absurd and most of all how dangerous it would be to congest 50 plus houses in there. Remember this means not only the houses but hundreds of

people, hundreds of vehicles of all sorts, more school buses, more traffic all in a poorly planned and unwanted development. Grindle Drive is already dangerous - not to mention James St.

Even Dave Austin, from Williams and Works, the city's engineering consultants, has always said that it's a "bad idea." Lowell has constantly gone out of its way to accommodate Sundry Corp. Now it should stop! Enough is enough!

I ask you to go look, ask questions and become knowledgeable and vote "no" Dec. 9 on this project. Thank you.

Simon F. Rosenbaum Jr.
30-year Lowell resident

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Revenue sharing likely place for cutbacks in state budget

By Dan Schneider

The governor and legislators in Lansing will soon be making decisions on how to deal with the state budget deficit. One way the impact will likely be felt in Lowell is in reductions to state revenue sharing.

An Oct. 14 revenue estimating conference determined the budget deficit to be approaching \$920 million. The state typically schedules two revenue estimating conferences each year. The October conference was added to account for unforeseen revenue shortfalls.

"Michigan has had significant manufacturing loss, we are really taking the brunt of the economic downturn," state representative Jim Koeetje said. "This has had significant impact on the state budget that was not anticipated when the budget was passed."

The budget for fiscal year 2004, which began Oct. 1, passed in July. The governor and state legislators are currently looking for ways to trim that budget. On Nov. 5 the House passed a bill to consolidate state human resources from 11 departments into one. The governor has also issued several executive directives cutting back on things like non-essential travel and wireless communication usage.

These are examples of the state cutting "little bits and pieces, trying to stay away from cutting major programs," Koeetje said, adding, "the things we are doing are not going to close the gap as much as we need to."

The state constitution requires that the governor keep the state budget balanced.

Statewide, 1,800 local units of government receive revenue-sharing funding. These include cities, villages, townships and counties.

Public Act 140 of 1971 authorized state revenue sharing. In its history, it has frequently taken cuts in the name of a balanced budget. Koeetje expects it to fall under the scalpel again this year.

"There will be some cuts to revenue sharing. I am quite sure, ultimately, that is something that will have to be done," Koeetje said. "Local units of government will be well advised to begin to prepare for that."

Revenue sharing is a significant sum in the state budget, estimated at \$1.41 billion for this fiscal year. Revenue sharing funds come from state sales tax redistributed to local governments.

"It's the most significant unrestricted state money to municipalities," Kelly Bartlett said.

Bartlett is legislative assistant to 29th district state senator Bill Hardiman.

There are two types of revenue sharing: constitutional and statutory. Constitutional revenue sharing consists of 15 percent of state sales tax. This money is apportioned to municipalities on a per capita basis. Since this revenue sharing is constitutionally mandated, the amount fluctuates only according to changes in sales tax intake. For this fiscal year, constitutional revenue sharing accounts for \$683 million of total state revenue sharing.

Statutory revenue sharing is calculated and distributed according to more complicated formulas. Not protected by the constitution, the statutory revenue sharing is vulnerable to cuts. This year, \$725 million of state revenue sharing is statutory.

In Lowell, revenue sharing for 2004 is projected to be \$447,900, or 18.7 percent of the General Fund budget.

"It's been roughly \$400,000 a year in the last few years, so it's a significant portion of our budget," city manager, Dave Pasquale said.

The statutory portion of Lowell's revenue sharing for this year is projected to be \$169,000.

"That's roughly the

equivalent of two mills," Pasquale said. "We would have to raise taxes two mills to make up for that."

"If you take that out you are going to have to make some cuts someplace or you are going to have to look at reducing the workforce."

It is to Lowell's advantage that the greater portion of its revenue sharing is constitutional and not subject to budget cuts. For several communities, the majority of revenue sharing is statutory.

"Relatively speaking, Lowell is in better shape than many other units in how it would be affected if state revenue sharing was cut completely," said David Zin, economist with the state senate fiscal agency.

A complete cutting-out of statutory revenue sharing will not likely happen, however, because of the huge impact it would have on some

cities. Detroit would lose \$220.7 million if statutory revenue sharing were eliminated from the 2004 budget. It is more likely that cities will lose only a percentage of the statutory funding.

The state has shown a willingness to make major budget cuts, however.

On Nov. 6, Gov. Jennifer Granholm announced in a letter to state legislators a \$196 cut to the per student foundation grant for the state's K-12 public schools. The School Aid Fund accounts for \$361 million of the state budget gap. Legislators have until Dec. 5 to come up with a less drastic plan for cutting school expenditures.

This week the governor will sit down with state legislators to begin making budget decisions, Greg Bird said. Bird is the director of communications for the State Budget Office. The next step will be for

Gov. Granholm to issue an executive order on the budget.

"We're looking at some time in the month of November, early December that she will issue an executive order on the budget," Bartlett said.

The state senate and house of representatives will have 10 days to accept or reject the order. They cannot make changes, but rejecting the order sends it back to the governor to create a new executive order. The process repeats until the governor issues an order to the legislators.

"We hope to have a bipartisan solution done by Christmas," Bird said.

It is important that these budget decisions be made quickly. The longer the state runs on its current budget, the steeper the cuts will have to be to balance the budget by the end of the year.

Historical society awarded grant



Pictured, left to right: Lowell Area Community Fund Advisory Committee chair, Kate Dermocoeur; Fallsburg Historical Society board members Bill Van Vugt, Kick Sulin, Virginia Tichelaar, Ferris Miller and Ed Roth.

By Dan Schneider

Representing the Lowell Area Community Fund, Kate Dermocoeur gave the Fallsburg Historical Society Board a symbolic check at their fall banquet Monday evening. The check represented a grant to the society from the Lowell Area Community Fund.

This is the second year the Community Fund has given the society a grant to hire a part-time director. Having a director allows the society's volunteers to do more in the historic village of Fallsburg.

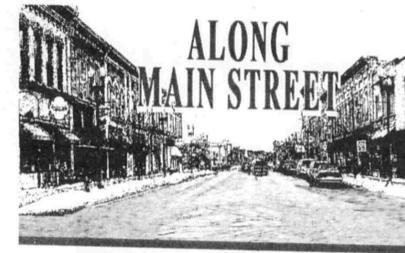
The fall banquet also included dinner as well as music and storytelling by Marge Adams.

This year's grant includes \$13,000 and a challenge. If

the Fallsburg Historical Society can raise an additional \$5,000 on its own, the Community Fund will match that sum.

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Gently used sports equipment of all kinds is being collected to distribute to kids in Grand Rapids Public Schools. Please drop them off at the Lowell YMCA Fitness Center. For more info, call Ethan Drain at 897-5640 or Ken Hayes at 897-2699.

LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLDS
Commodities will be distributed Dec. 4 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Moose Recreation Building, 1320 E. Main. Call 897-5150 or 897-8754. Commodities include: apricots, asparagus, dehydrated potatoes, green beans, oil, peaches, peanut butter, pears, powdered milk, pudding, salmon, tomato sauce, frozen beef.

KDL BRANCHES CLOSE FOR HOLIDAY
The 18 branches of Kent District Library and the Service Center will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 27 for Thanksgiving and resume regular hours on Friday.

CHRISTMAS WREATH FUND DRIVE
Help support the Fallsburg Historical Society and Lowell citizens by donating a minimum \$18 to the society. Donate by Nov. 19 and receive a Christmas wreath as a thank you.

LAAC, LAS Education Foundation sponsor Extreme Literature event

By Dan Schneider

The first Extreme Literature event will take place Saturday, Nov. 22 at Aquinas College in Grand Rapids. Created by the same people who started the Extreme Media event held recently at Lowell High School, the literature event will include several presentations by Lowell-bred literati.

