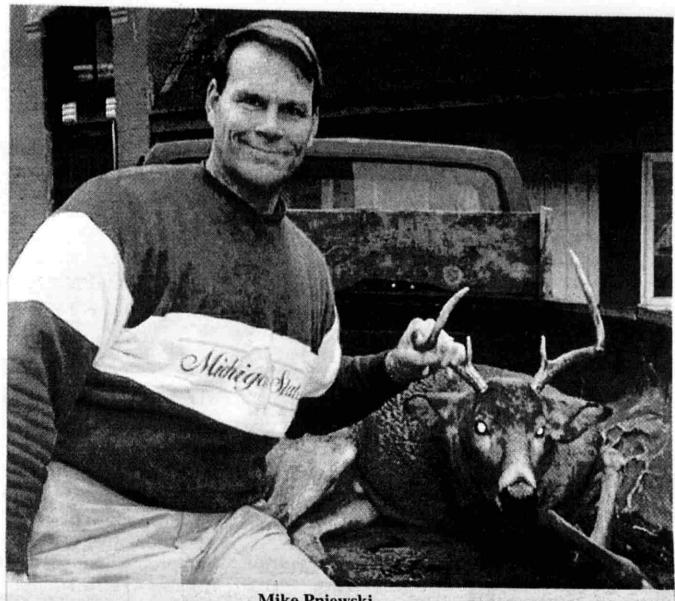
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Wednesday, November 19, 2003

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



he 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 fivepoint - 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

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 Ace Hardware, 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 He took the long 100-yard the buck down with one shot shot with his 12 gauge 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 oneyear 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

he 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.

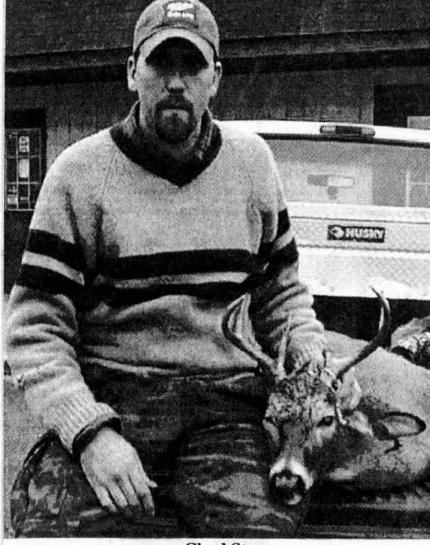
Cliff Yankovich is coowner of Chimera Design at 208 East Main St.

"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.

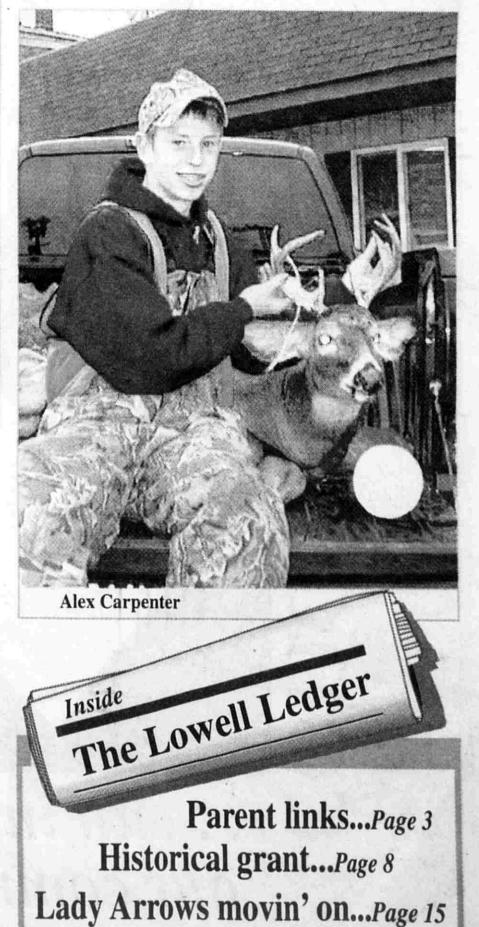
"I just don't see any backups, I mean you only have to wait a minute or two," West said. "I think a lot of my customers park in the back lot and go in the side door."

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

DDA, cont'd., pg. 11



OBITUARIES

GRIEVES - Bryce C. Mc Mahon of Saranac, Dave Grieves, aged 81, of Saranac, (Pat) Grieves of Saranac, and passed away November 17, Sarah Mc Bride of Saranac. 2003 in Ionia. He was born He was preceded in death by September 8, 1922 in Keene one brother Keith; two sisters Twp., the son of Ralph and Helen, Marion; son-in-law Ivy (Hunter) Grieves. He was Roger Rairigh. Funeral serborn and raised on the same vices will be held Thursday at farm and continued to farm Lake Funeral Home in Saand live there until retiring in ranac with Rev. Kenneth 1985. He married Sarah Jane Harger officiating. Visitation (Sally) Bigelow August 25, Wednesday 2-4 and 6:30 1949. He is survived by his 8:30 p.m. Anyone wishing loving wife Sarah Jane (Sally) may make a memorial contri-Grieves of Saranac: son Chris bution to American Heart and (Pam) Grieves of Saranac; Assoc. or American Diabetes daughters Lori Rairigh of Sa- Assoc. ranac, Peggy (Harold) Mc Bride of Saranac; brother LITSCHEWSKI - Adolph

Philip (Bertha) Grieves of Peerless "Sport" Litschewski, Lowell; grandchildren Bryan aged 92, of Lowell, passed

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of our Mom and Grandma,

Nita Baker who passed away

November 18, 2001

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In my heart there'll always be a place for you, for alway

And I always will remember all the strength you gave

'Cause I always saw in you my life, my strength

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And I want to thank you now for all the ways

then I think back on these time

And the dreams we left behind

I'll be glad 'cause I was blessed

When I think back on these days

To get to have you in my life

I'll look and see your face

You were right there for me

I'll keep a part of you with me

And everywhere I am there you'll be

a And everywhere I am there you'll be

Well, you showed me how it feels

To have the sky within my reach

Oh, I owe so much to you

You were right there for me

You were right there for me You were right there for me

our love made me make it through

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> Lowell resident Pieter Serne has been awarded a \$1,250 Agricultural Technology Scholarship by the Michiat the 33rd Conference on gan Dairy Memorial and

Serne was one of five

Mary's Church, Lowell, Fr. ber 5, 1931. Ruth was a retired De Young; a sister Alma

Julia R. Ennis, a 1999 graduate of Lowell High School, will present a project

away on Sunday, November George Fekete celebrant. In-receptionist, a very active Engelsman, both of Grand member of the First Congre- Rapids. She was preceded in gational Church, and a former death by her parents, husband, member of the Traverse City and stepmother Edith Surviving are his daughters WALKER-W. Ruth Walker, Order of the Eastern Star. She De Young. Funeral services Carol (Arthur) Shimmel of aged 95, of Traverse City, is survived by her son Dan were held Wednesday, Nov. Allegan, Linda (Gerald) formerly of Lowell, died Sat- (Betty) Walker; two daugh- 12 at the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Dykstra of Lowell, Rita urday, November 8, 2003, at ters Phyllis (Richard) Becker Funeral Home with Dr. Gary (Roger) Kropf of Comstock the Grand Traverse Pavilions. of Bradenton, Fla., and Sharon Hogue officiating. Burial in Park; seven grandchildren; Ruth was born in Grand Rap- (Kim) Adgate of Eustis, Fla.; Oakwood Cemetery in five great-grandchildren, and ids, the daughter of Reiner seven grandchildren: Ann, Traverse City. Memorials may one great-great-granddaugh- and Phyllis (Pett) DeYoung. Wendy, Terry, Dan, Levi, be directed to the Father Fred ter. Mass of Christian Burial She married Daniel S. Walker Erin, and Seth; 10 great-grand- Foundation. was offered Tuesday at St. in Grand Rapids on Septem- children; a brother Fred (Gert)

COLLEGE NEWS

16, 2003 at his home in Low-terment St. Mary's Cemetery,

ell. He was preceded in death Lowell.

by his wife Barbara in 2000.

Denison University in Scholarship Foundation, Inc. nounced that Lauren Michigan State University Vashaw, a 2003 Lowell High agricultural technology stu-School graduate, is a first-year dents to receive these scholarplayer for the Denison ships. Awards are based on women's basketball team. She academics, extracurricular made all-conference honor- activities and interest in dairy able mention as a senior at industry careers. Lowell High School.

