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Summer's cool finale

he sun sets on the 2004 Showboat Sizzlin' Summer Concert series. The Doc's of Dixieland wrapped up the regular Thursday night series on the Riverwalk Plaza. The band is made up of medical professionals who have played together for many years. Fortunately, with the unusually cool August weather, the crowd was warmed by the lively Dixieland music.

Photo submitted by Bruce Doll -

Museum making progress toward grand opening

By Dan Schneider

hings are starting to look Victorian at the Lowell Area Historical Museum.

Wallpaper installation is currently underway. It is the most recent of improvements made to the east side of the

building, which has been undergoing historical restoration since the beginning of this year. The wallpapers being installed are hand-printed reproductions of actual Victorian paper designs.

"The wallcoverings really help transform the space back

Bill Vis, of H.L. Bolkema Painting and Decorating Service, cuts out wallpaper details for the museum's east wing Victorian restoration project.

into time," said museum director Judy Straub.

Yellow pine floorboards are in place. They are currently covered with brown paper while work continues inside. This work will soon include the installation of several period light fixtures. The museum has recently acquired enough Victorian lights to outfit the entire space.

"We've got some really beautiful, really gorgeous Victorian lighting that will be part of the museum," Straub said.

Acquisition of Victorian furnishings and interior appointments is nearly complete for the east rooms.

Outside, the most significant change is the addition of a side porch. Painted in yellow, forest green, and subtle pink tones, the porch is built with the same design elements found on the house's exterior. Contractor Ivan Blough built the gracefully-curving cornice brackets on the porch to match those found below the eaves of the house.

Since the museum had no photographs available depicting what the Graham house actually looked like during the Victorian era, the design

for the porch was extrapolated from research of period architecture. This included one of several old newspapers found in the walls of the house during the renovation.

"That newspaper was Moore's Rural New Yorker and they were all dated from about 1866 to about 1871 but in each of the papers that we found, there was an architectural page," Blough said. "Putting together the fact that Mr. Graham who built this house was a builder and an archi-

tect, you could see why he would want to subscribe to that particular paper."

Blough found several of the newspapers during the renovation.

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Charity organization eyes lodge space for new home

By J. Lobdell Contributing Writer

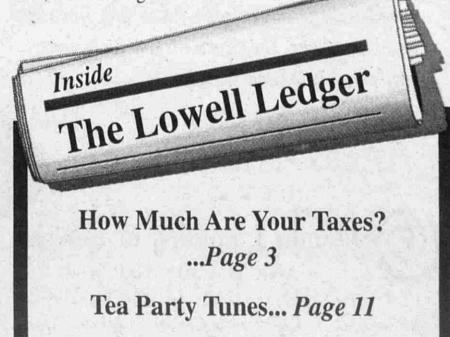
local ministry discovered quickly that its biggest obstacle in obtaining a new home will be parking.

Flat River Outreach Ministries, Inc. (FROM) came before the Lowell Planning Commission Monday night to discuss a possible move to the current Masonic Lodge facility at 112 Lincoln Lake.

The lodge, according to FROM chairman and First Congregational Church pastor Roger La Warre, appears to be merging with the Belding lodge. This means the Lincoln Lake site would be available. Because lodge members are interested in giving back to the community, they contacted FROM about the building, La Warre said.

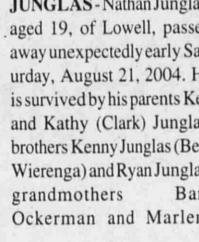
The site, with an expansion, would be a good fit for the organization since it would provide more room for such current programs as the

> New space for FROM, cont'd., pg. 8



OBITUARIES

BARBER - June Elizabeth Molnar, both of California. Barber (nee Mumford), aged In keeping with her wishes, 94, of Grand Rapids, passed cremation has taken place. away August 20, 2004 at Lau- The memorial service will be rels of Kent in Lowell. June held Wednesday at 3 p.m. at was a registered nurse and a Metcalf and Jonkhoff Chapel graduate of the Butterworth with Rev. Hank Post of First School of Nursing. She Park Congregational Church Clark; aunts and uncles Bob worked at Mary Free Bed officiating. Visitation 2 p.m. Hospital and Camp Blodgett. until service time. In lieu of She has been a member of flowers, memorial contribu- Rekus, Greg and Barb Clark, Park Congregational Church tions to the charity of one's Eric and Sylvia Clark, Mark since 1951 and was a member choice would be appreciated. and Cindy Clark, Dick and Deb of the Women's Fellowship and the Netta Gay Ten for JUNGLAS-Nathan Junglas, Sherwood. Loved by many over 40 years. Her first love aged 19, of Lowell, passed was her home and family in- away unexpectedly early Sat- missed by all. Nathan was a cluding her husband of 43 urday, August 21, 2004. He graduate of Lowell High years, Robert Arthur Barber, is survived by his parents Ken School in 2003. Memorial serwho preceded her in death, and Kathy (Clark) Junglas; vices will be held at Fallasburg her beloved daughter Marcia brothers Kenny Junglas (Beth Park Pavilion on Wednesday place and a private family ser-Barber of Holland and her Wierenga) and Ryan Junglas; at noon. In lieu of flowers, nephew and niece, Richard grandmothers Barb memorial contributions may be Reynolds and Barbara Ockerman and Marlene made to the Ionia County Na-



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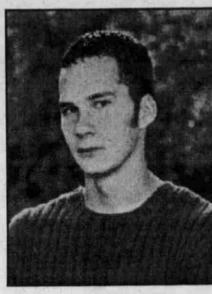
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LITTLE - Gerald "Buddha" geous battle with cancer. Sur-Little passed away on Sunday, August 15, 2004. He is sur-Nancy Mulder; two children vived by his wife Emily "Cookie"; children Dan (Mary Mark Robert Mulder, Stacy

Little, Al (Diane) Little, Ron (Mary) Little, Dawn (Mindy) Little, Bill (Kris) Hurt; 14 grandchildren; 14 greatgrandchildren; brother Russ (Cubby) Little; sister Velma (Bob) Perry; special nephew Morrie Little; several nieces, nephews, cousins, family and

Gerald "Buddha" Little

friends. According to his

wishes, cremation has taken

vice was held. Interment at

Mulder, aged 59, of Lowell,

went to be with the Lord on

August 17, 2004 after a coura-

viving are his wife of 36 years,

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Rest Lawn Memorial Park.

Spronsen of Lowell, John Michigan. (Harriet) Van Spronsen of Hudsonville, Karl (Bonnie)

Ellen) Little, Randy (Peyton) Joy Mulder both of Lowell; Van Spronsen of Lowell. He mother Lois Mulder of was preceded in death by his Falmouth; brothers Don father Rikus Mulder. Funeral (Elnora) Mulder, Harold services were held Friday in "Butch" Mulder both of the Ada Community Re-McBain; sister Teresa Mulder formed Church with Rev. Julie of Cadillac; several nieces and Vanderveen-Van Til officiatnephews; brothers -in-law ing. Burial in Bailey Cem-Neil (Carol) Van Spronsen of etery. Memorial contributions Ada, Cliff (Jackie) Van are suggested to Hospice of

Early morning accident claims Lowell teenager

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A car crash in Vergennes

2003 Lowell High School graduate, was the driver in the centerline and crashing the accident scene. into a large tree to the left of the roadway. Sheriff's deputies at the scene did not know believed to be a factor. the reason for the heavy brak-

The crash pinned Junglas Township early Saturday in the vehicle. Lowell Fire morning killed a teenage Rescue treated him at the scene driver and injured his passen- and he was transported by Aero-Med to Spectrum Health Nathan Junglas, 19, a Butterworth Campus where he later died from his injuries.

The passenger, Anthony the one-vehicle crash. He was Saganek, 23, a 1999 Lowell driving a Jeep Cherokee east- High School graduate, was in bound on Bennett St. NE fair condition Monday mornaround 2:30 a.m. He slammed ing at Spectrum Health on the brakes, leaving Butterworth Campus. An amskidmarks, before crossing bulance transported him from

The crash remains under investigation and alcohol is

LEGAL NOTICES

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CASE NO. 04-06758-DM

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CASEY LEE MITCHELL 115 Hall, SE Grand Rapids, MI 49506 (616) 243-2780 (last known address)

TO DEFENDANT, CASEY LEE MITCHELL IT IS ORDERED:

You are being sued by plaintiff in this court to obtain a divorce. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before October 7, 2004. 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.