Lowell High School graduate, John Butler, currently a teacher at Kendall College, will lead sessions on dialogue and the writer's voice.

Kate Dermocoeur of Lowell will present freelance writing.

LHS teachers, Laurie Kuna and Shelley Swift will lead sessions on short story writing and holocaust literature, respectively.

Brad Haight, an LHS graduate and a driving force behind the Extreme Media workshop, will talk about screen writing. Haight is now an independent filmmaker in Los Angeles.

Ian Haight, an LHS graduate and an American poet in

Korea, offers sessions in poetry and translation.

Dan Schneider of *The Lowell Ledger* will lead a session dealing with newspaper journalism and narrative non-fiction.

The Extreme Literature event will take place in the Wege Center, 1607 Robinson Rd. from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The event is targeted at high-school age writers, who can sign up for the event through Friday. Adults and

college students interested in observing the teaching processes can also sign up. The registration fee is \$5. For more information or to register, contact organizer Deb Duiven at 897-6348.

The Lowell Area Arts Council, the Lowell Area Schools Education Foundation, Lake Michigan Credit Union, Aquinas College and Kent Intermediate School District are the event sponsors.

It is a luxury to be understood.
—Ralph Waldo Emerson

Wreaths are available Dec. 6. Call Kerry at 897-7161 to donate or for info.

LAAC GALLERY OF CHRISTMAS GIFTS
Visit the Lowell Area Arts Council's "Sleigh Bells and Holly: A Gallery of Fine Art and Gifts" now thru Dec. 23. Artists and artisans from the Greater Lowell community will present a wide variety of gifts for your holiday shopping.

BLOOD DRIVE
Lowell Area Fire Dept. is sponsoring a blood drive for the Grand Valley Blood program on Wednesday, Dec. 10 from 2-7 p.m. at Look Memorial Fire Station, 315 S. Hudson.

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go on the properties and survey the trees.

Next up will be negotiations to either trim the trees back or to purchase the trees so they can be removed. There is no exact cost for the air easement rights, but Sowle said the airport has reached a level where the state will kick in 90 percent of the costs to cover the work, with the city expected to take care of 10 percent.

The board estimates it currently has just under \$40,000, which means the total project could go as high as \$400,000. In reality, the cost to upgrade the status on the airport, which includes lighting issues and fencing along with the air easement, is estimated to be about \$350,000 total, Sowle said.

With the current state budget crunch, questions were raised on whether the airport would ever see the money from the state. Sowle said the money comes from a federal fund for security. The airport has been deemed in need of security upgrades now. "You could snowmobile across it, ride your bike," Sowle explained.

Sowle said he expects it will take about 90 days to secure the air easement rights which will hopefully put the Lowell Airport on the state's agenda for the spring and in line for the monies needed to complete the project.

LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS BOARD BRIEFS

Regular Meeting of November 10, 2003

ADDITION TO THE AGENDA - The Board added an agenda item to go into closed session to discuss negotiations at the end of the regular meeting.

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT - Matt Hansen reported that the Student Council will sponsor a blood drive at the High School on Friday. Students will also be involved in a food drive for the food pantry at Flat River Outreach Ministries and will adopt some families for the Holiday Season.

STUDENT RECOGNITION - Board members recognized the following students:

Middle School Character Award - Patrick Misner - 7th grader

Cherry Creek Character Award - Tyler Prill - 3rd grader

Character in Action Award Winners from Cherry Creek - Joe Sweet, Patrick Dorsey, Justin Bedard, Shelby Mitchell, Emily Jelsma, Sarah Mundwiler, Ashley White, Tyler Prill, Grace Inda, Nick Deshaw, Chelsea Comdure, Nick Curtis, Jacob Stephens, Zachary Vanderstelt, Josh Skinner, Tad Rogers, Meghan Loser, Paige Hale

Cherry Creek Students, Jack Dues and Conor McCarrey for their artwork traveling to China as part of the MSU's 4-H Children's Art Exchange Program

LHS Equestrian Team Division B State Champions: Coach Gail Parker, Jessica Hamp, Steven Koning, Kelly Foote, Lindsay Foster, Kim VandenBerg, Michelle Wolf, Collette Benmark, Lauren VanEns, Cara Wilcox.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION - Board members recognized Cherry Creek 5th grade teachers, Paul Jacobus and Cindy Young who were recently recognized at a ceremony sponsored by the Kent County Association for Gifted and Talented. They were nominated by former students, Samantha Hagerman and Megan Eaton.

STUDENT REPORTS -

Unity School - Michigan's History Coloring Book - Marlene Heemstra and student, April Polaski, reported on the Michigan History Coloring Book Project that Unity students participated in with artist Tom Woodruff. The project was funded by the Arts Council of Greater Grand Rapids and the Lowell Education Foundation.

ACTION ITEMS - Accepted the following Gifts:

- Erik Schreur donation of a handmade Eagle Kite showing flight, wingspan, and wing silhouette to be used by the Wittenbach Center.
- David Durkee donation of a viola, case, and bow valued at \$300 to be used by the Lowell Middle School.
- Howard, April, and Amy Leikert donation of jars, bottles, colored eggs valued at \$250 to be used by the TOTS Program art activities.

Approved the recommendation from the Demographics Committee to make Murray Lake Elementary a K-5 building and make the area known as cell 10 as the base attendance area. Adopted the resolution to provide voters with the opportunity to vote upon the county-wide special education millage.

CONSENT ITEMS - Approved/adopted/accepted were:

- Minutes of October 1, 2003 Special Meeting & Closed Session, the October 13, 2003 Regular Meeting & Closed Session, the October 27, 2003 Special Meeting, and the October 27, 2003 Workshop Session & Closed Session.
- The following payment of bills for October 2003:

GENERAL FUND	\$1,091,475.25
SCHOOL SERVICES FUND	
A. Food Service Fund	\$115,046.90
B. Athletic Fund	\$7,794.25
2000 CONSTRUCTION FUND	\$948,362.72
TRUST AND AGENCY FUND	\$53,999.97
2000 Debt Fund	\$325,459.39

- New Hires: Mark Kasmer Assistant Superintendent for Instruction
- Board policy "8280 Electronic Communications Devices - Students"
- Board policy "4105 Energy Management Conservation Policy"
- Overnight Student Trip on March 12-15, 2004 for the LHS Red Dance Team to Orlando, Florida
- Addition of Bowling as a Lowell High School Sport
- Resolution calling for the continuation of a summer tax collection for the 2004 year
- Monday, August 30, 2004 as the first day of school for students for the 2004-2005 school year

Two items from the consent grouping were removed and the following action was taken:

- Tabled the purchase of 2 buses.
- Ratified the Bus Driver Contract for the 2003-2004 school year.

COMMUNITY WELLNESS PROGRAM - Ann Mulder briefly explained the establishment of the Community Wellness Program and introduced the Community Wellness Coordinator, Jessica Johnston. Jessica will be working one-half time in the school district and one-half time in the community. The program is funded through the Lowell Area Community Fund.

THIRD PARTY TESTING PROGRAM - Larry Mikulski reported that through the State of Michigan Lowell Area Schools is a Road Test Site which is located at the bus garage. The Third Party Testing Program has given over 2,225 road tests over the last 3 years.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE - Jim White reported on the progress of the Murray Lake Elementary School. A Family Links Group and a core team will be forming to help with the opening of the new school.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT AND BUDGET UPDATE - Connie

Gillette reported that the student enrollment is down 24 students from last year's count. If the state does cut the per pupil allowance by \$196 per student, Lowell Area Schools will see a shortfall of \$765,000. Budget meetings are planned with staff and community to explain the impact that this will have on the district budget.