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Senior Engineering Design bachelor's degree in electri-Projects at Western Michigan cal engineering in December University on Dec. 2.

Her project, fault detec-

present the results of their

completed projects.

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Indiana Tech defender in the engineering field, will neering

Ennis, the daughter of of David Stauffer of Jenison James and Rose Ennis of Low- and Deborah Stauffer of Lowell, plans to receive a ell.

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

By Dan Schneider

By J. Lobdell

Contributing Writer

The next step for the Low-

ell Airport Board in pursing a

what needed to be done to

upgrade the airport's status looking at air easements over

from basic utility to general 10 properties surrounding the

interest in a parent links group

tion and user-assisted recovery in an appliance, can be viewed from 9 a.m. - 3:30 Zach Stauffer was named to p.m. at the Bernhard Center the All-Conference team in on the WMU campus. The men's soccer for the Wolverconference is open to the pub- ine-Hoosier Athletic Conferlic free of charge and is spon- ence in the NAIA. Stauffer, a sored by WMU's College of co-captain of the Warriors Engineering and Applied Sci-soccer team, is a sophomore ences. One hundred seniors, majoring in electrical engi-

> The 2002 graduate of Lowell High School is the son

Lowell Community Fund accepting requests

The deadline to request means groups interested in 9 at 12 p.m.

To receive consideration and approval, all requests must picked up at Dr. James that this funding program is be for funds that will aid local Reagan's office at 207 W. entirely separate from the organizations in providing Main or at the main branch of Harold Englehardt funding help to persons in the Lowell Huntington Bank, 414 E. Main program which is handled

The Heart of West Michigan United Way has set the include a demographic data Reagan secretary/treasurer of December date aside for those sheet on clients served, how the fund qualified to receive funding funds from the previous year for 2004-2005.

two-year funding cycle, which request funds.

funds from the Lowell Com- receiving funds will submit a the Lowell Community Fund munity Fund is Tuesday, Dec. formal funding request every has dispersed over \$190,000

Request forms may be

The formal request forms Foundation," said Dr. Bob were spent, and the annual It has now implemented a budget for the organization

Lowell Airport looks at air easements in pursuit of new status

Airport, cont'd., pg. 9

was at "before all the trees to the Lowell City Council at helping to start the parent links its Monday night meeting. there. This has included a new Four of those properties are to new status level is a big one— runway which has been a ben- the northwest of the runway who oversees the airport newtaxiway has made it easier east. Utilizing the engineerworking hard on determining someone hitting the old one. 10 properties and has received

Results of an LAS demo- recommendation that the ing for four or five people and Lake Elementary.

graphics committee survey school open as a K-5 with Cell we got 28."

also informed demographics which I thought was surpris- survey's goal was to measure

showed higher-than-expected 10 as its base attendance area.

"It is important to note

through the Grand Rapids

air easements. Jim Sowle, efit to the pilots landing. A while six others are to the board, said the airport has to access the plans, and there ing firm URS, the airport spent the last few months is the new sign, the result of board was able to identify the

Now the airport board is permission from all but one to Lake. We want to make sure Bailey Drive and Burroughs volunteer has a chance."

group, it will also work with the existing groups at Cherry middle school. Parent links From 1955 through 2003, groups seek to unify parents, letters and newsletters to par-

committee chair, Jim White's ing," White said. "I was hop-people's interest in Murray munity. They fundraise for definite commitment to send-White said 26 percent of White said there were the respondents indicated inactivities such as popcorn

"We had what I thought about 225 responses to the terest in a parent links group, for the new Murray Lake El- was an outstanding response survey out of 400 sent to par- with 28 filling out addresses and field trips. ementary School. The survey to the parent links question ents in mid-October. The wishing to be contacted. "I'm excited to be getting

it in place, I'm excited that the Peterson said. Peterson is a current board Cherry Creek.

member of the Cherry Creek/ Bushnell parent links group. She has one year left of her Lake School among parents term on that board, but with living within Cell 10, the recchildren who will attend utility-the level the airport main runway, Sowle reported Murray Lake next fall, she is

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 boundaries of the LAS dis- analysis. group forming at Murray

While Murray Lake will Avenue. have its own parent links Creek/Bushnell and the Lake," White said.

classroom supplies and pro- ing kids to the new school. gramming as well as sponsor School departments will also cross check student lists to sales, aerospace day, field day ensure students are accurately accounted for. There are cur-

An organizational meetrently 262 K-5 students in the ing for the Murray Lake par- Cell 10 area. ent links will take place Tues-Murray Lake will have a kids will see it," Marie day, Dec. 2 at 6:30 p.m. in the capacity of 400 students. Family Resource room at White said the goal is to open the school with between 275

The survey showed high and 300 students. interest in the new Murray ommended base attendance area for the school.

"Eighty-five percent of will have to take further steps those that we counted said yes, to get an idea of interest in "We've got so many they would prefer to go to these areas. The October sur-Murray Lake," White said. vey garnered only 30 re-"To me, that was quite high."

Cell 10 is the area bounded to the north and west by the trict. It includes both sides of that everyone who wants to to the south and extends east to the Flat River and Montcalm

> "Our next move will be to identify which kids and parents will actually be at Murray

You Need Just ONE

That process will involve teachers, kids and the com- ents in Cell 10 seeking more

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SUN.

Bordering Cell 10 to the

south and east are six much

smaller areas, cells 11-16,

which may also contribute stu-

dents to Murray Lake. LAS

sponses from these areas.

White said, which was too

small a response for useful



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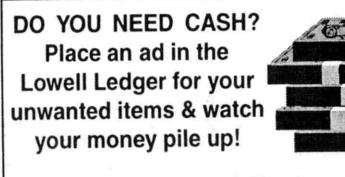
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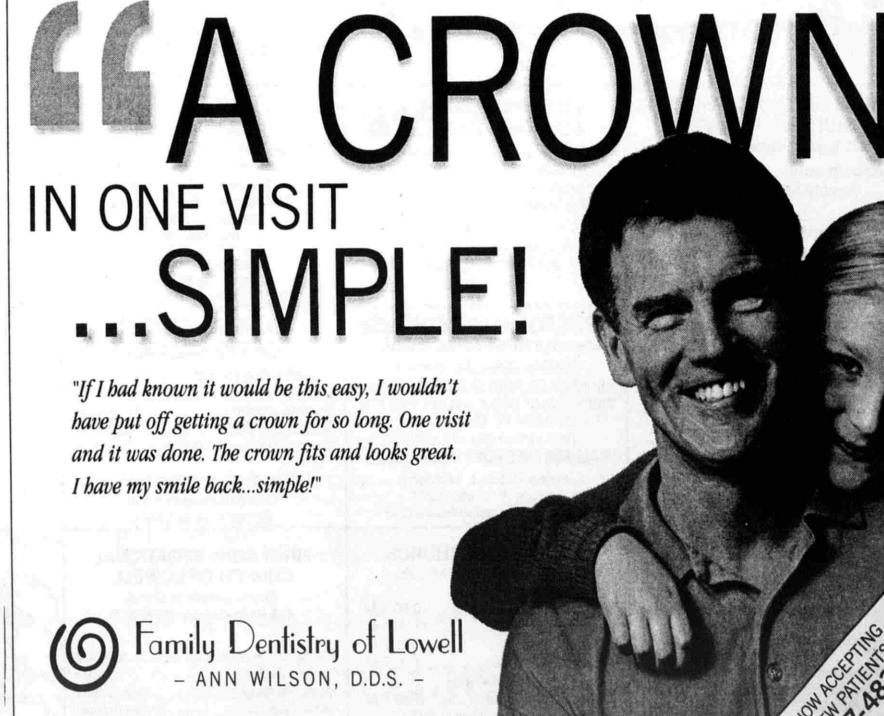
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> The Stinky Cheese A person is to be envied because of the peace they have in thus try to cover it up.

knowing they are accepted by and right with the perfect God, so teaches Psalm 32. This is because guilt from the stuff that stinks in our lives, selfish attitudes and actions, is taken away and covered by God. On the other hand, if we refuse to admit that we are responsible for our deceit before God and our fellow man, and act like we are totally innocent, it is like carrying around stinky cheese!

cheese sitting out. It stinks! We have sitting out our pet stinky joy will carry you when the troubles of life come your way. things like envy, greed, grudges, pride, cheating, laziness, gluttony and prejudices. That stinks too! We talk about getting rid of the stinky stuff but never do anything about it; pretend that it isn't really there; say that it doesn't stink so bad and Forever! expect everyone to get used to it; blame it on someone else and

You can lay a church bulletin over the stinky cheese, or put a thank-you note from someone on it, but the stinky cheese smell is still there. The one way of dealing with the stuff that stinks in your life is wonderfully simple. Just admit specific stinky things to God, and ask Him to change you because of Jesus, then make the change. Say, "God be merciful to me a sinner." God promises to take the stinky guilt away from you We cannot avoid smelling a piece of warm Limburger and freely give you that deep peace and joy. What a relief! That

Now is the time to confess your sins to God. He promises to faithfully forgive and to put your Limburger cheese stuff in an airtight Zip-lock bag, then in the trash, and haul it away.