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A copy of this order shall be sent to Defendant, CASEY LEE MITCHELL, at the last known address by registered mail, return receipt requested, before the date of the last publication and the affidavit of mailing shall be file with this court.

August 13, 2004 DANIEL V. ZEMAITIS P32490

Thoroughly unprepared, we take the step into the afternoon of life; worse still, we take this step with the false assumption that our truths and ideals will serve us hitherto. But we cannot live the afternoon of life according to the program of life's morning; for what was great in the morning will be little at evening and what in the morning was true will at evening have become a lie.

—Carl Jung

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By J. Lobdell Contributing Writer

Trying to find out your tax bill? Want to see how much taxes are on a parcel of land? With the internet, it's now one swift push of the button to get those answers.

cently joined the worldwide the city of Lowell. web with its own web page, www.ci.lowell.mi.us. While was developed by a Lowell name and parcel number. If items are still being added to resident, Betsy Davidson, of the person doesn't know the the city's site, the newest fea- Addorio Global Innovations. parcel number, a street name

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The process is simple and residents can enter in a street ture is tax information, a page Internet users enter the city's may be entered alone and a list that offers assessing and tax website, click on "Assessing of addresses on that street

for this type of information is who created the program for website and has since marketed it to other local municipalities. "The idea was by having this on the web, it would decrease the number of phone calls each month."

For townships such as

Vergennes and Lowell Charter, which have had the tax program available on their sites for awhile, the phone calls have gone way down, Davidson said. City clerk Betty Morlock said for the city, which only added the program earlier this summer. it was difficult to tell whether offering such information on the web has reduced the number of calls, but she added she did believe it would make an overall impact once residents are aware the information is available.

Having such information on the web makes it easier for everyone, Davidson said. "Realtors from their office can just hop on [the internet] and search," she said. And the word is spread-

ing. Vergennes Township is

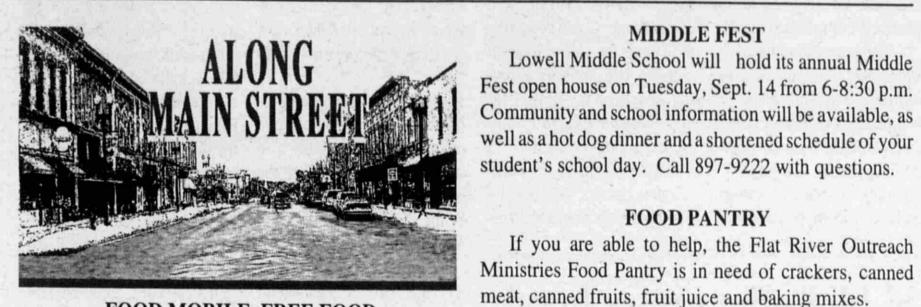
Lowell Charter Township has "The number of phone received 300 a month. Some calls a municipality receives communities have hit well over 1,000 a month, i.e., quite a lot," said Davidson, Grand Rapid Township, 1,400, and Ada Township, 1, Vergennes Township's 200. Within the first couple of months of operation, the

> The program, which costs around \$1,100, includes 26 tax uploads and two assessing uploads. Most of the tax uploads are done during tax times, updating the records as residents pay their taxes, Davidson said.

city received about 900 hits.

The assessing and tax information isn't the only item available on the site. Currently, the city site provides information on police programs including DARE and child seat inspections; frequently asked questions of the city including parking ordinances and how to get a permit for a handgun; information on the city's Wellhead Protection Program; how to contact various department heads; millage information; and agendas and minutes from city meetings.

Morlock said the city plans to add ordinance information and city forms which residents can download.



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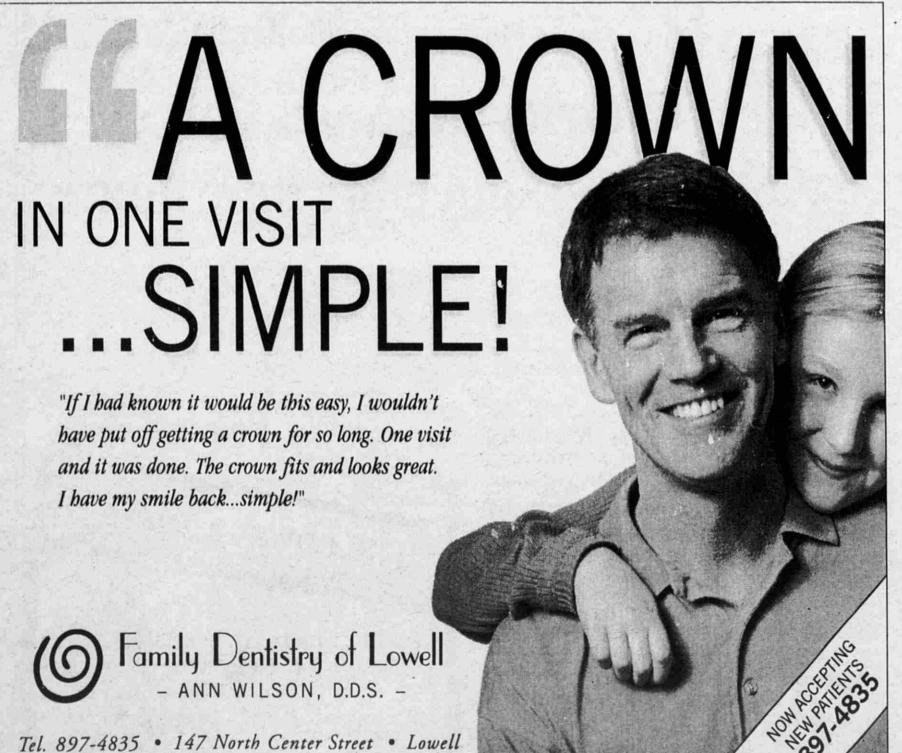
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Ordinance doesn't address body shops within city limits

"Since we have such businesses in town, I think we should have something in our ordinance." - Sheri Grimm.

By J. Lobdell Contributing Writer

cial use permit to allow a body Cosgrove said of four inquirshop on property he owns, a les about the site, two have landowner quickly learned been from people interested that the district he is in—and in running a body shop. much of the city—does not Because the city ordi- termined that while a special ing a special use permit for allow for such a business.

owns property at 423 W. Main especially in C-3 commercial cifically states it is for a ve-Planning Commission Mon- zoned, Cosgrove said he has include body shop-type work. best approach would be to re-

day night to seek a special already lost one potential lesland use permit for a body see. When a second person Hoping to pursue a spe- shop on his property. inquired about operating a

Hugh Cosgrove, who shops anywhere in the city, on the site, the ordinance spe- ing the zoning ordinance.

planning commission.

he had an issue of granting a thing the ordinance clearly lowed under right in certain ten. states is not allowed.

ing this is to establish body business, he returned to the shops in the C-3 district," said city manager David Pasquale, Upon review of the city's who gave the planning comordinance, it was quickly de- mission two options: allow- be. nance does not allow for body use permit could be granted this particular case or chang-

After a poll of the com-St., came before the Lowell which is what his property is hicle repair shop and cannot mission, it was decided the

Mayor Jeanne Shores said

she felt the council has given

zonings, and where it would

"The cleanest way of do- be allowed by special use per- nesses in town, I think we mit. Under special use permit, should have something in our Jahnke said the commission ordinance," said commission would need to consider how restrictive the permit would don't think we should exclude Having a special use per-Jahnke said it could take

mit for body shops would give between two and three months the planning commission for the planning commission some control over where the to make the recommended businesses could be located. changes to the ordinance, While agreeing to review the which would then go before ordinance, several commis- the Lowell City Council for sion members stated they approval. For Cosgrove, he weren't too pleased about said he hasn't received any placing such a business at 423 definite response from any W. Main St.

was a detailing shop, which he said it's more of "either I would have needed a special can or I can't." dealers. Vennen and time. Wittenbach. Those still in the

Chair Clarke Jahnke said view the ordinance, looking city have been grandfathered at the definition of a body in since they were there bespecial use permit for some- shop, where it would be al- forethe ordinance was rewrit-

> "Since we have such busimember Sheri Grimm. "I this, I really don't."

party looking at the location The site in question once for such a business. For him,

use permit to operate. The planning commission Cosgrove said he remembers did, by consensus, decide to paying for such a permit. He refund Cosgrove's permit fee also pointed out that there were since it appears he already has about four body shops in the a vehicle repair special use city that have since closed including the ones at the auto shop special use permit at this

Council policy gives local bidders the upper hand

By J. Lobdell Contributing Writer

the Lowell City Council to a local contractor if that be addressed on a per issue or found it does give local bidnot within city limits.