NEGOTIATIONS UPDATE - Connie Gillette outlined the latest negotiation details for the teacher and support staff unions. The next mediation session is scheduled for November 20.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - The following people addressed the Board regarding staff negotiations: Sandy Sebastian, Dawn Crook, Laurie Kuna, Shelley Swift, Jeff Larsen, Ana Dunn, Gary Fredline, Kate Bredwell, Rollee Lubbinge, Vicki Fredline, Martha Hayden, Julie Davis, Bill Stuffer, Sharon MacDermaid, Lorraine Freedlund, Carmen Reynolds, Suzanne Carr, Tracy Laughlin, Carmen Campbell, Tom Rhein, Kris Kropf, Peggy Kropf, Paul Jacobus, and Pam McMahon. Brian Cook thanked the Board for adopting the resolution to allow voters to decide on the Kent ISD special education millage and asked voters to support the millage.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Shari Miller stated that Nancy Hopkins does not work for Kenowa Hills but rather for the Kenowa Hills Education Foundation which is a separate organization. Administration has tried to get information from MESSA regarding savings based on cost containment measures but has not received the data. She offered a warm welcome to Mark Kasmer, the new Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, and to Jessica Johnston, the Community Wellness Coordinator. Appreciation was extended to the Demographics Committee for all their help with the Murray Lake Elementary School. Congratulations to the Lowell Red Arrows for their win over East Lansing and qualifying to be in the playoffs. Also, congratulations to the Equestrian Team for their State win. Appreciation was extended to the bus drivers and Connie Gillette in resolving the bus driver contract, and congratulations were offered to Alto parents for receiving 99% turn-out at the parent teacher conferences. She received a parent letter thanking the Board for their consideration of the special education millage vote.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:
Board Workshop
Monday, November 24, 2003
Runciman Administration Building - location: TBD - 5:30 p.m.

Regular Board Meeting
Monday, December 8, 2003
Runciman Administration Building - Board Room - 7:00 p.m.
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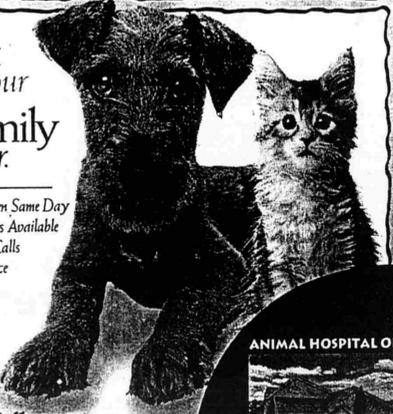
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Opening day good fortune

A total of nine hunters arrive at the Ledger office before noon



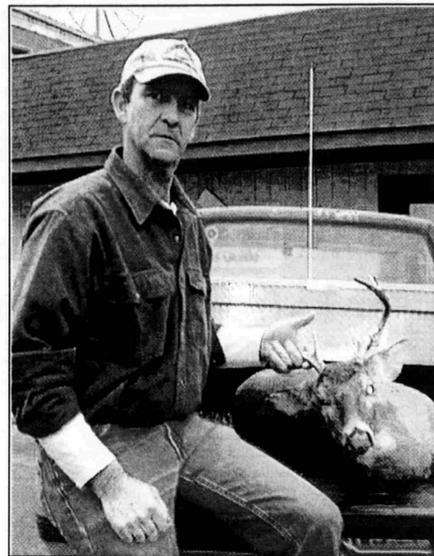
The fourth to arrive at 9:40 a.m. with a five-point buck was Darren Lastfogel and his son Jake.



The sixth hunter to arrive at 10 a.m. was Matt Grieves with a big eight-point buck. It proved to be the biggest rack of the contest.



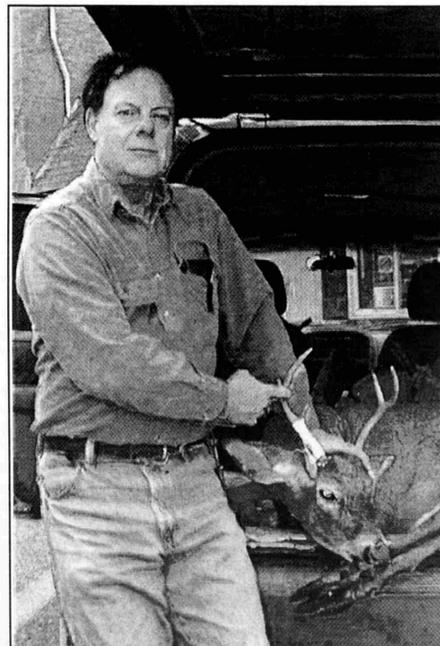
The eighth buck was an eight-point brought in by Joe Sejat and his boys at 10:20 a.m.



Arriving at 9:45 a.m. with a nice six-point buck was Bart Griffith.



Arriving at 10:20 a.m. with his six-point buck was Bruce Langlois, Jr.



The last buck of the morning was a five-point buck brought in by Jack Boss at 10:40 a.m.

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the Riverside Drive location. This is not as effective, however, as a concrete island. Bumpouts shorten the crossing by extending the curb into the road on either side.

Swanson had looked into putting in a traffic light on Main Street at Monroe Avenue in the past. But because of low traffic volume on Monroe, Swanson said, the MDOT would not consider this proposal "in any way, shape or form."

The bumpouts and islands, if accepted by the MDOT, would not likely be

as effective at staggering traffic as a stoplight. However, Valentine feels they will still have an impact in slowing traffic.

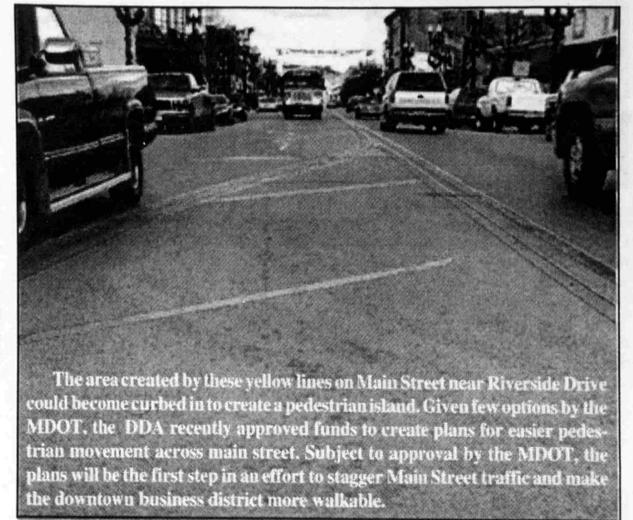
"As (drivers) come into these narrowed down spaces, they will slow down because it is a psychological factor," Valentine said.

At slower speeds, Valentine explained, cars would be more apt to stop and let pedestrians cross. Islands would also be a "pedestrian refuge," allowing a person crossing the road to deal with traffic one lane at a time.

The \$5,700 figure is Wade-Trim's estimated cost to create Lowell-approved drawings and go through the MDOT approval process.

After taking the drawings to the MDOT, Swanson said, "We'll either know there is no concept they will go in on or it will go through."

Swanson estimated the process would take about three months. Assuming MDOT approval, the next step would be to draw up construction plans.



The area created by these yellow lines on Main Street near Riverside Drive could become curbed in to create a pedestrian island. Given few options by the MDOT, the DDA recently approved funds to create plans for easier pedestrian movement across main street. Subject to approval by the MDOT, the plans will be the first step in an effort to stagger Main Street traffic and make the downtown business district more walkable.