Alto Girl Scouts will collect toys to benefit Flat River Outreach Ministries

By Dan Schneider

The Alto Elementary Girl Scouts will collect toys again this year along the Lowell

this guy say

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Christmas parade route Sat- tion at Flat River Outreach City Hall and the Englehardt urday, Dec. 6. This is the second year the toys will go toward the holiday toy collec-

PEACE OUT PEACE OUT Merriman said. "It's a local well. charity so all the toys stay in the Lowell area."

> parade. Toys should be new needy children. and unwrapped. The scouts will collect them from parade istries

Flat River Outreach Min- toy drives a success. istries (FROM) will also be Ionia County National Bank, 4189 to sign up.

Library. Food and gifts can be "We would appreciate any dropped off Dec. 11 and 12 support the community can from 9:30 to 4:30 at the Jackgive for Flat River Outreach son Street entrance to the First Ministries," scout leader, Sue United Methodist Church as

Angel trees with tags will here and go to needy families be displayed at Huntington Bank, City Hall, Ionia County The girl scouts will be National Bank, LA Video and walking near the front of the the Englehardt Library for

Flat River Outreach Minhopes observers and hand them to churches, schools, businesses parents who will put them into and individuals will work together to make the food and

Distribution of toys and collecting toys and gifts holiday food baskets will take through Dec. 13 at Showboat place Saturday, Dec. 13. Fami-Automotive, Springrove Vallies in need of food and/or toy riety, Rite Aid, Brenda's Hair assistance should contact the Design, Huntington Bank, FROM food pantry at 897-

The past is but the beginning of a beginning.



The Englehardt branch of Kent District Library is holding a special program for kids that are too old for storytime because they are in school, but they still love a good book. "Big Kids Book Time" will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 2. Kids in grades K-3 will play games and make crafts based on the books they hear. Registration is required.

For more information about the program or to register, call the branch at 647-3920.

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Viewpoint

cozy corner by Roger Brown

My grandson, Boog, will turn five next month. He will family's live-in maid and their driver speak no English. Many leave, my parents could barely understand me. of Boog's friends are Chinese. He has a Chinese class in school garten. I'm totally jealous.

(Madison). The housekeeper, Jim's teacher and others are a full year in Korea, I can count to ten, say "good morning continually complimenting Jim's Chinese. She apparently has kimchi-breath" and politely ask for another egg-roll (hold the pat. They say she "sounds" Chinese. Again, I'm totally jealous. learn a foreign language.

One of my wife's sisters has quads who are seven years old. These nieces and nephews have been in a Spanishimmersion curriculum at their school for two years. They guage. Some people get irritated when trying to deal with a that they are quite fluent. I'm jealous four times over.

workers stay at his farm in the summer to tend and pick his pickles. We kids would hang out with them in the evenings, sample their tortillas, play baseball and joke around as best we could, given the language barrier. Consequently, I can count to ten, say good morning and politely ask for another tortilla in Spanish. Not much to show for the opportunity I had.

In high school we were offered a class in German, taught by a German immigrant. I took the class for a year and studied parts of the world ... Miami for instance. ust hard enough to stay eligible for the football team during the

TO THE EDITOR

You know, one of the great things about this country is

your right to your own opinion and, in my opinion, it's time to

settle the teachers' and support staff contract. I, along with

others, feel we should accept the current offer that we see as

fair. Our problem is that we are being held hostage by the union

great things about this country is if you are unhappy with your

job, you can quit; if you feel you are being abused, you can

leave; and if you feel you are worth more than your bosses are

back to concentrating on why we are truly here, and that's the

children. You remember the children? They are the one group

I would like to follow up on the 11/12/03 letter to the editor

from Carrie Curtis about medical insurance and its impact on

last recession, in 1991, during Desert Storm, things got really

tough for us. One winter day my wife said, the business is way

down, health insurance keeps increasing, one of us ought to get

out and get a real job with benefits. Neither one of us wanted

to leave the business, so we decided to flip a coin. I lost, went

to work on the outside so that we could have a steady income

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willing to pay you, you can test the job market.

we ALL seem to have forgotten about.

the school contract negotiations.

and affordable health insurance.

I took the job I have knowing I would never get rich, but

Dear Editor:

Dear Editor:

who won't allow us to settle.

fall. Consequently, I can count to ten, say good morning and politely ask for another wienerschnitzel in German. I came up empty from another opportunity.

A year or so after high school Uncle Sam got a hold of me. The army at that time had a language all its own. There were military terms for everything and acronyms were everywhere. The army was full of draftees, so dialects, words, terms and jargon from every corner of the country bastardized my already suspect English. On top of that, most of the cadre we were learning from had served in Vietnam. They added another layer of words from the war zone foreign to everybody but us. For all that experience I can count to four in a marching cadence, shout, "good morning drill sergeant" and politely ask have spent more than half his young life living in China. The my drill sergeant for more push-ups. When I came home on

In their infinite wisdom, the army sent me to Korea every day. Last year he attended a Chinese kindergarten where instead of Vietnam. There I was exposed to a foreign language he was one of just a few western kids. Bottom line ... he speaks for over a year. I picked up the basic pidgin lingo that GI's used excellent Chinese at an age when I hadn't even started kinder- to communicate with the people we dealt with out in the villages. It was a mixed up mess of Korean, Japanese, French, I shouldn't leave out my six-year-old granddaughter, Jim English, Vietnamese, Chinese, slang and made-up stuff. After the tough to master pronunciation, diction and inflection down dog meat). Not much to show for another great opportunity to

To say I'm a language under-achiever is an understatement. I am extremely envious of anyone with a second lanrefuse to speak Spanish on command at home, but reports are sales clerk, waiter or someone on the phone with an accent that Friday night, probably with help. is difficult to understand. I simply remind myself that their When I was a kid my grandpa had Mexican migrant English, no matter how poor, is infinitely better than my Spanish, Arabic, Russian, Vietnamese or whatever.

From time to time, my wife and I have considered taking 25 percent live in cities. Spanish lessons. Then the reality of attending classes, cracking the books, practicing and trying to retain what we might learn settles in. The ultimate decision is always ... naw... not now.

On the bright side, I have grandkids, nieces and nephews I can take along if traveling to Chinese or Spanish speaking

Carrie Curtis pays \$973 per month for BCBS for their family. In last week's article she explains that she and her husband are both self-employed and pay the full cost of insurance personally. I also have BCBS. The company I work for just hit us with a 22 percent increase for 2004. With that increased premium, I still pay only \$155 per month for family coverage. I consider that an \$818 gift from my employer every month. My deductible is \$500 per family and office visits are a \$20 co-pay. I pay 20 percent of each prescription with a \$5

minimum and a \$50 maximum. There are a lot of medical technology break-throughs that have increased our longevity and quality of life. But, that comes at a cost. We all need to chip in and help ourselves I like what I do and the people I work with! One of the other through this until the Federal Government can find a better

I'm sure there are teachers that would support a settlement, in spite of the union's stance and some that support the union. I realize that, as a business owner in Lowell, I would be wise I, for one, will be happy to sign the current offer and get not to write this letter and run the risk of offending some of my customers. But, this is America! We are free to express ourselves. We can agree to disagree and still get through this Good luck to our teachers and our school board. I hope

there is a settlement soon.

Sincerely, John Clore

Tim Bergy

After roughly 25 community members made public comments at the Nov. 10 Lowell School Board meeting, with about 23 fully supporting the Lowell Education Association and the Support Personnel Association, board president, Nancy My wife and I also own a business in Lowell. During the Hopkins stated that there were parents in support of the board, but they were afraid to speak out in fear of the possible repercussions to their students by their teachers.