Pasquale, responding to a local bidder at the amount of debate alive to help the sus, the council decided to question from the last city equal to the lowest bid, he council make good decisions. leave the current code as is, council meeting, said the city said. code does allow the city to After learning that the city Myers, who raised the issue at on a case-by-case basis. limit quotations to local ven- council is not required to go the last council meeting, said ing area.

found that the city of Alpena who has supported leaving the agreed to look at local bidders After a review of its code, does allow a bid to be awarded code as is, felt the issue should contractor's bid is within per item basis.

said through research, he Councilman James Hodges, is if by consensus the council

day night's meeting, Pasquale sideration to local vendors. comfortable leaving things as

ders an advantage over those three-percent of the lowest "Every situation is differ- local vendors more considerbid/quote. If so, the award may ent," Hodges said, adding that ation and didn't see that chang-City manager David then be granted to the lowest he supported keeping the spirit ing in the future. By consen-

Councilman Charles taking each bidding process within the city or its surround- the city should not change its businesses whose owners ordinances if, by consensus, might just happen to be a tax-During his report at Mon- the council agreed to give con- payer as well. He said he was

dors if two or more qualified local vendors are located cilman Jim Pfaller said he felt council should consider local Honor camp workers help clean up fairgrounds

of eight inmates, under the red-striped tents. leadership of county correc-

Once again this year, resitions officer Tom Barnwell, dents from the Kent County picked up litter around the fair-Sheriff's Honor Camp took grounds. They also cleaned on the sizeable task of grounds up the wood shavings which cleanup following the Kent had been bedding for sheep County Youth Fair. A group and draft horses under big,

"We picked up the trash around the dumpsters (in the parking lot)," Barnwell said. "We're just picking up, cleaning up after the fair."

The honor camp, located in Gowan, houses nonviolent primarily youthful offenders. Projects like the fair clean up allow residents to have an opportunity to provide valuable services to the area.

The fair cleanup is one of many community projects the honor camp takes on. They do similar work throughout Kent County, including cleaning up after the Festival of the Arts in Grand Rapids and highway clean up and maintenance throughout the year.

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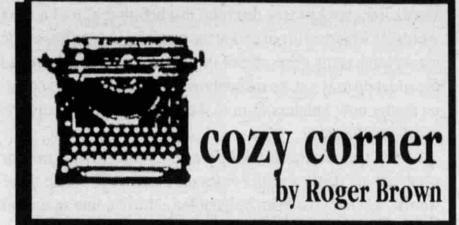
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Viewpoint



Sometimes Tuesday morning rolls around, I get up early, put on the coffee, set down at the computer to write this column, and ... nuthin'! In fact, "sometimes" is a misnomer. This Tuesday-morning-brain-freeze scenario happens all too often. It might have something to do with getting old.

This particular Tuesday is a good example. I've been working all week and watching the Olympics at night. In a word, life has been, boring. No grandkids around, no Bob Vila's Evil Twin projects going on, no trouble with the dogs, no travels, just boring old workaday life that doesn't make verygood fodder for a humor column. On the plus side, there haven't been any near misses from passing hurricanes.

For this week's column I'll go back a few weeks to some vacation time with the grandkids. I've got it figured out that about the most fun a guy my age (mid-fifties) can have, is hangin' out with his grandkids. In my case there are only two, Jim (Madison), my seven-year-old granddaughter, and Boog (Zach), my five-year-old grandson. If I could freeze them in time, I'd zap them right about now. I might let Boog get just a little taller so he could go on all the scary rides with me at amusement parks ... then ZAP!

While in Michigan with the grandkids, a daily routine was an off-road scooter ride. Jim rides behind me and Boog stands between my legs and handles the horn ... and occasionally the throttle. Gotta watch out for that occasional burst of unexpected throttle.

throttle man, asked why we were going so slowly. Because part of being a good grandpa is always stretching the truth or making up stories, I replied that I was looking for the "Lost Boys." For some reason that really got their attention, so I ran

I stopped the scooter and began a total b.s. story about some boys who were lost in those woods. When pressed for

TO THE EDITOR

In today's world we hear so many negative things being

said and written about today's youth. It's nice to see firsthand

when teenagers do something good. My son, Samuel, is high-

functioning autistic and the big thing in his life is the Lowell

14th birthday, but all three of his friends we invited had other

commitments and no one was there for the party. Sam was very

his friend, Brock Graham, had gotten a team poster for Sam,

and most of the players had autographed it. Brock stopped by

after practice to present it to Sam. This brightened Sam's day

and I told Brock about Sam being disappointed about the

birthday party. Brock left but about a half hour later showed up

again with four other players from the team. They were there

to wish Sam a happy birthday and they spent the next two hours

watching football videos with him, cutting the birthday cake,

those boys did that day was so special and I appreciate it. Good

This was the best birthday present Sam could get. What

disappointed and went to his room and cried.

We planned a small party for him this past Friday for his

His older brother is on the Lowell football team and he and

football team. He doesn't have a lot of friends his own age.

details I drew heavily from the movie "Stand By Me." My story included four boys, a little older than Jim. They went out on a hike and got permanently lost. People think they are still around and living in the woods because stuff comes up missing. Stuff like food, clothes, dogs, bicycles, etc. The kids were wide-eyed and all ears.

They wanted to know the Lost Boys' names. I scrambled with Ted, Fred, Jim and Bob. As my story wound down, I was accused of making it up and told that the Lost Boys weren't for real. I suggested that we park the scooter, walk into the woods and see if we could find them. The kids panicked! "No grandpa! Let's go Grandpa!" they screamed as Boog twisted

they ran to their mother with the "Lost Boys" story, complete with the names down pat. The kids kept asking me if the Lost Boys were for real, and I always countered by suggesting a trip into the woods to find them. No takers!

So, everyday of our vacation we took a scooter ride past had myself waiting for a bunch of kids to jump out of the bushes and take our scooter.

The ultimate test came when we scootered into the woods a little way. I pointed out a ramshackle outhouse I knew was there from hunting morels in the spring. It became the Lost Boys' shack. We high-tailed it out of there with Boog cranking the throttle and Jim steering my head by grabbing my ears.

As the days wore on, we grew ever closer to investigating the shack/outhouse. Finally, after lots of taunts and dares from outhouse calling out, "Fred ... Ted ... Jim ... Bob."

The kids wanted to go back, but were too scared to be On one of these scooter rides we were slowly cruising a few Lost Boy artifacts, like bird feathers and chicken bones. along the edge of a woodlot. One of them, probably Boog the I didn't have to ask anybody twice if they wanted to head back

The whole Lost Boys' episode began with a real nothingfew days that I'm betting they will remember a long time. I'm Tuesday into a decent little story for you as well.

a tragic ending. On his death certificate his death is stated an

Am I angry at him? No. I love him more than anything in the world. Am I focusing on the last eight hours of his life or on his five-minute decision that ended with a tragic result? No. I am focusing on the 20 wonderful, beautiful years that I had with him. I am focusing on the way he could make you laugh when you were down, the five phone calls a day that I received from him, even when he moved to Maui, the way that he could and would join in on any discussion, the gentle hugs he would give his little sister and brother, the many packages that he sent home from Maui for Corrina and Jerry, the kind way that he treated his friends and family, the way he always joined in on life, his surfing, skydiving, snorkeling, his love of nature, his quest to see the world, the way he could build a fire, the way he would tell everyone that he was a mama's boy, how we got even closer after Brett died, how he loved family gatherings and the food he would cook.

decision he made.