City moves forward on PUD ordinance election

By J. Lobdell
Contributing Writer

Lowell Charter Township resident, Simon Rosenbaum, Jr. asked the question everyone is waiting to hear the answer to: "Is there any more information about what is going on with the Sundry project?" The answer he received was that the city really didn't have anything to say about the matter, which is expected to have a hearing this Friday.

Lowell city manager, David Pasquale said all the city can say is that there will be an election Dec. 9 on whether the planned unit development for Sundry's Highland Hills project should be rescinded. "The only thing [clerk] Betty [Morlock] would like people to be aware of is that a 'yes' vote denies or rescinds the ordinance while a 'no' vote keeps the ordinance," Pasquale said.

The Dec. 9 election is to determine whether the city of Lowell residents want to rescind an ordinance that governs the PUD for the property located at 751 Grindle Drive. Sundry has been working on

developing a site plan for a portion of the land, known as the Leeman property. The northern portion of the development, known as the Phillips property, is not under the PUD plan.

Sundry proposed 53 homes for the property with its plans: 52 constructed by the company; one existing home which the current landowner lives in. The construction would be a neo-traditional style development, clustering the homes to allow for about 80 percent green space.

The neighbors objected to the project, raising concerns about traffic and the number of homes on the lot. They collected petitions that were turned in during September to have the matter brought before the city residents for a vote.

Sundry opposes the petition drive stating the ordinance was just the last piece of the puzzle but that the city had approved the PUD months ago. Also, they questioned how the signatures were obtained. After Morlock certified the petitions, Sundry took legal action against the city. The city's attorney and Sundry's attorney have been in litigation over the matter.



The Lowell Ledger and BUYERS GUIDE would like to thank these businesses for their generous prize donations to the First Buck Contest:



Bill Lee, of Superior Furniture in Lowell, is a new member serving on the American Furniture Manufacturers Association for a three-year term beginning in 2004.

The AFMA is headquartered in High Point, N.C. and represents more than 200 leading U.S. furniture manufacturers and 250 suppliers to the furniture industry.

SYNOPSIS REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOWELL CITY COUNCIL NOVEMBER 3, 2003, 7:30 P.M.

Minutes of the November 3, 2003 Regular Meeting were approved as corrected and the Closed Session Minutes were approved as submitted and bills and the accounts payable were approved.

The following motions were approved:

- Motion to approve the expansion of 7.63 acres into Industrial Development District under Public Act 198 for Litehouse, Inc. (1400 Foreman).
- Motion to recommend to the State Tax Commission the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate (P.A. 198) application of 12 years for Litehouse, Inc.
- Motion to approve the MERS Retirement Benefit Increase (Benefit Program E) for Retirees effective January 1, 2004.
- Motion of establish a public hearing for November 17, 2003 to consider a rear yard variance for a proposed duplex at 901 Bowes Road.
- Motion to amend the 2002-2003 agreement with North Kent Transit Service from \$10,000 to \$10,176.
- Motion to authorize the 2003-2004 contract with North Kent Transit Service.
- Motion to approve the survey and design services through Williams and Works for the relocation of the sewer line on Ottawa east to the lift station at a cost of \$3,850.
- Motion to adjourn to Closed Session at 8:37 p.m. pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Act regarding property acquisition and pending litigation.
- Motion to return to open session at 9:04 p.m.
- Motion to adjourn at 9:05 p.m. The next Regularly Scheduled Meeting will be Monday, November 17, 2003.

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



Betty R. Morlock,
City Clerk
City of Lowell

OUTDOORS

By Dave Stegehuis



WHAT NEXT?

We often think about hunting from a historical perspective. For example, the pilgrims hunted wild turkeys with flintlock muskets in order to survive the long New England winters. The pioneers hunted buffalo on the great plains as they followed their dreams across a new country.

Later, farm boys bagged squirrels for the Sunday dinner pot with small caliber single shot rifles. As late as the 1950's, deer hunters donned red plaid wool coats and carried open sight 30-30 lever-action carbines to stalk deer in the far north woods. It was all just that simple. The game is still there to be hunted in much the same places as before. The hunter, however, will look much different today.

Technology has caught up with the hunting crowd as it has

with everyone else. Thumbing through a fall hunting catalog I came across the following items which were not available a few years ago: Game animals, especially deer, depend on their nose to sniff out dangerous predators. Hunting down wind from deer is necessary in order to get close to the animal. Now, scent proof clothing and footwear make wind direction less important.

Concealment is important when observing game. Portable pop-up blinds can be quickly set-up at remote locations. Hand-held global positioning systems with downloaded maps make navigation through unfamiliar territory a breeze. Handy two-way radios keep hunting partners in continuous contact throughout the day.

Determining what animals and how many are in an area requires practiced scouting skills. The task is made easier with an infrared camera fastened to a tree to keep an eye on game movement when the hunter is out of the woods. Hearing the telltale sounds of approaching game can be a great advantage to the hunter. An electronic hearing device can aid in picking up the most subtle scurrying in the forest.

Motorized decoys give battery powered realism to a decoy spread for drawing in passing waterfowl. Holographic technology is used with sighting systems for handguns, rifles, and

shotguns. Range finders report the distance to objects by reflecting a laser pulse off the selected target. ATV's equipped with an unbelievable array of accessories transport the rider and a lot of gear into the back country far beyond the highway.

The above is only a short list of what is available to the modern hunter. What will they think of next? Anything that enhances safety or the prospect of taking an animal in a humane manner should be considered necessary. Beyond that, we have to make individual decisions on how much of this stuff is really needed for hunting. It is up to each of us to determine what he or she feels is proper and ethical within the law. The pilgrims didn't have the technology available today, of course, but they still had a festive Thanksgiving. You have a good one too.

Sharing The Vision

SHARI MILLER
Lowell Schools Superintendent



During the month of November, we pause to think about our rich heritage and the many blessings we have as individuals, as a school district, and as a community. The week of Nov. 17-21 is also American Education Week: a time for us to share our appreciation with school staff members, to celebrate the accomplishments of our children, and to inspire each other to keep children as our primary focus.

In addition to the blessings that we celebrate, we also need to work together to face the challenges ahead. Lowell, like school districts across Michigan, is facing a potential cut this year of \$196 per student which for Lowell Area Schools is approximately \$750,000. We are also anticipating that our expenses will increase next year resulting in the need for additional cuts.

Kent County has identified one way to increase revenue to help support the special education costs that face each district. Districts across Kent County will be participating in a special education millage vote on Feb. 24. One mill will be generated by this vote, creating approximately \$518,000 in revenue from the Lowell area with 77 percent or \$390,000 coming back to Lowell Area Schools. 23 percent will go to support special education programs throughout the county. A one-mill increase will cost the owner of a \$100,000 home \$50 per year. More information regarding this election will be shared in the next few months.

As we work through these challenging economic times, we are committed to focusing upon what is best for children. We are thankful for the strong foundation that our community has developed for families and for education. Thank you, community members, for all that you do for our children and our schools. Best wishes for a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Your comments about this matter or any issue would be greatly appreciated. Send to Superintendent Shari Miller, Lowell Area Schools, 300 High St., Lowell, MI 49331 or smiller@lowell.k12.mi.us (check out our Web page at Jones Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent Lowell Area Schools 616-897-8415; fax: 616-897-5564.

NOV. 10, 2003

G. PATRICK HILLARY
(Judge)
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TO: DEFENDANT,
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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 DECEMBER 23, 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 for 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, PASCUAL LOPEZ-VELASQUEZ 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.

During the month of November, we pause to think about our rich heritage and the many blessings we have as individuals, as a school district, and as a community. The week of Nov. 17-21 is also American Education Week: a time for us to share our appreciation with school staff members, to celebrate the accomplishments of our children, and to inspire each other to keep children as our primary focus.