To these unnamed individuals and Mrs. Hopkins, I say the following: How dare you question the integrity and professionalism of any of Lowell's teachers. Any parent who is

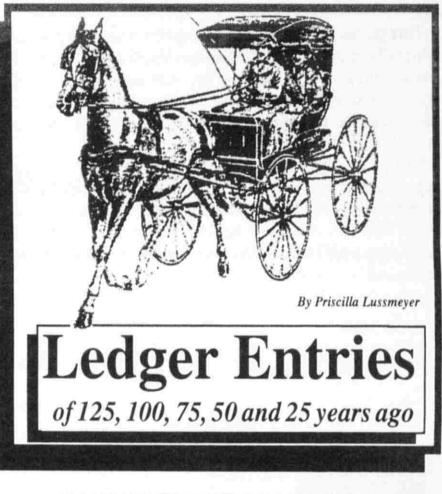
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Letters, Letters, Letters, Letters...

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The Lowell Ledger thanks you in advance for your cooperation.



125 YEARS THE WEEKLY JOURNAL **NOVEMBER 20,1878**

The sidewalk on the depot street is in bad shape, unsafe for pedestrians.

The big sawmill at Belding burned on Monday night. Murderer Daniel VanWagoner escaped from Ionia prison

Prof. Spinary of Detroit will give two Private Lectures to Ladies on Friday and Saturday. Admission 25 cents.

Michigan has about a million inhabitants, of whom about

100 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER **NOVEMBER 19, 1903**

Three properties, all in Sweet & Smith's Addition, were sold in one day last week, two to Lowell Specialty Co. men. Timber work is done and five gangs of men are building concrete and dirt embankments for the new dam before freezing weather sets in.

Mrs. John Flynn of Fallasburg has 48 boarders now, most

Winter started suddenly Tuesday with a sudden drop in temperature, winds and flurries.

A heart party will be given along with dancing school and extra music at Train's Opera House Tuesday.

75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER AND THE ALTO SOLO **NOVEMBER 22, 1928**

The annual Legion Fair opens Thursday with the high school orchestra and merchants' display. Boxing matches and the popular girl contest will follow on Friday and Saturday.

Thirty-one boy scouts saw the UM-MSC game at Ann Arbor last weekend, along with eight drivers and leaders. This is the second year of the scout program.

A Vergennes widow, 65, is arrested in a raid that finds quantities of brandy, moonshine, and beer mash in her home. The county road commission options five acres of gravel

from Allen Bennett of Vergennes, for fill at the Rogue River bridge at Rockford. Inmates of the Reformatory at Ionia are assigned to camps

around the state, where they build and repair roads.

50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER **NOVEMBER 19, 1953**

Council passes an ordinance requiring lock or hinge removal on all refrigerators being discarded

Corn starts arriving for storage in the three quonsets put up on Center Street by the Production and Marketing Administra-

C.H. Runciman Co. breaks its own record, delivering the 100th carload of lime in the '53 season.

George Baker's yearling Jersey heifer wins Junior Division honors at the International Dairy Show in Chicago.

Doug Hartley, Ray Hoag and Dick Bancroft are named to the Grand Valley all-conference team.

25 YEARS THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER **NOVEMBER 22, 1978**

The Chaffee Planetarium at the Grand Rapids Museum enjoys sellout crowds with its display, "The UFO Experience." Jack Staal is the first among several to report their bucks on opening day of deer hunting, a five-pointer.

High school Quiz Bowl contestants for the first match against Hudsonville are Ron Moore, Dave Baerwalde, George King, Mike Lessens and alternate John Waite.

Michigan gears up for recycling huge amounts of bottles and cans as Dec. 3 approaches.

Beer can rings will no longer be detachable; no more necklaces or belts strung together.

To the Editor, continued...From Page 5

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

and district superintendent, Shari Miller commented that, "It is land Preserve which is now owned by the Lowell Education not our intent to damage the relationship between administra- Foundation. The Coopers generously donated the property to tion and staff, or between teachers and the community they the Foundation in 2001. serve."

are literally afraid of what the teachers might do if they speak management, and removing mature trees allows sunlight, against them at a board meeting yet takes no action to dispel moisture, and soil nutrients to reach the next generation of me wonder. this myth or to defend the teachers. Do you not agree this might trees. tend to damage the relationship between the staff and the parents? I believe that it would.

contract negotiations in Lowell should come to the next board few years, community trails will cross that area, and the company (MESSA) is wholly owned by the union (MEA) that meeting and if you have a comment, make it. Stand up for surrounding property will almost certainly be developed, so represents them. yourself and your right to be heard. I will be at every school we will not want to interfere with residents' lives by harvesting board meeting until the contract is settled. I will speak at every them. meeting until the contract is settled. I will speak because it is

Folks driving along Foreman Rd. may have noticed that mission of providing innovative and creative learning experi-In a letter recently sent to district parents, Mrs. Hopkins logs have been selectively harvested from the Cooper Wood- ences for Lowell Area Schools' students.

The Foundation's board of trustees wanted residents to This seems ironic when Mrs. Hopkins hears that parents know that the harvesting of trees is part of good forest and land To the Editor,

homebuilding, cabinets, and furniture. Out of the estimated sound like the teachers did it all by themselves. Lastly, anyone who has a concern about the ongoing 10,000 trees located there, we have harvested 285. Within a

A woodlot is a dynamic community of plants and animals, my right. I will make my voice heard. I will make a difference. and Mother Nature gladly fills up the spaces where trees have that a third of the districts across Michigan do pay premium cobeen removed. A conservation easement on the Cooper Wood- pays. Sharon MacDermaid land Preserve means that the woods will always be there and Lowell Resident will never be developed.

The Education Foundation's board members are volun-School Teacher teers. There is no paid staff so all funds we raise go to meet our

Marsha Wilcox, Chair Lowell Area Schools Education Foundation

A lot of things about the school contract negotiations make

I wonder if the teachers know what a great district they As you may know, the lumber is used for such things as work for. I wonder why people writing to the editor make it

I wonder if the public knows the teachers' health insurance

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

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

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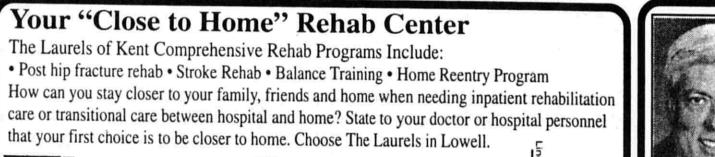
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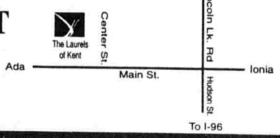


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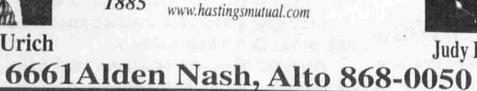
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vacation and a stipend fails to mention the administrators also To the Editor, pay an insurance co-pay.

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 developer's misrepresentation and intimidating tactics. \$338,076, and that's only the increase. Isn't that taxpayer money too? I wonder.

district doesn't just pay that amount this year, but every year had repeated problems. We cannot and do not want to stop from now on, unless premiums go down. Have health insurance premiums ever gone down? Hmmm ... something else to wonder about.

Lowell Area Residents:

Sundry Corp. and their "Highland Hill" project comes as a result of the people of Lowell becoming aware of this James St.

enters a community. Cascade and Ada townships as well as I need to go back to the \$338,076 premium increase. The many individuals who purchased homes built by Sundry have Sundry Corp. Now it should stop! Enough! 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 Bill Collins 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, Please don't forget that the entire controversy concerning more traffic all in a poorly planned and unwanted development. Grindle Drive is already dangerous - not to mention

Even Dave Austin, from Williams and Works, the city's This is not an uncommon situation when Sundry Corp. engineering consultants, has always said that it's a "bad idea." Lowell has constantly gone out of its way to accommodate

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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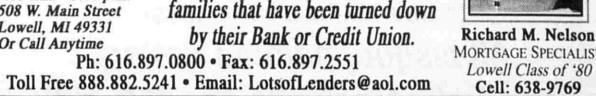
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Revenue sharing likely place for cutbacks in state budget

By Dan Schneider

The governor and legislatures 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 Koetje 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.

pieces, trying to stay away rom cutting major programs, things we are doing are not going to close the gap as much as we need to."

quires that the governor keep municipalities on a per capita the state budget balanced.

revenue-sharing funding. These include cities, villages, townships and counties.