Please just let Brandon be dead; feel the sadness, feel the happiness of having known him in life, let go of that fiveminute decision, let go of the last eight hours of his life; remember him with an open heart. Be at peace knowing that he is with his brother Brett and baby sister Jennifer.

Mary Long

To the Editor,

luck, Red Arrows!!!

and just hanging out with him.

Dear Editor.

Yes, my son Brandon Taylor, 20, died from an overdose of drugs on June 11, 2004 while at a music festival in Tennessee. At first the doctor thought that he had an undetected heart problem. An autopsy ruled that out. It takes a while for the autopsy report and the lab tests to get back.

Did I tell Jerry (8) and Corrina (5) about the autopsy results? Yes, I did, as soon as we found out. Maybe when they get older and see a friend about ready to make a fatal decision like Brandon did, they can stop them by using Brandon as an days or added other benefits to get 2% or more.

The decision that he made that evening to take the drugs tracts - 8 of 10/2% or higher increase. was not one meant to hurt anyone or himself. He was not that type of person. He was just trying to have fun, and his fun had

I knew I'd gotten them pretty good when we got home and

the woods. The story grew as we spotted signs of the Lost Boys. A pop bottle, an empty bag of potato chips, a footprint, an old shoe, anything could be a sign of the Lost Boys. I almost

grandpa, we dismounted the scooter and inched toward the

alone, so they stuck with me. I threw open the outhouse door, then jumped back. The kids screamed briefly, but were relieved to see the place was vacant. We looked around, found

happening day with the grandkids. It turned into a pretty good hoping the "Lost Boys" turned a nothing-to-write-about-

accident. He did not plan on dying nor would he.

There was so much more to that kid than the five-minute

Thanks, Jill Wenger

Dear Editor,

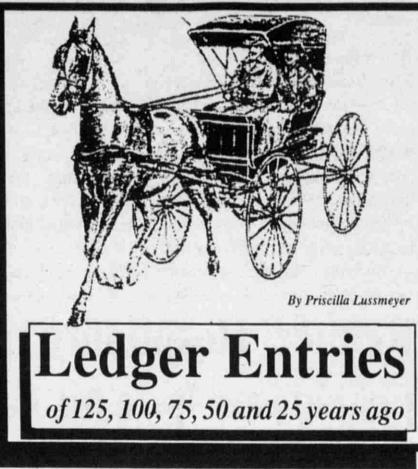
Of the 13 school districts in Kent County that have had teacher contracts up for renewal, 10 have settled. What exactly is holding up Lowell's bargaining process? Why does our administration seem to be stalling or dragging this out? Let's look at the facts:

Salary-2003-04 # of districts/% of salary increase - settled contracts - 2 of 10/0% increase;

2004-05 # of districts/% of salary increase - settled contracts - 4 of 10/1% increase*, 6 of 10/2% increase or higher. *All receiving less than 2% reduced their calendar enough

2005-06 # of districts/% of salary increase- settled con-

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125 YEARS THE WEEKLY JOURNAL **AUGUST 27, 1879**

Marshal Griggs of Middleville was stabbed by two Swedes Saturday night in a saloon. The marshal died Sunday.

Go to the ninety-nine cent store for hammocks, umbrellas, chairs, etc. Also the latest style of hoop skirts for 50 cents. Hillsdale had a \$50,000 fire Friday night. St. Johns also was hit by fire.

The United Brethren Church is holding a huge camp meeting at Freeport.

The new power press arrived last Thursday and was installed on the second floor. Thanks to volunteers, for it was a heavy load.

100 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER **AUGUST 25, 1904**

The Detroit Daily Times is reported to say the electric railway construction will start in about two weeks.

Miss Kate Perry is attending Teachers Institute at Grand Miss Agnes Perry is ill this week, so D.H. Owen is the

"Hello" person at Citizens Central (telephone). Much cement sidewalk construction is going on, and the

end of the plank walks is predicted. Pioneer businessman Milo Miller contemplates moving to California to spend his declining days.

75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER AND THE ALTO SOLO AUGUST 29, 1929

The Lowell American Legion Band will compete at the band contest during the Legion state meeting in Battle Creek. A young man is severely burned at an oil station in Lowell when he lights a cigaret while the gas tank is being filled. ("oil" and "cigaret" are the way it was said).

Dexter G. Look argues in favor of a one-mill county tax

Winegar and Hartman advertise fly killers Flit, Black Flag and something called El Vampiro Powder.

Frank's 5c to \$1.00 Store will have its grand opening this Saturday, with hourly bargains.

50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER **AUGUST 26, 1954**

More attendance, more exhibits, more animals shown at the 4-H Fair, so tents and pens had to be borrowed to hold them

The Village Council votes to buy two Fairbanks-Morse engines for the power plant, for not quite \$121 thousand, delivered.

Chris Burch has retired from football coaching, so Bob Perry is in charge this fall.

The new building addition will be ready the second week

Hartman's is still the place to go to buy your school books.

25 YEARS THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER **AUGUST 29, 1979**

Soaring energy costs, the Headlee amendment, and a probable teacher strike over many unresolved issues make the September 4 opening of schools problematic.

November 5 will be Expulsion Day for pupils who do not have their immunization shots; religious or other objections

There are 150 workers and their families who attend the first annual city employees' picnic at Recreation Park. Jim Fitzgerald weighs in against beepers in the column "If

Roger Brown's "Cozy Corner" tells of computer repair

costs for parts and getting a repairman out from Grand Rapids (both very expensive).

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"Let not your heart be troubled," words from the lips of Jesus just before going to the cross. In a few hours, events would occur that would cause the disciples' hearts to be deeply troubled and despaired. They would witness the one they had left everything to follow, unjustly accused, brutally beaten, hammered to a cross and die, and for what? Only to lose it all in the end, what a waste!

So as they came to the end of the road there at Calvary and

looked up at their leader, it seemed to them that his ministry was a complete failure ... so much for that, let's go fishing. And if you stop the story there it would, indeed, be a failure.

But Friday wasn't the end of the story - it was only the middle of the story. Paul Harvey always says, "Now page two, the rest of the story."

This story truly ends on page two, three days later not at a bloody hill outside Jerusalem, but in a garden at an empty tomb. Christianity is the only religion I know of that produces an empty tomb. Every other religious leader who ever lived has a mosque or shrine that claims to house the remains of that leader, but search as you may, the tomb is empty and that's where our hope and joy is found.

A few days after one of my grandchildren was born, he developed very severe complications that were life threatening. As I stood in the intensive care unit and held that fragile little body in my hands, I remember all the wires and IV's, the cover over his eyes and the tongue depressors they used for arm splints and how Kathy and I had to be in those surgical gowns with gloves and masks. It was one of the times I felt most helpless. I remember saying to the Lord as I stood there, be." John14:1-2 THE (real) END

"This is one of those times that I have to totally trust you, Lord. Would you please give him life, or else give me grace to accept

Sixteen years later, Nicholas, the kid that gives me such a ribbing when we get together, is that same baby I held in my arms so helplessly, and when I see him I see a miracle and I never cease to think about that day and to thank God for his life.

I know that many of you reading this can share similar experiences. We have a tendency to stop at the cross rather than go to the garden when things happen in our lives, but the words Jesus spoke to the disciples just before the cross are the words He whispers in our ears at the time of greatest stress. The empty tomb is my guarantee of the fact that no matter how bad the situation may get, no matter how dark the days may appear, no matter how helpless I am in the situation, this is only the middle of the story.