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EVERY OTHER SUN: Single adults meet 4 - 5:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church of Lowell. Social time/lt. Bible study. Mark 897-8642/Tammy 897-0872.

EVERY MON.: LHS Fellowship of Christian Athletes & Friends, 7-8:30 p.m. in members' homes. 676-1355.

THIRD MON. OF EACH MONTH: Fallsburg Historical Society monthly board meetings at Chamber office or Fallsburg at 7 p.m. All invited. Call 897-7161 for info. or location.

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

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

THIRD MON. OF THE MONTH: Lowell Showboat Garden Club, 7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall of Nazarene Church. Call Dave, 897-2533.

MON. OR TUES.: Cub Scouts, 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, 3116 Alden Nash S.E. at 7 p.m.

EVERY MON.: Boy Scout Troop 102, 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 Room, 725 Bowes Rd.

2ND & 4TH TUES.: MOPS - Mothers of Preschoolers ...because mothering mat-

ters. 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 D.W. Richardson Center, 5255 Grand River Dr. 6:30 social time; 7 p.m. program. Sandy, 285-0621.

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

TUES.: Flat River Woodcarvers, LAAC, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

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

SECOND & FOURTH TUES.: Saranac Needlers, needleart/quilting bee meets 5-8:30 p.m. at the 4 Health Wellness Center in Saranac. Come for all or part time; all are invited. Contact Bev or Melissa at 642-6466 for more info. Light dinner provided.

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

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

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

EVERY THIRD TUES.: Beginning January '04, the Saranac Scrappers, new scrapbooking/journaling group will meet at 4 Health Wellness Center, Saranac, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Lt. refreshments served. Call Bev or Melissa at 642-6466.

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: Sarah 281-6588.

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

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

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

EVERY WED.: "Peppers" at Franciscan Life Process Center: 1:30 p.m. \$10/wk. 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.

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. 897-7842.

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

THURS.: Weight Watchers, Lowell Nazarene Church, 201 N. Washington, 5:30 p.m. Register 1/2 hr. before meetings. 1-800-651-6000.

EVERY SECOND THURS.: Loyal Order of the Moose, men's general meeting at 7:30 p.m. -? All members in good standing may attend.

THURS.: Saranac Area Musicians and Singers at Saranac H. S. Band Room. Choir: 6-7 p.m./ band: 7-8 p.m. Kathy Maatman 897-5981

EVERY THURS.: Pottery classes, Franciscan Life Process Center, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Call 897-7842

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

FIRST THURS.: 4-H drama club meetings at Lowell Middle School choir room. 897-1502 after 5.

FIRST AND THIRD THURS.: Alto Lions Club at Annalaine's on S. Alden Nash Ave. at 7 p.m.

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

EVERY 3RD THURS.: Rubber stamping group, Christian Life Center 6-9 p.m. Create scrapbooks, etc. Share supplies. 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. Call 897-7842.

EVERY THIRD THURS.: Royal Arch Masons, 7:30 p.m., Lowell Masonic Center, 119 Lincoln Lake. 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. 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 at 10:30 a.m., Averill Historical Museum, 7144 Headley, Ada.

SECOND SAT.: Lowell Amateur Radio Club, Lowell City Airport, 730 Lincoln Lake NE. 9 a.m. social time; 10 a.m. meeting. LARC sponsors 145.27 MHz area radio repeater system.

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

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

FLAT RIVER 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. Weekly specials.

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

LOWELL AREA ARTS COUNCIL: 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.

FRI., NOV. 28: Artist K. Mooney, reception at LAAC from 5-8 p.m. Glass, jewelry, holiday art cards to purchase.

MON., DEC. 1: Athletic Booster regular meeting at 7 p.m. in high school staff lounge.

THURS., DEC. 4: Commodities will be distributed from 9 - 4 p.m. at Moose

Recreation Bldg., 1320 E. Main. Call 897-5150 or 897-8754 with questions. A list is in Along Main St.

SAT., DEC. 6: Santa Claus Parade at 10 a.m. in downtown Lowell.

SAT., DEC. 6: Family Advent Workshop/ Open House at 4 Health Wellness Center in Saranac, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Create holiday ornaments, decorate cookies. Call 642-6466 by Dec. 1 to register.

WED., DEC. 10: Lowell Area Fire Dept. blood drive from 2-7 p.m. at Look Memorial Fire Station at 315 S. Hudson.

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

SPECIAL EVENTS

WED., NOV. 19: 10 a.m. Advisory Council.

THURS., NOV. 20: 12 p.m. Dance Westside Complex.

FRI., NOV. 21: 12:45 p.m. Shop Horrocks & G.R. Meijer; 12:45 p.m. Bingo.

MON., NOV. 24: Dinner at Keiser's.

THURS.: 9 a.m. Walk/Shop at Malls; 9:30 Crafts; 1 p.m. Euchre.

FRI.: 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall.

TUES., NOV. 25: 12:15 Alto School Luncheon; 4:30 Dinner at Deer Run.

WED., NOV. 26: 8 a.m. Traveling breakfast; 12:45 p.m. Shop Meijer.

THURS., NOV. 27: Happy Thanksgiving! Center Closed.

FRI., NOV. 28: Center Closed.

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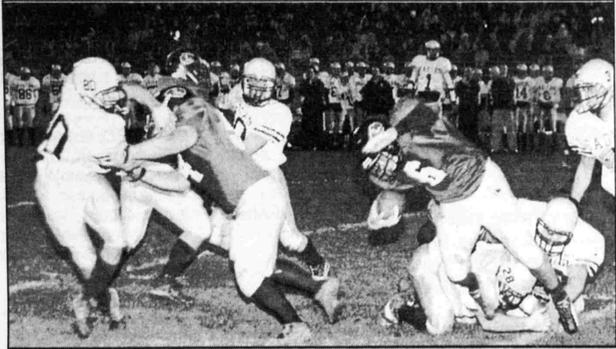
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Lowell drops thriller to Eagles

...Red Arrows stung by five turnovers in 57-56 double overtime

"I've never been in one coaches, players and the Hudsonville coach, Dave Duram. "These are the heart like this," explained 5,200-plus spectators.



Ryan Esbaugh struggles for a few yards against the Eagles. Lowell lost the Division II regional championship game 57-56 in double overtime.

Lowell football coach, Noel Dean.

Indeed, Friday night's Division II regional championship was rarefied air for



Mike Koster looks down field after one of his nine receptions.

in double overtime.

The amazing Eagle victory advances Hudsonville (10 and 2) to the semifinal on Saturday against Rochester Adams (10 and 2).

"I don't want to talk about going on. It doesn't mean anything right now. We're going to enjoy this one," said an emotionally spent

until being ruled down just inches short of the goal line. "We thought the play was there and Mike could get in," Dean said. "I'm very proud of these kids. They have come a long way and have worked so very hard."

It's the type of call that Dean's counterpart has made a few times over the years.

"It was a gutsy call. But Lowell plays with guts. Lowell is a class football program. The coaches are well prepped and the kids are prepared. It was a shame either team had to lose," Duram said.

Hudsonville needed just two plays before Cody Weiss escaped around the left side for an eight-yard touchdown run. Tyler Burke followed with the all important and game-winning extra point.

Hudsonville got the ball first in the first overtime. On its second play from scrimmage, Trevino found Jesse Reimink in the corner of the end zone. The Eagles lined up for the extra point but Trevino took the snap, rolled out and hit JD Steenland for the two-point conversion, giving the eagles a 50-42 lead.

Moments later, Lowell's attack kids. I aged about 33 years tonight. I thought we were going to win and then lose about 57 different times tonight. This game was 12 heart attacks and three strokes in one."