Public Act 140 of 1971 auhorized state revenue sharing. In its history, it has fre- sharing. quently taken cuts in the name of a balanced budget. Koetje is calculated and distributed scalpel again this year.

to revenue sharing. I am quite tory revenue sharing is vulsure, ultimately, that is somenerable to cuts. This year, \$725 thing that will have to be done." Koetje said. "Local units of government will be well advised to begin to pre- ing for 2004 is projected to be

nificant sum in the state budsales tax redistributed to local ager, Dave Pasquale said.

municipalities," Kelly Bartlett \$169,000.

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state cutting "little bits and sistant to 29th district state Pasquale said. "We would senator Bill Hardiman.

There are two types of rev- to make up for that. Koetje said, adding, "the enue sharing: constitutional and statutory. Constitutional are going to have to make revenue sharing consists of 15 percent of state sales tax. are going to have to look at The state constitution re- This money is apportioned to reducing the workforce."

basis. Since this revenue shar-Statewide, 1,800 local ing is constitutionally man- its revenue sharing is constidated, the amount fluctuates tutional and not subject to budonly according to changes in get cuts. For several commusales tax intake. For this fiscal nities, the majority of revenue tion grant for the state's K-12 year, constitutional revenue sharing is statutory. sharing accounts for \$683 million of total state revenue

Statutory revenue sharing expects it to fall under the according to more complicated formulas. Not protected "There will be some cuts by the constitution, the statumillion of state revenue sharing is statutory.

In Lowell, revenue shar-\$447,900, or 18.7 percent of Revenue sharing is a sig- the General Fund budget.

"It's been roughly get, estimated at \$1.41 billion \$400,000 a year in the last few for this fiscal year. Revenue years, so it's a significant porsharing funds come from state tion of our budget," city man-

The statutory portion of "It's the most significant Lowell's revenue sharing for unrestricted state money to this year is projected to be

"That's roughly the

Bartlett is legislative as- equivalent of two mills," have to raise taxes two mills

"If you take that out you more likely that cities will lose some cuts someplace or you

It is to Lowell's advantage that the greater portion of

"Relatively speaking, Aid Fund accounts for \$361 Lowell is in better shape than million of the state budget gap. many other units in how it would be affected if state revenue sharing was cut completely," said David Zin, economist with the state sen-

A complete cutting-out lators to begin making budget of statutory revenue sharing decisions, Greg Bird said. Bird will not likely happen, how- is the director of communicaever, because of the huge im- tions for the State Budget Ofpact it would have on some fice. The next step will be for

cities. Detroit would lose Gov. Granholm to issue an \$220.7 million if statutory revexecutive order on the budenue sharing were eliminated get.

from the 2004 budget. It is "We're looking at sometime in the month of Novemonly a percentage of the statuber, early December that she will issue an executive order The state has shown a willon the budget," Bartlett said. ingness to make major budget

The state senate and house of representatives will have On Nov. 6, Gov. Jennifer 10 days to accept or reject the order. They cannot make ter to state legislators a \$196 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 legislatures.

"We hope to have a bito come up with a less drastic partisan solution done by plan for cutting school expen- Christmas," Bird said.

It is important that these This week the governor 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

Historical society awarded grant

cuts, however.

Granholm announced in a let-

cut to the per student founda-

public schools. The School

Legislators have until Dec. 5

will sit down with state legis-



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

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By Dan Schneider

banquet Monday evening. The check represented a grant Fallasburg. to the society from the Lowell Area Community Fund.

Representing the Lowell the Community Fund has ciety can raise an additional Area Community Fund, Kate given the society a grant to \$5,000 on its own, the Com-Dernocoeur gave the Fallas- hire a part-time director. Hav- munity Fund will match that burg Historical Society Board ing a director allows the sum. a symbolic check at their fall society's volunteers to do more in the historic village of cluded dinner as well as mu-

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

This is the second year the Fallasburg Historical So-

The fall banquet also in-

sic and storytelling by Marge





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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

Dan Schneider of The cesses can also sign up. The

The Extreme Literature The Lowell Area Arts

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observing the teaching pro-

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

Help support the Fallasburg 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.

Kate Dernocoeur of Low- Korea, offers sessions in po- college students interested in

LHS teachers, Laurie Lowell Ledger will lead a ses-registration fee is \$5. For more

through Friday, Adults and

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Airport, continued...From Page 3

go on the properties and survey the trees.

cover the work, with the city plained. expected to take care of 10

Brad Haight, an LHS event will take place in the Council, the Lowell Area The board estimates it currently has just under \$40,000, could go as high as \$400,000. the status on the airport, which complete the project. 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 Next up will be negotia- raised on whether the airport tions to either trim the trees would ever see the money back or to purchase the trees from the state. Sowle said the so they can be removed. There money comes from a federal is no exact cost for the air fund for security. The airport easement rights, but Sowle has been deemed in need of said the airport has reached a security upgrades now. "You level where the state will kick could snowmobile across it, in 90 percent of the costs to ride your bike," Sowle ex-

Sowle said he expects it will take about 90 days to secure the air easement rights which will hopefully put the which means the total project Lowell Airport on the state's agenda for the spring and in In reality, the cost to upgrade line for the monies needed to

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.

by the same people who started writing and holocaust litera-fiction.

tions by Lowell-bred literati. workshop, will talk about

dialogue and the writer's ate and an American poet in

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NEEDED: USED SPORTS EQUIPMENT

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.

By Dan Schneider

The first Extreme Litera- ing.

the Extreme Media event held ture, respectively.

rently a teacher at Kendall Los Angeles.

ture event will take place Sat-

recently at Lowell High

College, will lead sessions on

Gently used sports equipment of all kinds is being

LAAC, LAS Education Foundation

sponsor Extreme Literature event

ell will present freelance writ- etry and translation.

urday, Nov. 22 at Aquinas Col- Kuna and Shelley Swift will sion dealing with newspaper information or to register,

lege in Grand Rapids. Created lead sessions on short story journalism and narrative non-contact organizer Deb Duiven

School, the literature event graduate and a driving force Wege Center, 1607 Robinson Schools Education Founda-

will include several presentabehind the Extreme Media Rd. from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. tion, Lake Michigan Credit

Lowell High School screen writing. Haight is now high-school age writers, who Kent Intermediate School Dis-

graduate, John Butler, cur- an independent filmmaker in can sign up for the event trict are the event sponsors.

Ian Haight, an LHS gradu-

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:

TOTS Program art activities.

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

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 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 -

Board policy "4105 Energy Management Conservation 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

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

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, Rollie Lubbinge, Vicki Fredline, Martha Hayden, Julie Davis, Bill Stouffer, 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

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

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. Please visit our web page at www.lowell.k12.mi.us

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Opening day good fortune

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

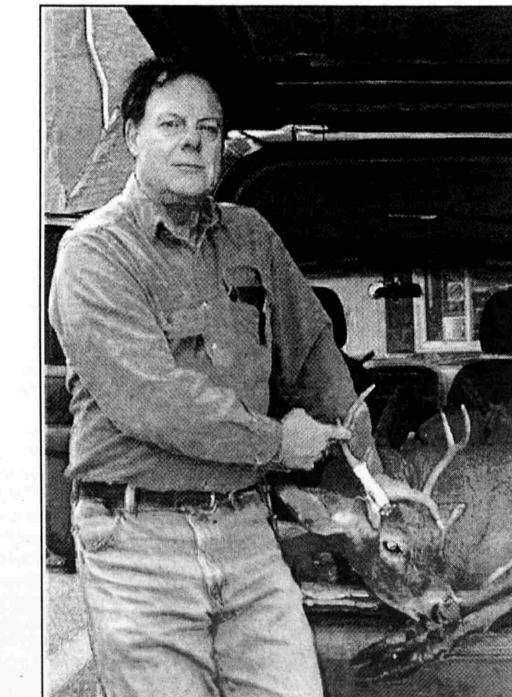


The fourth to arrive at 9:40 a.m with a five-point buck was Darren Lastfogel and his son Jake.