I don't know what is taking place in your life right now or what you are dealing with but let me comfort you with these words, "Let not your heart be troubled ... I will come again and receive you unto myself, that where I am, there you may also

Renucci Hospitality House provides respite for caring families

and business owner of Heidi vices the house provides. Christine's Salons, has been Elzinga, who was diagnosed an active volunteer for the with lung cancer, had success-Renucci Hospitality House for ful surgery last week to reover a year. The house offers move the lower right lobe. convenient and comfortable accommodations for families ists from Heidi Christine's of loved ones hospitalized at Salons in Ada, Dutton and Spectrum Health or DeVos Grand Rapids, have volun-Children's Hospital.

Patty Elzinga, of Lowell cently experienced the ser-

Since July of 2003, stylteered to do manicures, hair-Elzinga's own family re- cuts, makeovers and massage

AUGUST 31: Amy Vezino, Scott Wolfe. for Lowell Leadership 04-05

to guests at Renucci Hospitality House.

"Now that my family is in need of the Renucci House's hospitality, it really solidifies the importance of our volunteer efforts," said Elzinga. "It is my hope that other local businesses will follow suit and consider volunteering their time to a charity too."

Mark A. Hyzer Jr., a ond year undergraduate stu-2003 graduate of Lowell High dents who excel academically. School, accepted membership Hyzer will enter his sophoin The National Society of more year at CMU with a Collegiate Scholars and will double major in history and be honored during a campus social studies with an empha-

Michigan University. The society, founded in and Sharon Hyzer of Lowell. 1994, recognizes first and sec-



Mark A. Hyzer Jr.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

AUGUST 26: Teresa AUGUST 28: Lee Miller. Kimble, Regan Doyle, Dianne Terri Hoag, Kim Stager. Gee, Elva Ayres, Brandie Barnes.

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AUGUST 29: Roger Nead, Myers. AUGUST 27: Virgil Donna Jean Hathaway, Betty Heaston, Kenney Vickers.

AUGUST 30: Jim Austin, Herb Swan. LIVE seeks participants

SEPTEMBER 1: Jerry Bellah, Todd Mahalic, Chuck

The Lowell Institute for course takes place in seven projects. The class starts with Volunteer Excellence (LIVE) monthly sessions. Through a retreat on Saturday, Oct. still has room for new appli- the program, LIVE trains 23. Then monthly Tuesday cants for its '04-'05 Lowell people to be effective leaders Leadership program. The for community volunteer

COLLEGE NEWS

ceremony this fall at Central sis in secondary education.

He is the son of Mark Sr.

classes train participants in subjects like fundraising, grant writing, event planning, public speaking, and running

The class chooses and takes on a community project each year. The most recent class project was the restoration of the Lowell Showboat.

This will be the fifth year of the Lowell Leadership program. For more information or an application, contact the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce at 897-9161.

Happiness is good health and a bad memory. -Ingrid Bergman

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Several former students attend Wilkinson School reunion

The Wilkinson school re- was moved to Denton Rd. and union was held on July 25 at used as a home but is no longer Fallasburg Park. One teacher, in existence. 18 former students, two former board members,

spouses and guests attended. who were a real challenge be- prices were very low and taxes cause they were eager to learn high, but the debt was paid and would try to outdo each off. other. They were Bruce Dav-

school replaced the former pense the water. Bowen school that was lo-

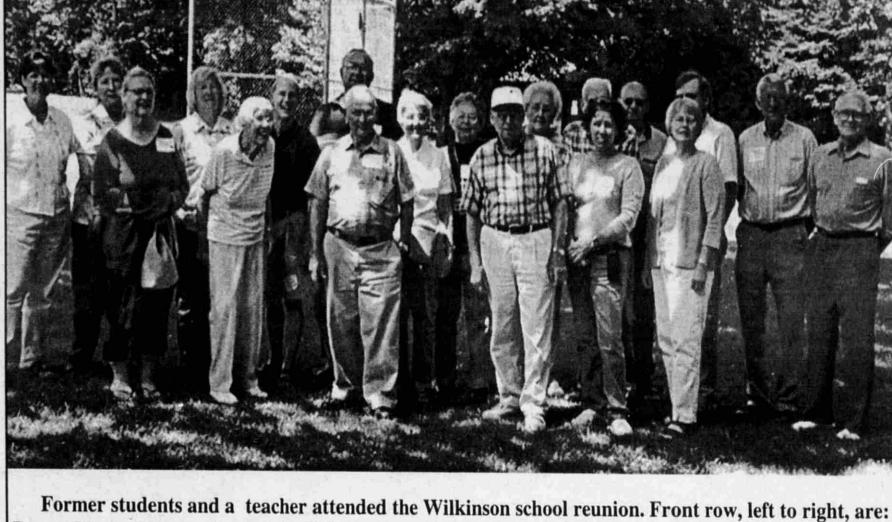
the Wilkinson school during 1938-39.

bonded by general tax obligation for the school district, to The teacher in attendance, be paid for in three years. With Emma (Burgtorf) Goodell, farmers making up the school taught at the school during district and during the time of 1938-1939. Soon to be 88 the Great Depression, it was a years old, she remembers hav- difficult time because milk, ing four boys in the sixth grade meat, eggs and crop produce

The Wilkinson school was

The school house, besides enport (doctor), Chadwick the usual one room, had a li-Lampkin, (doctor), Robert brary room and inside toilets Moffit (lawyer) and Joseph that were like indoor out-Reitz · (Catholic priest). houses. Heated by a wood and Goodell taught 43 years, re- coal stove, the teacher came tiring from Belding High early so the school would be warm when students arrived The Wilkinson school, Water was brought in by a pail built in 1929, is located at the from the hand pump well; later corner of Marble and Potters a crock with a bottom disroads in Keene Township. The penser was purchased to dis-

Other changes throughout cated across the road on Pot- the years included an oil furters Rd. The Bowen school nace installed for heat, and



Dawn (Blasher)Fisher, Emma Goodell (teacher) Edwin Roth, Alfred Roth, Jeanne (Roth) VanderSloot, Birdie Lou (Detmers) Cook; back row: Nancy (Roth) Moore, Dr. Peggy Roth, Jill (Brower) Johnston, Chadwick Lampkin, Herbert Cusack, Ethelyn (Davenport) Rassmussen, Margaret (Reitz) Scheid, Maxine (Detmers) Gasper, Ivan Davenport, Steven Roth, Douglas Davenport, Robert Hardy and Chadwick Lampkin, M.D.

People seem not to see that their opinion of the world Emma Goodell, who will turn 88 on Sept. 4, taught at is also a confession of character.

the well enclosed by a pump erations of children attended house and motorized so water the Wilkinson school. could be piped inside the

Students usually walked cation. or biked to school. No student schools in the area. Two gen- union.

In 1962, the school dis-

school. A sink for hand wash- trict members decided to close ing and drinking water was the school and join the Lowadded, and flush toilets were ell Area School district. The installed. A kindergarten class school was put up for bids was added to the eight grades and Ernest and Joyce Blasher taught, making a lot of prepa- bought it; it resides on their ration for the teacher. farm today in its original lo

Former student Nancy had to travel more than a mile (Roth) Moore, who lives near and a half to school by law; Frankfort, Kentucky, made thus the large number of rural the arrangements for the re-

-Ralph Waldo Emerson



The Wilkinson School was built in 1929.

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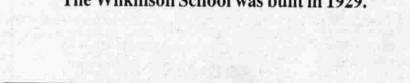
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New space for FROM, continued... From Page 1

food pantry, thrift shop and ties, like the other part of the many of the parking spaces group could present a prelimiformer St. Mary's School, al- posed, Pasquale said. though discussion about this move is only tentative, said ing public service, the current Flat River Outreach board site would need 18 parking member Kraig Haybarker.

the mission board is looking Pasquale said. to build a two-story addition

Because of the proposed be allowed. addition, which would take cern becomes parking.

the addition is zoned R-3 resi- program, Haybarker said. dential. It would either have to be rezoned public facili- would need to determine how

plained. Also, the site might would need to be rezoned C-3 which is currently at the would allow for the uses pro- River Outreach Ministries.

spaces for the existing facil- chair Clarke Jahnke said the The site has two parcels; ity, not counting an addition,

The planning commission on the second parcel to allow stated it really needed to have for more space. To meet some type of site plan with handicap accessible use, the details on what Flat River Outaddition would include an el- reach Ministries is planning evator to the second floor, to do before it could help solve which might feature furniture the parking issue. Pasquale from the thrift shop, La Warre added there might be some parking variations that could

Haybarker said the board up the remaining space at the has discussed possible parksite, city manager David ing at the strip mall across the Pasquale said the main con- street. The mall owners had no problem with this since After looking at the pro- lodge members and Rotary posed plan, Pasquale said the members currently park there site would need to come be- on a short-term basis. All the fore the commission for a re- activity at FROM would be zoning since the vacant lot for short term depending on the

Pasquale said the city

shop storage, La Warre ex- parcel, or the whole parcel are designated for the busi- nary site plan for review where nesses in the mall and what the commission could give the house the pregnancy center, commercial. Either zoning would be available for Flat

"You need to have a re-Based on the facility be- zoning and a site plan review,"

Planning commission plained.