The Eagle win exacted revenge for its heart-breaking loss to the Red Arrows in last year's regional final. "This is the best game I've ever played in. It was so emotional," said Trevino.

All three of Trevino's scoring scampers were of the electrifying sort. His first touchdown of the night came on a 54-yard run. He later scored on runs of 59 and 32 yards.

"Lowell did a terrific job of shutting down our passing attack," Duram explained. "But with Brek we always have the option of him running."

Trevino ran the ball 18 times for 163 yards, scoring three touchdowns and passing for two more. Lowell picked him off three times.

The score was tied 50-50 heading into the second overtime when Kyle Rozema went up over two defenders to pull in a Ryan Dykhouse pass, giving the Red Arrows a 56-50 advantage.

A two-point conversion attempt failed when Lowell's Mike Koster took the extra point snap and surged forward



Ryan Dykhouse finds running room around the right end against Hudsonville.

Dykhouse scored on a one-yard burst. He then fired a pass between two defenders to all-state receiver, Koster for the two-point conversion. Koster pulled in nine receptions for 140 yards, a touchdown (29 yards) and a two-point conversion.

Dykhouse was 15-of-26 for 267 yards, two touchdowns and three interceptions. He also ran for three touchdowns.

Lowell committed five turnovers in the game; Hudsonville had three.

"You can't turn the ball over five times against a quality opponent. You can't give a team like Hudsonville that

many opportunities," Dean said.

Lowell fullback, Ryan Esbaugh rushed for 109 yards and scored three touchdowns. His final touchdown came on a six-yard rumble where he literally dragged would-be Eagle tacklers into the end zone with him. His other scores came on runs of two and eight yards.

"It was a good game and I have great respect for Dave and his program. He is a class act and his kids are all class," Dean said. "I hope they win it all."

Lowell's fast start sends Sailors packing

...Near perfect first half enables Arrows to blow past S. Christian

Most considered South Christian to be the best girls basketball team in West Michigan.

Most thought Lowell to be one of the top five teams in the area.

By the time the Red Arrows were through dismantling South Christian 56-41 Thursday night, many may have changed their way of thinking.

"Lowell is a great basketball team. They are not champions of the OK White for nothing," said Sailor coach, Jim DeBruyn. "They got off to a quick start and took away our confidence."

Four consecutive three's to end the first quarter and to start the second quarter will do that to a visiting team... as will a stifling defense which helped create 15 first-half Sailor turnovers. Lowell held the high-powered South Christian offense to just 12 points over the initial 16 minutes.

Meanwhile, Lowell poured in 35 points, which included netting 6 three-point shots.

"Everything they threw up went in," DeBruyn explained.

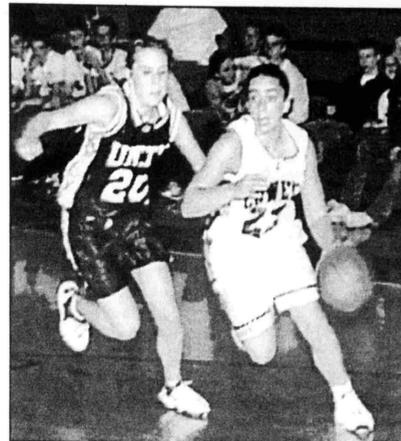
"We talked about guarding the perimeter, but didn't do a good job of that in the first half."

Lowell led 9-6 with a little more than a minute to play in the opening quarter. Back-to-back threes by Keni Gallert and Vallen VanZyll ballooned the Lowell advantage to 15-6. It also started a 24-2 Lowell run.

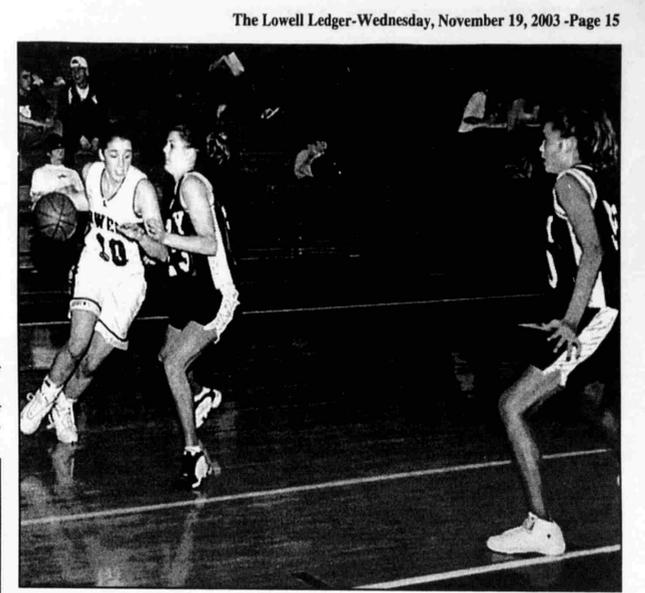
Following a Sailor bucket by Kristin Bergsma, the Red Arrow tandem struck again with back-to-back threes in the opening minutes of the second quarter.

Gallert ended Lowell's 24-2 run with a third three, giving Lowell a 33-8 lead, the Red Arrows biggest lead of the night.

"That is the best half of basketball we've ever played,"



Keni Gallert finds driving space against the Crusaders in Lowell's 35-33 win.



Brooke VanEck drives the baseline against Unity Christian defenders.

Christian fought its way back to within 10 points with a little over a minute to play, but Lowell outscored the Sailors 6-1 in the final minute.

Lowell 35
Unity Christian 33

The two-point win does not reflect how difficult a time Lowell had finishing the season undefeated in the OK White.

In fact, with the exception of about an eight-minute span over the end of the third and beginning of the fourth quarters, Lowell's play did not reflect a club with aspirations

of a perfect 14-0 league record.

The Red Arrows trailed 18-13 at halftime. It wasn't until 1:56 of the third quarter that Lowell regained the lead at 26-25 on two buckets by Amy Oberlin. That started a 13-2 run which propelled the Red Arrows to a 35-27 advantage, with a little less than six minutes to play.

Three buckets by Unity Christian and four misses at the foul line by Lowell gave the visitors the ball and a chance to win the game in the waning seconds.

"We had a shot to win it at the end. That's all you can

ask," said Unity Christian coach, Scott Soodsma. "There was about an eight-minute span in the second half where we weren't at the top of the game. Lowell, being a good club, took advantage of that."

What Lowell didn't do was put the game away when it toed the foul line at the end of the game.

"The girls are excited to win the game and finish the conference season undefeated, but they are not happy with the way they finished the game," said Crowley. "Though, to run the gambit in any league is quite an accomplishment."

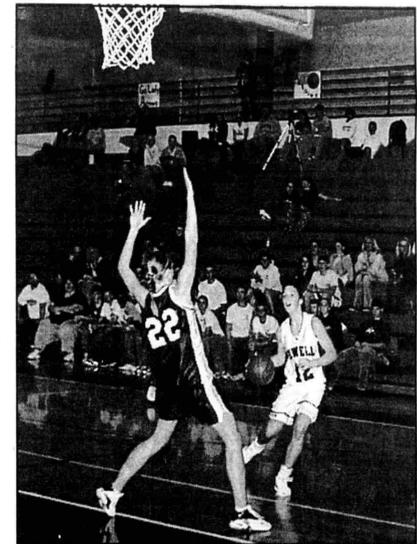
JV girls finish season 19-1



The Lowell JV girls basketball team finished its best season ever with a 19-1 record for the year. Similar to the varsity squad, the JV Lady Red Arrows were undefeated (14-0) in the OK White Conference.

The lone loss suffered by the Red Arrows was to Rockford in the fourth game of the season. Following that loss, the team racked up 15 straight wins to complete the season.