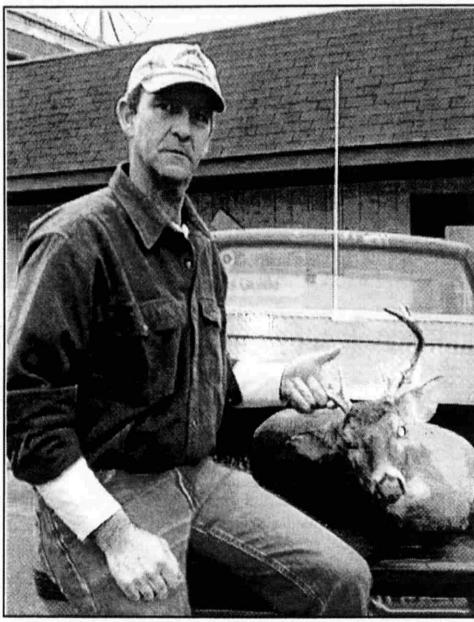
The sixth hunter to arrive at 10 a.m. was Matt Grieves with a big eight-point buck. It proved to be the biggest rack of the contest.



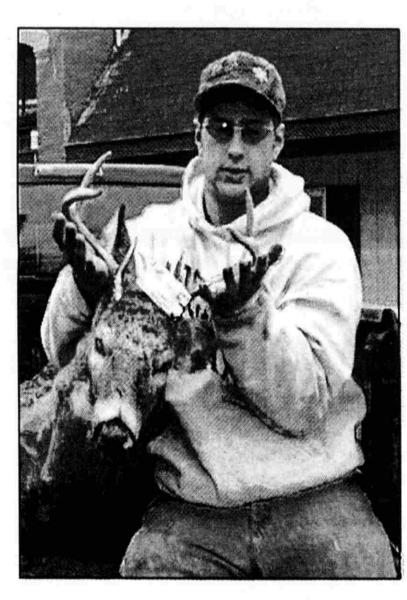
The eighth buck was an eight-point brought in by Joe Sejat and his boys at 10:20 a.m.



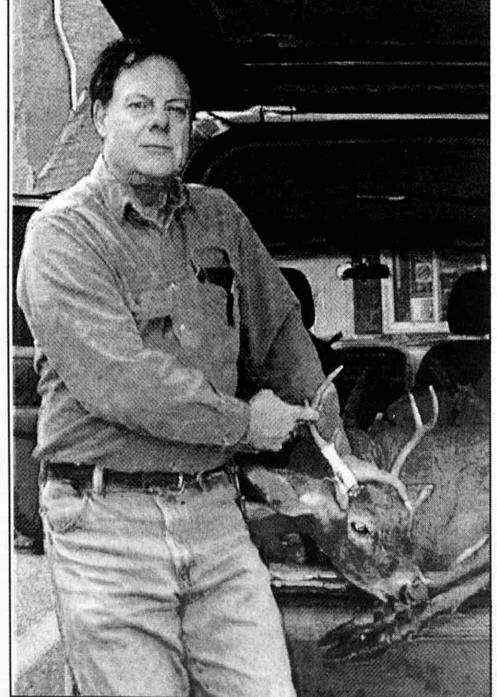
The last buck of the morning was a five-point buck brought in by Jack Boss at 10:40 a.m.



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



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



DDA, continued... From Page 1

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."

MDOT, would not likely be lane at a time.

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

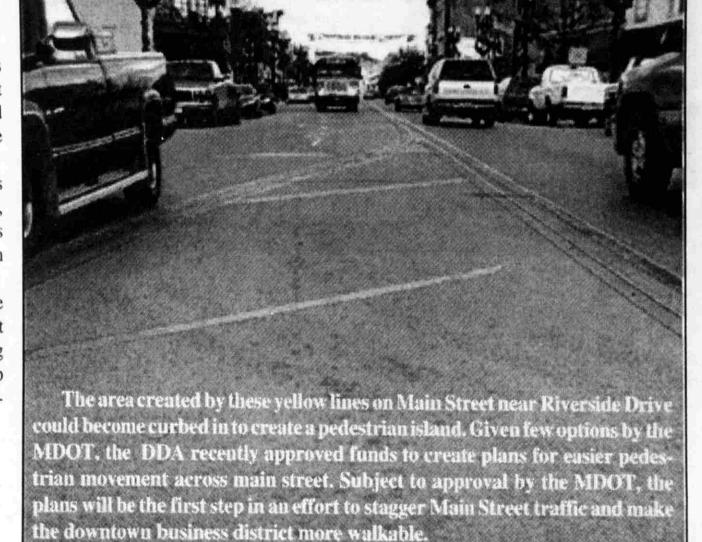
"As (drivers) come into these narrowed down spaces, they will slow down because it is a psychological factor," Valentine said.

At slower speeds, Valentine explained, cars would be process would take about more apt to stop and let pe- three months. Assuming destrians cross. Islands would MDOT approval, the next step also be a "pedestrian refuge," The bumpouts and is- allowing a person crossing the struction plans. lands, if accepted by the road to deal with traffic one

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 i no concept they will go in on or it will go through."

Swanson estimated the would be to draw up con-



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 repected to have a hearing this owner lives in. The construc- vote.

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



D ill 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.

developing a site plan for a tion would be a neo-traditional portion of the land, known as style development, clustering tion drive stating the ordithe Leeman property. The the homes to allow for about nance was just the last piece northern portion of the devel- 80 percent green space. opment, known as the Phillips property, is not under the PUD the project, raising concerns ago. Also, they questioned

Sundry proposed 53 of homes on the lot. They obtained. After Morlock cerhomes for the property with collected petitions that were tified the petitions, Sundry its plans: 52 constructed by turned in during September took legal action against the the company; one existing to have the matter brought city. The city's attorney and home which the current land- before the city residents for a Sundry's attorney have been

about traffic and the number how the signatures were

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NOVEMBER 3, 2003, 7:30 P.M. Sundry opposes the peti-Minutes of the November 3, 2003 Regular Meeting were approved as corrected and the of the puzzle but that the city Closed Session Minutes were approved as The neighbors objected to had approved the PUD months submitted and bills and the accounts payable were approved.

in litigation over the matter.

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).

SYNOPSIS

REGULAR MEETING OF

THE LOWELL CITY COUNCIL

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 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

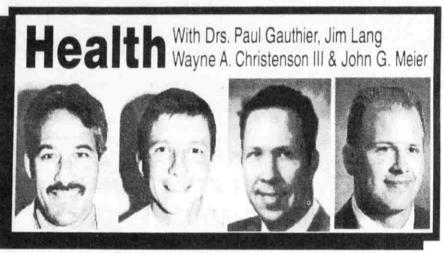


WHAT NEXT?

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

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



CROUP

Croup is a viral respiratory tract infection that typically affects young children between the ages of 1 and 5. The infection causes the trachea (windpipe) to swell. It causes a fever, hoarseness and a barking (seal-like) cough. It may also cause a crowing noise (called stridor) when the child breathes through the narrowed windpipe. Symptoms tend to be worse at

Children with croup should get plenty of rest and liquids. Over the counter children's cough medicine and Children's Tylenol can be used to treat the symptoms. Antibiotics are not effective against croup.

If a child develops a mild attack of stridor, having them LEGAL SERVICES breath either moist air or cold air can improve their symptoms. By: Danelle Kistka This can be accomplished in the following ways: (1) Run a hot shower with the bathroom door closed. Have the child sit in the bathroom with supervision and breath the steamy air Or, (2) 89 IONIA, NW., SUITE take your child outside into the cold air. If your child's breathing does not improve with the above treatments, or if they develop difficulty swallowing, call your doctor immedi-(616) 774-0672, ext. 117

Most children with mild croup will get better with treatment at home within a week. But some may need treatment in the hospital. If you suspect your child has croup, you should monitor their symptoms closely and have them evaluated by

Manne and and

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

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

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 Later, farm boys bagged squirrels for the Sunday dinner 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

LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION POSTING AND NOTICE OF ACTION

CASE NO. 03-7444-DM

Juana Velasquez 1825 Horton Grand Rapids, MI 49507

WESTERN M ICHIGAN (P65483) Attorneys for Plaintiff GRAND RAPIDS, MI

TO: DEFENDANT, PASCUAL LOPEZ-**VELASQUEZ** 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 PASCUAL LOPEZ- be published once each VELASQUEZ week in THE LOWELL Address Unknown LEDGER for three (3) consecutive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court. The 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

NOV. 10, 2003

G. PATRICK HILLARY (Judge)

10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

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



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

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. publication costs shall be More information regarding this election will be shared in the

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, commu nity 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. PUBLICATION, and the Lowell Area Schools, 300 High St., Lowell, MI 49331 or affidavit of mailing shall 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.



HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE FLAT RIVER ANTIQUE MALL As a valued friend and customer, you are Come & invited to join us in celebrating this joyous **Meet Our** holiday season. Dealers! Wed., Nov. 19, 2003 Discounts from 10-50% From 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Off Please join us for some relaxed shopping, holiday treats & special discounts throughout the Antique Mall. **NUMEROUS DRAWINGS** Our Sale & Drawings FOR GIFT CERTIFICATES **Will Continue Thru** REDEEMABLE FOR MERCHANDISE. Sunday, Nov. 23. **Our Hours Are: FLAT RIVER** , Tu, Th, Sat & Sun 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. **ANTIQUE MALL** W & Fri.

212 W. Main, Lowell, 897-5360

COMNGEVENTS

to any nonprofit organization Church, 1070 N. Hudson. in the Lowell, Ada, Alto & Call 897-8304 for details. Saranac areas. We prefer such notices to be kept brief and to be submitted by mail, but will accept notices by Sewing Guild meets at phone at 897-9261

EVERY OTHER SUN: social time; 7 p.m. pro-Single adults meet 4 - 5:30 gram. Sandy , 285-0621. p.m. at First United Meth odist Church of Lowell. Social time/ It. 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: Fallasburg Historical Society monthly board meetings at Chamber office or Fallasburg 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 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-

Notices in The Ledger's "Com- ters. 9:15-11:30 a.m. at EVERY WED.: "Peppers" ing Events" are free of charge Impact, a Weslevan at Franciscan Life Process

> SECOND TUES.: G.R. Chapter of the American D.W. Richardson Center, 5255 Grand River Dr. 6:30 **EVERY SECOND WED.:**

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.

TUES.: Saranac Needlers. needleart/quilting bee leen F.S.E. 897-7842. meets 5-8:30 p.m. at the 4 Saranac. Come for all or part time; all are invited. Contact Bev or Melissa at 642-6466 for more info. Light dinner provided.

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

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

EVERY 1ST & 3RD may attend. 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.

Center: 1-3:30 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.

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. SECOND & FOURTH 9:45-10:45 a.m. or 12:45 -1:45 p.m. Call Sister Col-

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

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

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

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-

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.: 897-8565. 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-

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

SECOND SAT. OF EV-ERY MONTH: Ada Historical Society 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

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

LOWELL AREA HIS-TORICAL MUSEUM HOURS: - Tues., Sat. & 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.

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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

LOWELL SERENITY 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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LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR

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

Voodland Mall.

Shop at Malls: 9:30 Crafts: 1 p.m. Euchre.

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

THURS.: 9 a.m. Walk/

SPECIAL EVENTS

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

THURS., NOV. 20: 12 .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.

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

TUES., NOV. 25: 12:15

Alto School Luncheon;

4:30 Dinner at Deer Run.

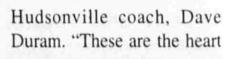
THURS., NOV. 27: Happy Thanksgiving! Center Closed.

FRI., NOV. 28: Center Closed.

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 quite like this," explained 5,200-plus spectators.





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

Lowell football coach, Noel

receptions.

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elusive, dancing feet of Brek years tonight. I thought we Indeed, Friday night's Trevino, turned back the de- were going to win and then Division II regional champi- fending Division II state lose about 57 different times onship was rarefied air for champion Red Arrows 57-56 tonight. This game was 12 heart attacks and three strokes

> revenge for its heart-breaking oss to the Red Arrows in last ear's regional final.

"This is the best game 've ever played in. It was so emotional," said Trevino.

All three of Trevino's eagles a 50-42 lead. scoring scampers were of the electrifying sort. His first touchdown of the night came on a 54-yard run. He later JV girls finish season 19-1 on a 54-yard run. He later scored on runs of 59 and 32

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

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

The score was tied 50-50 The amazing Eagle victory advances Hudsonville (10 heading into the second overand 2) to the semifinal on Sattime when Kyle Rozema went up over two defenders to pull urday against Rochester in a Ryan Dykhouse pass, giv-"Idon't want to talk about ing the Red Arrows a 56-50 going on. It doesn't mean any-

thing right now. We're going A two-point conversion attempt failed when Lowell's to enjoy this one," said an Mike Koster took the extra point snap and surged foward basketball team finished its 1 record for the year. Simi-

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 ong way and have worked so ery hard."

It's the type of call that Dean's counterpart has made 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

escaped around the left side Hudsonville, behind the attack kids. I aged about 33 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 scrim-The Eagle win exacted mage, 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 twopoint conversion, giving the

Moments later, Lowell's



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

Dykhouse scored on a oneyard burst. He then fired a said pass between two defenders to all-state receiver, Koster for the two-point conversion.

Koster pulled in nine receptions for 140 yards, a a six-yard rumble where he touchdown (29 yards) and a literally dragged would-be 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 have great respect for Dave

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

Lowell fullback, Ryan Esbaugh rushed for 109 yards and scored three touchdowns. His final touchdown came on 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 and his program. He is a class act and his kids are all class," Dean said. "I hope they win it

went in," DeBruyn explained.

back threes by Keni Gallert 24-2 run with a third three, By the time the Red Ar- and Vallen Van Zyll ballooned giving Lowell a 33-8 lead, the rows were through disman- the Lowell advantage to 15-6. Red Arrows biggest lead of tling South Christian 56-41 It also started a 24-2 Lowell the night. "That is the best half of Following a Sailor bucket basketball we've ever played,"

Lowell's fast start

basketball team in West job of that in the first half."

be one of the top five teams in the opening quarter. Back-to-

sends Sailors packing

Most thought Lowell to more than a minute to play in second quarter.

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

Most considered South "We talked about guarding the by Kristin Bergsma, the Red

Christian to be the best girls perimeter, but didn't do a good Arrow tandem struck again

ers in Lowell's 35-33 win.

"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."

Thursday night, many may

have changed their way of

thinking.

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 min-Meanwhile, Lowell

poured in 35 points, which included netting 6 three-point

"Everything they threw up

Keni Gallert finds driving space against the Crusadsaid Lowell basketball coach. Dee Crowley. "We hit threes, won loose balls, rebounded,

with back-to-back threes in

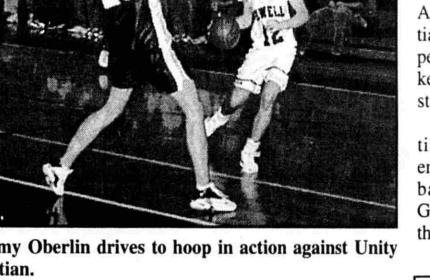
Gallert ended Lowell's

Lowell led 9-6 with a little the opening minutes of the

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.



Amy Oberlin drives to hoop in action against Unity Christian.



ELEMENTARY

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

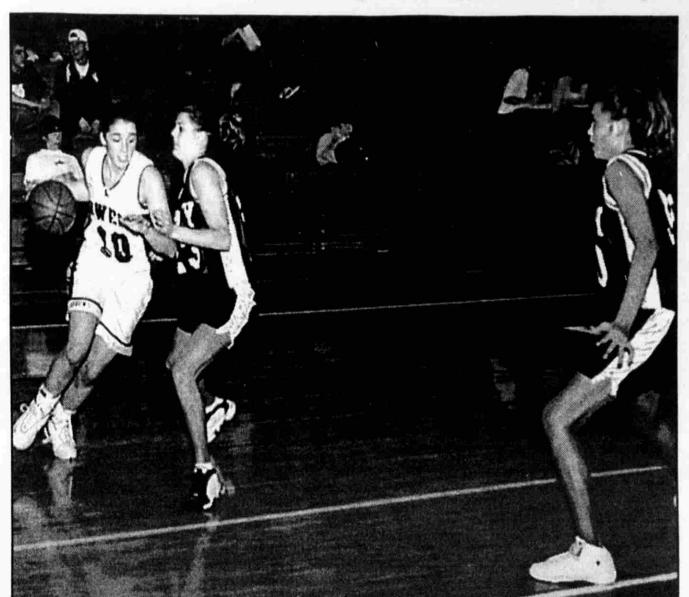
TUES.: Bacon cheesebur ger, baked beans, pine-

WED .: No School. Thanksgiving Break!

THURS .: No School Happy Thanksgiving!

FRI.: No School. Enjoy!

2nd choice for the week: Chef's Choice



Brooke VanEck drives the baseline against Unity Christian defenders.

Christian fought its way of a perfect 14-0 league ask," said Unity Christian back to within 10 points with record. a little over a minute to play, but Lowell outscored the Sailors 6-1 in the final minute.