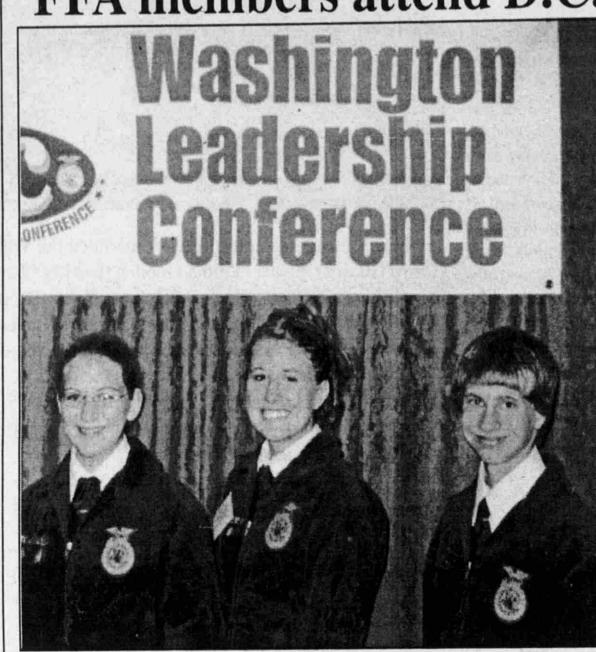
planning commission to determine whether the plan was group some direction. This plan does not need to be a certified, signed, sealed engineering plan, but a drawing to

La Warre said the group

feasible and what direction it cart and which is the horse." tries board member.

The planning commission meets Sept. 27 and the group can bring in plans for review at that time. Commission should take. "We don't want member Barbara Schmaltz to get the cart before the abstained from all discussion horse," La Warre said. "We on the project since she is a show the ideas, Jahnke ex- just aren't sure which is the Flat River Outreach Minis-

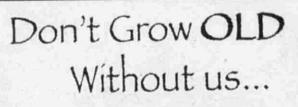
FFA members attend D.C. conference



Hannah Knudstrup, Julie Dunn and Louie Glinzak, of the Lowell chapter of the National FFA organization attended the 2004 Washington Leadership Conference (WLC) June 22-27 in Washington D.C.

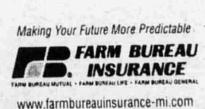
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HERE'S WHAT TO LOOK FOR IN A PORTFOLIO REVIEW

You may reach a point at which you think you're doing everything you should with your investments-and then you'll find that things have changed. Maybe your family situation is

now different. Or maybe you've discovered that your portfolio has somehow evolved into something other than it once was. In short, things don't always stay the same. And that's why you need to conduct a portfolio review at least once a year.

If you work with an investment professional, he or she will have a particular method of evaluating your holdings, but every good review should cover, at a minimum, the following questions:

· Is your portfolio properly diversified? Over time, your portfolio may have become "unbalanced"—even if you didn't do a thing to it. You may have started out with stocks making up, say, 60 percent of your investments. But during a strong bull market, your stocks could have gained so much value that they now make up to 70 percent-which means you could be taking on more risk than you'd like. Conversely, during a long

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Michael Blaine carved "Stumpy

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perintendent Mark Mundt's

bear market, your fixed-income holdings, such as bonds, could take on an increasingly greater percentage of your portfolio's value, so that you risk losing some of the growth potential you need. By reviewing your portfolio annually, you can see what adjustments you should make to achieve a suitable level of diversification.

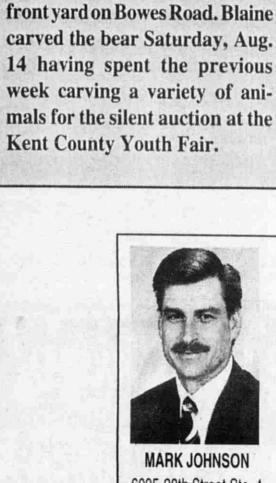
Of course, your definition of "suitable" will change over time. When you're young, you can afford to invest more aggressively. But, as you near retirement, you might want to become somewhat more conservative to protect the gains you may have achieved. Consequently, during your annual portfolio reviews, try to determine if your risk level still fits your

 Are your investments performing as they should for you to reach your long-term goals? If you put your portfolio together carefully, you planned on individual investments achieving rates of return strong enough to help you meet your long-term goals. So, if some of your investments are laggards over a course of a few years, you may need to replace them.

· Are you paying too much in investment taxes? As you look over your portfolio each year, try to spot opportunities to reduce your investment taxes, which can diminish your "real" rate of return. For example, as a result of recent tax law changes, taxes on most stock dividends have been reduced to 15 percent, previously, these dividends were taxed at your individual tax rate. You may now be able to integrate more dividend-paying stocks into your portfolio, thereby achieving some tax benefits. Your tax adviser can help suggest other ways in which you could cut your investment taxes.

• Have you recently experienced job or family changes? Your employment and family situations will clearly affect your investment strategies. If you've taken a different job, you may have a new 401(k) or other employer-sponsored plan to incorporate into your portfolio. And if you've just married, or had a child, you may need to adjust your investments to reflect some important new objectives, such as saving for a house or building funds for college.

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MEN'S FRIDAY NIGHT LEAGUE SOFTBALL CHAMPS Team Proseal Asphalt/Denny's Apts was captained by Keith Stanford and won the Friday night league with a

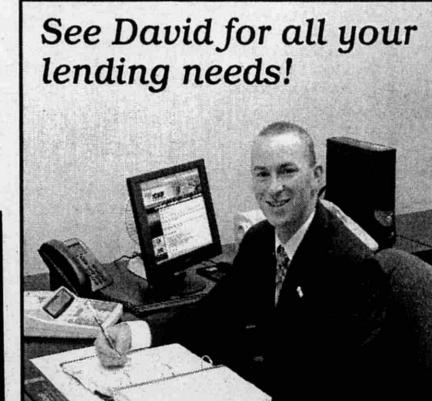
record of 12-0.

Thank you to all the teams that participated in the summer softball leagues for a great season. A special thanks to all the sponsors who helped these teams compete.