The JV team is coached by Roxanne Gallert. Team members include: sophomores, Hannah Kinney, Mary Calvi, Christine Haynes, Kelly Malling, Edith Chittenden, Audrey Grummet and Rebecca Duley. Freshmen Lyndsey Trierweiler, Austyn Foster, Kelsey Crowley and Brittany Bueche rounded out the roster.



Amy Oberlin drives to hoop in action against Unity Christian.

said Lowell basketball coach, Dee Crowley. "We hit threes, won loose balls, rebounded, dove for balls, and played outstanding defense."

South Christian showed why they are OK Gold conference champions in the third quarter. The Sailors, trailing 39-14, strung together a 15-2 burst to pull within 12 at 41-29 with one minute to play in the third stanza.

"We didn't adjust well to what they were doing," Crowley said. "That and we missed a number of easy shots. Against good teams like Christian, you have to play four perfect quarters of mental basketball. You can't get into a stalemate mode."

Following a Crowley timeout, her Red Arrows ended the third quarter with back-to-back buckets by Gallert and VanZyll, building the lead to 16 at 45-29.

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poses with his 8-point buck taken at 8:30 a.m. opening day near his home.
This is Luke's first buck.

School Menus
Week of 11/24/03

ELEMENTARY

MON.: Coney dog, tater tots, fruit cocktail.

TUES.: Bacon cheeseburger, baked beans, pineapple.

WED.: No School. Thanksgiving Break!

THURS.: No School. Happy Thanksgiving!

FRI.: No School. Enjoy!

2nd choice for the week: Chef's Choice

Development Principles of Planned Unit Development (PUD) and Smart Growth vs. Development Principles of Conventional Zoning

A PUD encourages developers to be creative when planning to subdivide land and to work closely with city representatives during the approval process. Conventional zoning require developers to layout building sites and roadways in very specific sizes and shapes. Conventional zoning does not tolerate creativity and often destroys our rural character of land. A good PUD plan is one that balances nature with the principles of smart growth.

Principles of PUD

- Shape building sites to fit the land
- Preserve wetlands
- Preserve meaningful open space
- Incorporate good citizen input into site plan
- Provide buffer zones for adjacent property owners
- Preserve rural character

Principles of Smart Growth (Current Development Philosophies)

- Reduce urban sprawl
- Preserve rural character of country side
- People belong in cities
- Meeting individual and family housing needs
- Efficient land use techniques

Principles and Results of Conventional Zoning (Old Development Concepts)

- Dictate exact size and configuration of lots
- Lots are sprawled across entire property
- Buffer zones are whatever "setbacks" are
- Scrape land to fit building sites and roadways
- Unregulated wetlands can be destroyed and removed
- No open space preservation
- No citizen input is used.

PUD/SMART GROWTH (NEW WAY)

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SUNDRY

City purchases property for 4-H Fairgrounds

By J. Lobdell
Contributing Writer

If you look at the home on 475 S. Hudson, it seems a little out of place. It sits between the two entrances of the 4-H Fairgrounds and, if asked, most people would assume the fairgrounds owned it. That assumption would have been wrong until Monday night's Lowell City Council meeting, when the city council purchased the property from the Barton family for \$64,500.

"The family approached us about selling the land," said city manager, David Pasquale, adding that the city will next take bids to demolish the house and garage, something that a couple of the council members were hoping the Englehardt Fund would cover.

"Mr. Englehardt was so interested in the children of the area and since the youth would benefit from the prop-

erty, I support the motion to seek funding from the Englehardt Fund," said mayor, Jeanne Shores who was supporting a motion made by councilman, Jim Pfaller.

Pfaller had moved that the city seek to have the Englehardt Fund cover \$14,500 for the cost of the property, plus closing costs and demolishing costs. The Downtown Development Authority had already agreed to cover \$50,000 of the purchasing costs. The motion failed with councilman, Mike Blough stating he felt the land acquisition was part of the infrastructure of the city - something the city should take care of with its own funds and not rely on outside funding such as the Englehardt Fund.

The motion failed in a tie vote with councilman, Chuck Myers abstaining because he is a member of the Englehardt Board of Trustees. The coun-

cil did approve to purchase the property.

There are no immediate plans for the site other than to

incorporate it into the current fairgrounds property. Blough noted that this (acquisition)

did complete a master plan for the city parks. "When you looked at it, it just made sense

that it would become part of the fairgrounds," Pasquale said.

Eja Salon moves to Main Street

By Dan Schneider



Pictured, from left to right: Nicki Johnson, April McClure-Cowan and Jennifer Baylis.

The Eja Salon moved to a space on Main Street after five years of being located in Grand Rapids. One of the owners, April McClure-Cowan grew up here, so she wanted to have her salon here.

Co-owner, Jennifer Baylis grew up in Ionia. McClure-Cowan estimates they brought about 80 percent of their customers with them in September when they moved from their location on Ottawa Avenue in Grand Rapids.

"A lot of customers will follow you wherever you go," she explained.

McClure-Cowan said she and Baylis liked the space at 204 W. Main because of its

historical character, with tin ceilings and all.

"We didn't want to be in a strip mall, we wanted to be on Main Street," McClure-Cowan said.

Eja Salon will have an open house this Friday (Nov. 21) from 7 to 10 p.m.

"Just so people around—the business owners and people who haven't stopped in yet—can come and meet us," McClure-Cowan said.

There will be drinks and appetizers. Representatives from Eja's hair product suppliers will be on hand with door prizes.

Lowell Area Schools staff are an investment in our community. Our teachers deserve all that they are paid and then some. The board needs to leave their insurance alone!

If teachers pay \$50 for insurance, why should that affect the quality of education? I paid for insurance and that didn't lessen my parenting skills. Are the teachers using emotional blackmail?

Re: Handicapped Parking... I was referring to a Friday night football game. A white van with a handicapped license plate parked and who got out of the white van? A young man who ran off to meet his friends! I think these areas should be patrolled and violators fined.

I would like to know why the big semi trucks on North Monroe aren't stopped. They have cut my cable and telephone lines more than once. Thank you.

From beautiful, sunshiny Florida - it's only 75 degrees this morning. Don't do away with Sound Off! Have a great winter, you Lowellites.

Hey! Where's the phone number for Sound Off?

CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Lowell Planning Commission-Citizen Advisory Committee will conduct a public hearing at their regularly scheduled meeting of Monday, November 24, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, Lowell City Hall, Second Floor, 301 E. Main Street, Lowell, Michigan for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on the following:

- To rezone the northwest corner of Valley Vista Drive and Bowes Road (parcel #41-20-03-478-029) from C-3 (General Business) to R-3 (Multiple Family).

Interested persons may submit written comments or appear in person at City Hall, 301 E. Main, Lowell, MI 49331.



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Alto PTO-Trisha Propst, Kathie Ruesink, Kim DeWard, & Jen Depew. ALL your hard work & volunteering is noticed!!!!!!!!!!!!!! You are TOPS on my list!!

Funny that the school board meeting tape has had "technical difficulties" for the past two months. The public has a right to be heard. The board needs to fix it!

LOWELL WRESTLING CLUB - SIGN-UPS

Thursday, Nov. 20 • Cherry Creek Cafeteria • 6:00 - 7:30 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 2 • Cherry Creek Cafeteria • 6:00 - 7:30 pm

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Any child that is turning 5 years of age in 2004 or older can participate. Cost for joining the club varies depending on age and wrestling season (Folkstyle/Freestyle) \$30 to \$125.

Details presented at signup and depend on parental tournament support. Cost includes: Insurance, t-shirt and organized practices twice weekly.

Please bring a copy of your child's birth certificate with you to signups!