Lowell 35 Unity Christian 33

not reflect how difficult a time Lowell had finishing the season undefeated in the OK

of about an eight-minute span the visitors the ball and a the way they finished the beginning of the fourth quarters, Lowell's play did not reflect a club with aspirations the end. That's all you can plishment.'

waning seconds.

coach, Scott Soodsma. "There The Red Arrows trailed was about an eight-minute 18-13 at halftime. It wasn't span in the second half where until 1:56 of the third quarter we weren't at the top of the that Lowell regained the lead game. Lowell, being a good at 26-25 on two buckets by club, took advantage of that."

What Lowell didn't do 13-2 run which propelled the was put the game away when The two-point win does Red Arrows to a 35-27 advan- it toed the foul line at the end tage, with a little less than six of the game.

"The girls are excited to Three buckets by Unity win the game and finish the Christian and four misses at conference season undefeated, In fact, with the exception the foul line by Lowell gave but they are not happy with chance to win the game in the game," said Crowley. "Though, to run the gambit in "We had a shot to win it at any league is quite an accom-

Development Principles of Planned Unit Development (PUD) and Smart Growth

Amy Oberlin. That started a

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

Efficient land use techniques

Principles and Results of Conventional Zoning (Old Development Concepts)

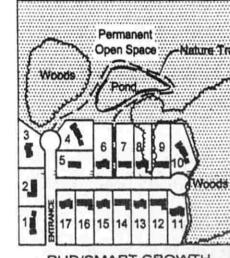
Dictate exact size and configuration of lots

 Lots are sprawled across entire property · Buffer zones are whatever "setbacks" are

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Mike Koster looks down field after one of his nine

in double overtime.

Adams (10 and 2).

emotionally

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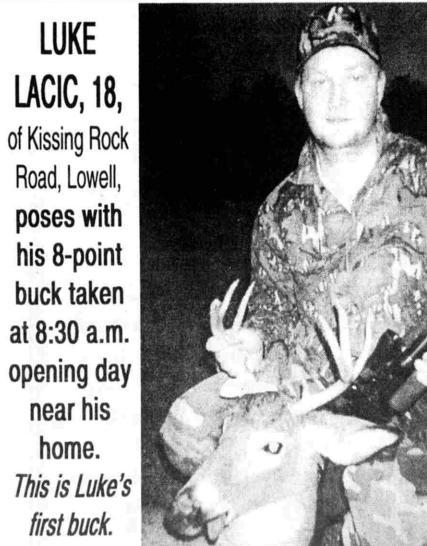
were undefeated (14-0) in the OK White Conference.

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.

lar to the varsity squad,

the JV Lady Red Arrows

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.



City purchases property for 4-H Fairgrounds

By J. Lobdell Contributing Writer

on 475 S. Hudson, it seems a porting a motion made by little out of place. It sits be- councilman, Jim Pfaller. tween the two entrances of the 4-H Fairgrounds and, if asked, city seek to have the Englemost people would assume the hardt Fund cover \$14,500 for fairgrounds owned it. That as- the cost of the property, plus sumption would have been closing costs and demolishwrong until Monday night's ing costs. The Downtown Lowell City Council meet- Development Authority had ing, when the city council pur- already agreed to cover chased the property from the \$50,000 of the purchasing

"The family approached councilman, Mike Blough us about selling the land," said stating he felt the land acquicity manager, David Pasquale, sition was part of the infraadding that the city will next structure of the city - sometake bids to demolish the house thing the city should take care and garage, something that a of with its own funds and not couple of the council mem- rely on outside funding such bers were hoping the Engle- as the Englehardt Fund. hardt Fund would cover.

seek funding from the Engle- the property. hardt Fund," said mayor, If you look at the home Jeanne Shores who was supplans for the site other than to

Barton family for \$64,500. costs. The motion failed with

The motion failed in a tie "Mr. Englehardt was so vote with councilman, Chuck interested in the children of Myers abstaining because he the area and since the youth is a member of the Englehardt would benefit from the prop- Board of Trustees. The coun-

erty, I support the motion to cil did approve to purchase incorporate it into the current did complete a master plan for that it would become part of

fairgrounds property. Blough the city parks. "When you the fairgrounds," Pasquale There are no immediate noted that this (acquisition) looked at it, it just made sense said.

Eja Salon moves to Main Street



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

To "Sound Off" call 897-0787

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Alto PTO-Trisha Propst, Kathie Ruesink, Kim DeWaard,

& 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!

Government

Anything Goes

Opinion Forum

By Dan Schneider

The Eja Salon moved to a historical character, with tin space on Main Street after five ceilings and all. years of being located in Cowan grew up here, so she Cowan said. 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

"We didn't want to be in a Grand Rapids. One of the strip mall, we wanted to be on owners, April McClure- Main Street," McClure-

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.

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



Betty R. Morlock City Clerk 616-897-8457

Off In Traffic? spending Lowell Area Schools staff are an investment Got a pet peeve To Get off Your too Much? in our community. Our teachers deserve all Curfew not late that they are paid and then some. enough for you? 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?

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 (Folkstle/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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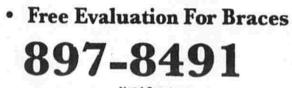
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LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS VARSITY WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULE

Boys Varsity Basketball

All games begin at 7:30 p.m. * Indicates a home game Lakewood* 12/12 Forest Hills Central M.S. Cedar Springs 12/19 Sparta* 1/6 East Grand Rapids* 1/9 Kenowa Hills Thornapple Kellogg* 1/16 Northview Greenville* 1/27 Ionia Unity Christian 2/3 Cedar Springs* Sparta East Grand Rapids 2/13 Kenowa Hills' 2/17 St. Johns Northview* 2/27 Greenville 3/2 Unity Christian* Gold Crossover Game* District @ Rockford Time TBA

BOYS VARSITY WRESTLING Indicates a home game Greenville Quad (5:30 p.m) Paw Paw Team Tourn. (TBA) Cedar Springs (7 p.m.) Howell Invitational (9 a.m.) Sparta (7 p.m.)* 12/27 Grandville Tournament (9 a.m. East Grand Rapids (7 p.m.)* Michigan Duals (8:30 a.m.) Kenowa Hills (7 p.m.) Gary Rivers Invitational (9 a.m.) Northview (7 p.m.) Greenville (7 p.m.)* Unity Christian (7 p.m.) Goodrich Tournament (9:30 a.m. Gold Crossover Match (7 p.m.)* Conference (TBA)* Team District (TBA)* Ind. District @ Mona Shores (TBA)

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105 N. Broadway, Lowell

Boys Varsity Ice Hockey

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

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11/21	Kalamazoo Blades Tourn. (TBA)
11/22	Kalamazoo Blades Tourn. (TBA)
11/28	Hudsonville (9 p.m.)*
11/29	Kalamazoo Eagles (7 p.m.)*
12/5	West Ottawa (9 p.m.)*
12/6	Hudsonville (2 p.m.)
12/10	Grand Haven (4:30 p.m.)*
12/13	Catholic Central (9 p.m.)*
12/19	Kalamazoo Blades (9 pm.)*
12/20	DeWitt @Summit (6 p.m.)
1/3	Northview (7 p.m.)*
1/9	Wayland (9 p.m.)*
1/10	Holt (7 p.m.)*

1/16 1/30

E. Lansing H.S. (9 p.m.)* West Ottawa (7 p.m.) Grand Rapids Central (8 p.m. South Christian (7 p.m.) West Catholic (8 p.m.) Wayland (7 p.m.) Jenison (7 p.m.)* G.R. Christian (9 p.m.) Holt (TBA) South Christian (7 p.m.)* Grand Haven (8 p.m.) Forest Hills Northern (5 p.m.)* Regional Tournament (TBA)*

GIRLS VARSITY GYMNASTICS

* Indicates a home game All home games are in the Aux, gym @ high school

All Horne ya	anes are in the Aux. gyin & 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)*
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BOYS VARSITY SWIMMING

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		* 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
	1/29	Byron Center (TBA)	0
	2/5	Northview	./
	2/12	Unity Christian (TBA)	1
	2/19	Wayland (6 p.m.)	_
	2/26	Godwin Heights	

GIRLS VARSITY VOLLEYBALL * Indicates a home game

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



Zeeland (6 p.m.) District @ Owosso (TBA)

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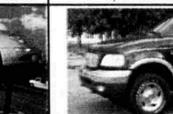




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