Congrats To The Following League Champs: MONDAY NIGHT DIVISION I: 1st Methodist Church

MONDAY NIGHT DIVISION II: Team GNS/Roll-A-Way Fun Center WEDNESDAY NIGHT: Shape Works • FRIDAY NIGHT: Proseal Asphalt/Denny's Ants

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| SION I 1: Shape Works | 10-2 |
| First Methodist 10-1-1 2: Ball Busters | 9-3 |
| Vergennes United Methodist 7-4-1 3: Full Throttle | 7-5 |
| Turning Leaf Homes 8-4 4: Larkin's | 2-10 |
| R.G. Enterprises 3-9 General Crete | 2-10 |
| Lakeside Sluggers 1-11 FRIDAY NIGHT MEN'S LEAGUE | W-L |
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| Team GNS/Roll-A-Way Fun Center 11-1 2: Sysco | 8-4 |
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subject of a multimillion dol-

lar PR campaign touting it

as if it were not fiction, but

cinéma vérité, a realistic

warning of what could hap-

pen if people don't disman-

tle modern economy to stave

off global warming. Yet the

by global warming theory

advocates are supported

more by political ideology

than by science, say experts at the National Center for

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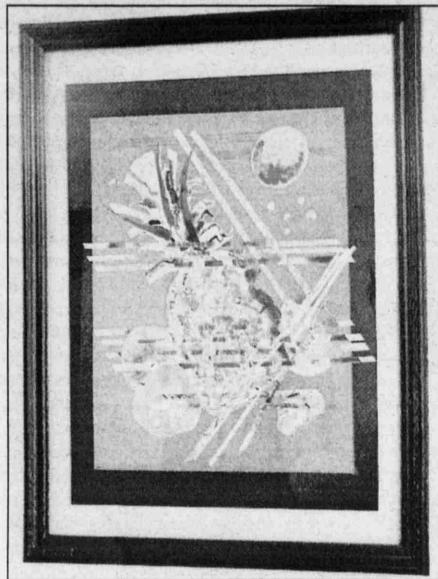
"Basket Weaving" a colorful art show at the chamber

By Dan Schneider

walls at the Lowell Area ket Weaving." Chamber of Commerce con-

Art currently on the art. The show is called "Bas-

The colors in "Urban



"Pineapple Delight" by local artist Jerri Teelander is a recycled watercolor painting. It is among several paper structure works currently on display at the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce in a show called "Basket Weaving."

and other paper-structure rusty and faded, looking like of the work in the show is ings are primarily made, in apple, thought it was well

sists of woven watercolors Renewal" by Sue Gillis are

also a duck in there, hence composition, including a art teacher David Davis. small monarch as well as moths. All of these were class but students do other from a previous painting done for the show.

Much of the remainder

ers and brown stems.

broken-down steel-girder more abstract. building structures.

"Ducks in a Row," by among the art pieces, apart Linda Hopkins, is murky, from them being made of anything out," Davis said. I could take it apart and arblue and dark green with the paper, is that they are all the "You might be able to use it range it in a more pleasing prominent color on top be- products of the same art again.' ing sunset orange. There's class.

painted on paper, cut out, types of things as well. In with the bright-colored pabackground of white flow- tercolor paintings into new thing. and different compositions.

"The pieces in the paint-

most cases, from failed wa- done, but the composition A common thread tercolor, so that'a a very didn't work, it wasn't intergood reason not to throw esting," Teelander said. "So

"I cut little holes out of "These are all students gular strips of bright paper my pineapple and let the from the Studio Two O Eight and strips of paintings to background show through, "Field Day," by Vicky group, which is my studio make new compositions out and those little cut-out holes Graham, has several very for working and teaching," of watercolors she wasn't I also incorporated into my realistic butterflies in the explained show curator and happy with. "Pineapple Depainting." light" is an example. It mixes It was one of three re-He teaches a watercolor fragments of a pineapple cycled works Teelander has

There are six artists and and glued on a watercolor this case it was making wa- per strips to make a new 11 pieces in the exhibit

which runs through Sept. 3. "I really liked the pine-

Museum renovation, cont'd...From Page 1

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covering these old newspa- that is now the historical mu- said. pers, one of them just shot out seum. The house depicted had

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"Then one day while re- Graham's design for the house on the front of it," Blough torian homes.

The historic district comparts of Victorian life. With at me," Blough said. "It was a the same three-foot roof over- mission agreed with his the invention of air conditionpicture of a Victorian house hangs, the same brickwork theory. The picture became ing a long way off, Victorian with the article and when I and the same decorative ele- the basis for the design of the families did much of their ensaw it. I thought it was this ments around the windows. porch. Design elements such tertaining on the porch during "The treatments over the as the wide spindles and the the summer. A Victorian gar-Blough believes the house windows were the same as large size of the porch came den to be built at the foot of in the old newspaper inspired this house and it had a porch from researching other Vic- the porch is in the final plan-

Porches were important

ning stages. Some of it should be installed in time for the grand opening. By the time the museum

celebrates the opening of the new portion Sept. 18, an exhibit will be complete for the new changing exhibit rooms in the back of the expansion. The exhibit will be called "In Service of Our Country: Lowell's Participation in the United States Armed Forces.'

It will cover the history of Lowell's military service through peacetime and conflict. The museum already has several relevant artifacts for the exhibit, but is seeking people willing to loan artifacts for a more complete pic-

"We have very, very little om the Vietnam War,"

The exhibit will give a global perspective on different conflicts, narrowing to a focus on the involvement of Lowell's service men and women. The museum is 95 percent done, by Straub's estimation, with a computer program for the exhibit. It will allow visitors to search by name for historical information on Lowell soldiers.

Three oral histories of soldiers' World War II experiences will also be completed in time for the grand opening Two have been produced by the Michigan Military History Museum and the third is being produced locally by museum volunteers

Nothing is a waste of time if you use the experience

-Auguste Rodin

Tea & melodies

By Dan Schneider

her lap and sliding a piece of copper pipe over the strings, Marie Den Houter was picking and singing some old-time country music and gospel for a tea party crowd last Wednes- Sears and Roebucks and, you ladies, for the most part, dress

done her share of singing in her life-a lot of it at PTAs, churches and missions.

"I've been singing in public since I was 17," she said. "And I sing three nights a week in Florida, two nights of country and one night of gos-

with her two older brothers doesn't involve fingering they frame the face." on the family farm where she chords on the frets. She also grew up in Dutton.

"As soon as I could hold a hoe, my dad said, 'We could use your help in the cornfield," Den Houter said.

sing out a yodeling note. The the longest-traveled coming With a guitar set flat on second-oldest would follow. And she'd catch on and take it when she was 16.

know, we thought that was up for the occasion. At 89, Den Houter has the most beautiful music we ever heard," Den Houter said. The guitar she played last

> Wednesday said "Goya" on Lacic said. it. But it wasn't a post-baroque painter or a can of papaya juice. It was a guitar. She played it in the Hawaiian style, using the slide and

taught herself to play piano. sixth year of hosting tea par- selves now. ties. There were about 60

Her oldest brother would guests in attendance this year, from Pentwater.

Lacic started hosting the from there. She got her first tea parties after attending one guitar and started playing herself several years ago. Most of the people are friends, "The first one, we sent to family and bingo regulars. The

"They go shopping and they put on their hats and their long dresses and everything,"

They wear a certain type of rather large hat. "It's styled mostly from

old hats, and the old hats were called picture hats," Lacic thumb-pick. It's a less com- said. "The reason they call She started out singing plicated style of playing that them picture hats is because

> Some wear jewelry handed down from their The tea party was held at grandmothers, and many of the home of Dot Lacic, in her them are grandmothers them-

Marie Den Houter plays "chime bells," an old-time country tune, on her guitar. She played several songs at the tea party at Dot Lacic's house.

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Safety Town "graduates" 32



Jared Lezan, 5, brings his big wheel to a stop at an intersection in the northwest corner of Safety Town. Approaching the intersection is Isabelle Fleszar. Last Friday, 32 kids graduated from the first Lowell Safety Town. In five 2-hour classes last week, the students learned rules and principles for safely navigating a city as a pedestrian and in general. Guests from the Coast Guard taught water safety to the children. The Lowell Fire Department brought its smoke house to demonstrate fire escapes during one class. Lowell's D.A.R.E. officer Steve Bukala taught children pedestrian safety and how to avoid stranger danger. Lowell Community Wellness director Jessica Johnston taught poison avoidance.





customer per day. Not valid with any other customer per day.

The 5-3 Lowell victory

flights to finish that day. First

In first singles, Gunberg

6-1. Wall called it "a very

Other singles victories for

"She [Spratt] really had

Koning and Plummer

doubles match against Erica

The score was 6-1, 5-7, 7-

to defeat Emily Enz and

Lowell hosted Forest

Kayla Irwin and Wernet

Lowell were Irwin defeating

COMNGEVENTS

Notices in The Ledger's "Com- 2ND TUES.: G.R. Chapter ing Events" are free of charge of the American Sewing to any nonprofit organization Guild, D.W. Richardson in the Lowell, Ada, Alto & Center, 5255 Grand River Saranac areas. We prefer Dr. 6:30 social time; 7 p.m. such notices to be kept brief meeting & program. Olga, and to be submitted by mail, 975-9977. but will accept notices by phone at 897-9261.