(Not required if you were a Lowell club member last year)

Folkstyle practice starts December 2
Freestyle practice starts February 24

5 and 6-year-old practice will begin January 6

Please check out our website at lowellyouthwrestling.com for practice times and locations. Equipment swap scheduled for December 9 - new equipment purchase scheduled for December 16.



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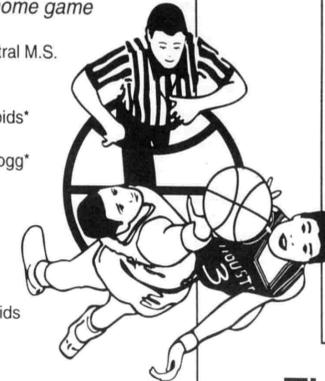
LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS VARSITY WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULE

Boys Varsity Basketball

All games begin at 7:30 p.m.

* Indicates a home game

12/9	Lakewood*
12/12	Forest Hills Central M.S.
12/16	Cedar Springs
12/19	Sparta*
1/6	East Grand Rapids*
1/9	Kenowa Hills
1/13	Thornapple Kellogg*
1/16	Northview
1/23	Greenville*
1/27	Ionia
1/30	Unity Christian
2/3	Cedar Springs*
2/6	Sparta
2/10	East Grand Rapids
2/13	Kenowa Hills*
2/17	St. Johns
2/20	Northview*
2/27	Greenville
3/2	Unity Christian*
3/5	Gold Crossover Game*
3/8	District @ Rockford Time TBA



BOYS VARSITY WRESTLING

* Indicates a home game

12/4	Greenville Quad (5:30 p.m.)
12/6	Paw Paw Team Tourn. (TBA)
12/11	Cedar Springs (7 p.m.)
12/13	Howell Invitational (9 a.m.)
12/18	Sparta (7 p.m.)*
12/27	Grandville Tournament (9 a.m.)
1/8	East Grand Rapids (7 p.m.)*
1/10	Michigan Duals (8:30 a.m.)
1/15	Kenowa Hills (7 p.m.)
1/17	Gary Rivers Invitational (9 a.m.)*
1/22	Northview (7 p.m.)
1/29	Greenville (7 p.m.)*
2/5	Unity Christian (7 p.m.)
2/7	Goodrich Tournament (9:30 a.m.)
2/11	Gold Crossover Match (7 p.m.)*
2/14	Conference (TBA)*
2/19	Team District (TBA)*
2/21	Ind. District @ Mona Shores (TBA)



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Boys Varsity Ice Hockey

All Home Games are at Standard Federal Ice Center * Indicates a home game

11/21	Kalamazoo Blades Tourn. (TBA)	1/16	E. Lansing H.S. (9 p.m.)*
11/22	Kalamazoo Blades Tourn. (TBA)	1/17	West Ottawa (7 p.m.)
11/28	Hudsonville (9 p.m.)*	1/19	Grand Rapids Central (8 p.m.)
11/29	Kalamazoo Eagles (7 p.m.)*	1/23	South Christian (7 p.m.)
12/5	West Ottawa (9 p.m.)*	1/28	West Catholic (8 p.m.)
12/6	Hudsonville (2 p.m.)	1/30	Wayland (7 p.m.)
12/10	Grand Haven (4:30 p.m.)*	1/31	Jenison (7 p.m.)*
12/13	Catholic Central (9 p.m.)*	1/31	G.R. Christian (9 p.m.)
12/19	Kalamazoo Blades (9 p.m.)*	2/6	Holt (TBA)
12/20	DeWitt @ Summit (6 p.m.)	2/7	South Christian (7 p.m.)*
1/3	Northview (7 p.m.)*	2/11	Grand Haven (8 p.m.)
1/9	Wayland (9 p.m.)*	2/21	Forest Hills Northern (5 p.m.)*
1/10	Holt (7 p.m.)*	3/1	Regional Tournament (TBA)*

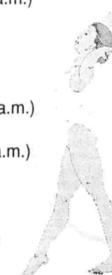


GIRLS VARSITY GYMNASTICS

* Indicates a home game

All home games are in the Aux. gym @ high school

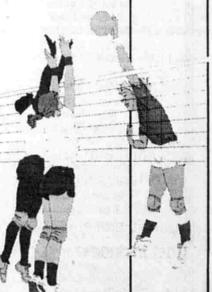
1/3	East Lansing Invitational (11 a.m.)
1/7	Mona Shores (7 p.m.)*
1/10	Rockford Invitational (TBA)
1/14	East Kentwood (7 p.m.)
1/21	Forest Hills Central (7 p.m.)
1/24	Mona Shores Invitational (10 a.m.)
1/28	East Grand Rapids (7 p.m.)*
1/31	Kenowa Hills Invitational (10 a.m.)
2/2	Rockford (7 p.m.)*
2/11	Holland (7 p.m.)
2/18	Kenowa Hills (7 p.m.)
2/21	Conference (TBA)* Main Gym
3/6	Regional (TBA)*



GIRLS VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

* Indicates a home game

12/6	Traverse City West H.S. (TBA)
12/13	Creston Invitational (8 a.m.)
12/27	WMVOA Tournament (TBA)
1/3	Byron Center Tournament (8:30 a.m.)
1/8	East Grand Rapids (7:30 p.m.)
1/10	Portland Invitational (9 a.m.)
1/12	Creston (6 p.m.)*
1/12	Godwin Heights (6 p.m.)*
1/15	Kenowa Hills (7:30 p.m.)*
1/22	Northview (7:30 p.m.)*
1/29	Greenville (7:30 p.m.)
1/31	Belding Invitational (9 a.m.)
2/2	Ionia (6 p.m.)
2/2	Thornapple Kellogg (6 p.m.)
2/5	Unity Christian (7:30 p.m.)*
2/9	Allendale (6 p.m.)
2/9	Belding (6 p.m.)
2/12	Cedar Springs (7:30 p.m.)*
2/19	Sparta (7:30 p.m.)
2/23	Gold Crossover Tour. (7:30 p.m.)*
2/28	Conf. @ Kenowa Hills (TBA)
3/1	Coopersville (6 p.m.)*
3/1	Grandville (6 p.m.)*
3/1	Zeeland (6 p.m.)*
3/6	District @ Owosso (TBA)

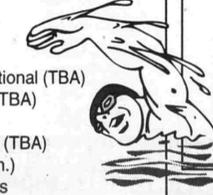


BOYS VARSITY SWIMMING

* Indicates a home game

Games begin at 6:30 unless noted

12/17	Creston
1/13	Union
1/20	West Catholic
1/24	Wayland Invitational (TBA)
1/29	Byron Center (TBA)
2/5	Northview
2/12	Unity Christian (TBA)
2/19	Wayland (6 p.m.)
2/26	Godwin Heights



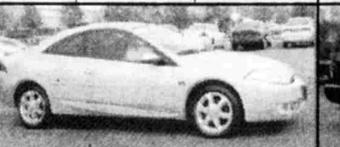
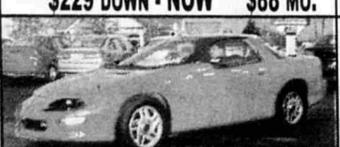
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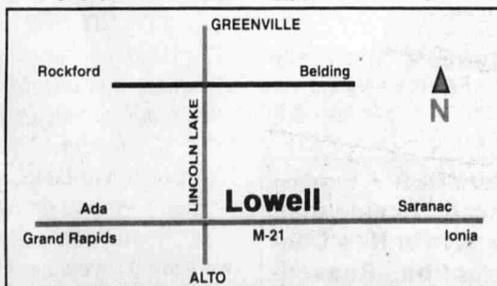


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