SUNDAYS: Tri-town Con- MI#372 meets at Key Fairgrounds. 897-6050. servation Club trap & skeet league, 5616 Dunn Rd. 12-5 p.m. Call Larry at ins 5:45 p.m. 754-7104. Public welcome

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

EVERY MON.: Women's over 30 drop-in basketball, 7-9:30 p.m. at Cherry Creek Elementary. Call Dave (YMCA) 897-8445. Fee \$3.

3RD MON .: Fallasburg Historical Society board meetings at chamber office or Fallasburg, 7 p.m. All invited. Call 897-7161 for info. or location.

2ND MON .: Lowell Board of Education meets 7 p.m. in Administration Building, 300 High Street.

2ND MON .: Bowne Township Historical Society meeting at Historical Museum, 84th and Alden Nash, 7:30 p.m.

MON. OR TUES .: Cub Scouts, boys in 1st - 5th grades, Alto or Lowell. Call school for more info.

4TH MON .: Clark-Ellis American Legion Post 152, 3100 Alden Nash S.E. at 7:30 p.m.

3RD MON .: Women of the Moose business meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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

Beltline) at 7 p.m. Call **EVERY MON.:** Boy Scout Linda: 874-5662; teen Troop 102, 11 & up or comgroup: Sarah 281-6588. pleting 5th-grade, meets 7-8:30 p.m. at Scout Cabin. **EVERY OTHER WED.:** Call Terry 868-6481.

1ST TUES .: Grattan Historical Society meets in O'Brien Room of Grattan Township Hall, 12050 Old Belding Rd. Public invited.

1ST TUES .: Diabetic Support group, 9:30 Schneider Manor Community Rm.,

Impact, a Wesleyan

Church, 1070 N. Hudson.

Call 897-8304 for details.

725 Bowes Rd. meets at noon at Lowell Masonic Temple, 119 Lin-2ND & 4TH TUES .: MOPS coln Lake Ave. - Mothers of Preschoolers ... because mothering mat-**EVERY WED.:** Lowell ters. 9:15-11:30 a.m. at

EVERY TUES .: Take Off at 7:30 p.m., King Memo- Fulton. Pounds Sensibly Tops rial Youth Center at 4-H Heights Mobile Home Park Community Bldg. Weigh- 2ND WED .: Lowell

EVERY TUES.: Flat River Community Room, 725 Woodcarvers meet at the LAAC from 6:30 - 8:30

1ST TUES .: Adults with 4 p.m. at St. Paul's Angli-AD/HD at Calvin College. 7-9 p.m. Call Gary Engle Grand Rapids. Call Dorat 897-6325 or 248-2423. othy 897-9794.

2ND & 4TH TUES .: EVERY THURS .: Weight needleart/quilting bee Nazarene Church, 201 N. Masonic Center, 119 Linmeets 5-8:30 p.m. at 4 Washington St. 5:30 p.m. coln Lake. Dinner: 6:30 Health Wellness Center in Register 1/2 hr. before the p.m. Saranac. For all or part meeting. For information time; Anyone is welcome. call 1-800-651-6000. Contact Bey or Melissa. 642-6466 for info. A light EVERY 2ND THURS .: Lowell 6:30 p.m. socializdinner will be provided.

of Columbus #7719 meets standing are invited. St. Mary School, 7:30 p.m.

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32156 4 Mile NE/ E.

6:45-8:45 p.m. G.E.M.S.

ALANON meets at Lowell

years. Call 897-8800.

2ND TUES.: Lowell Ma- Area Musicians and Sing- port Group meets 7-8:30 ers practice at Saranac sonic Lodge meeting, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Center, 119 High School Band Room. Choir:6-7 p.m./band:7-8. Lincoln Lake. Call Kathy Maatman at

1ST & 3RD TUES .: Lowell 897-5981.

Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., Look Memorial Fire Station, 315 **EVERY THURS.:** Pottery classes at Franciscan Life Process Center, 6:30 - 8:30 3RD TUES.: Saranac p.m. Call 897-7842.

journaling group meets at 4 Health Wellness Center, St.Mary's Pregnancy Cri-Saranac, 5:30-8:30 p.m. sis Center, 402 Amity St., Light refreshments served. non-denominational help Bev or Melissa, 642-6466. for pregnant women / adolescents at the school: 11 3RD TUES.: Parents of a.m. - 3 p.m.; Mondays: children w/AD/HD at St. 5:30 - 8 p.m. 897-9393.

> 1ST THURS.: Michigan Hepatitis C Foundation support meetings, 7 - 8:30 p.m. at Spectrum Health Kent Community Campus Multipurpose Rm. 750

Girls Club - Calvary Christian Reformed Church. 1ST THURS.: 4-H drama Ages 8-13. 897-8694. club meeting. Lowell Middle School choir room. EVERY WED.: 8 p.m. Call 897-1502 after 5 p.m.

Congregational Church up- 2ND THURS.: Ada Historical Society at 7 p.m. Averill Historical Museum, EVERY WED.: Rotary 7144 Headley, Ada.

3RD THURS.: 4 Health Wellness Center Saranac, Parent Support Group meets 7-8:30 p.m. Parenting issues, educa-Church of the Nazarene tional topics. Call 642-6466 Vacation Bible School, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., ages 5-12 for information.

EVERY WED.: Tri-town 1ST & 3RD THURS.: Alto Conservation Club trap & Lions Club meets at skeet league, 5616 Dunn Annalaine's on S. Alden Rd. 6-10 p.m. Call Larry Nash Ave. at 7 p.m. 754-7104. Public welcome.

2ND WED.: Kent County

Youth Fair Board meeting

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p.m. in Schneider Manor

2ND WED.: Support group

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2ND THURS.: N.A.R.F.E. Main St. Call 897-2037. at 1:30 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 2700 E.

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nastics sign-up at Lowell

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fice, 320 N. Monroe, 10

a.m. until classes are all

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3RD THURS.: Rubber stamping at Christian Life Center 6-9 p.m. Create scrapbooks, share supplies. Dawn 862-8841.

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

3RD THURS .: Parents Supporting Parents group, Franciscan Life Process Center, 897-7842.

3RD THURS.: Royal Arch Watchers at Lowell Masons, 7:30 p.m., Lowell

3RD THURS .: LaLeche League of Ada, Cascade, ing; meeting 7 p.m. Support men's meeting 7:30 p.m. - for pregnant/breastfeeding 2ND & 4THTUES .: Knights ? All members in good women; Ada church. 752- tration; no phone calls.

> EVERY THURS.: Saranac 3RD THURS.: Parent Supp.m. at The 4 Health Wellness Center Saranac.Many educational topics related to parenting and parenting issues are discussed. Call Bey or Melissa at 642-6466 for more information.

> > 2ND THURS .: Genealogy-Alto Fam. Tree Club. Alto THURS.: Library 6:30 - 8 p.m.

> > > **EVERY FRI.:** Arts/Crafts volunteers meet at Franciscan Life Process Center, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Call Pat or Judy at 897-7842 to meet new friends, share your talent.

2ND SAT.: Lowell Ama-Radio Club, Lowell Airport, 730 Lincoln Lake NE. 9 a.m. social time; 10 a.m. meeting. LARC sponsors 145.27 MHz area radio repeater system.

SAT. ALL SUMMER: Open bowling at Lowell Lanes, 4-7 p.m. 1/2 offees for shoes & lanes go to Flat River Outreach Ministries food pantry.

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

LOWELL AREA HIS-TORICAL MUSEUM: Tues., Sat. & Sun.1-4; Thurs., 1-8. Families: \$10; individuals \$3; 5-17 \$1.50; members free.

THURS.. SEPT. 2: Free FLAT RIVER OUTfood commodities for low REACH MINISTRIES income families, 9-5 p.m. THRIFT SHOP HOURS: at Moose Recreation Hall. Wed.- Fri. 12-6 p.m.; Sat. 1320 E. Main. 897-6792. 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. 519 E.

> THURS., SEPT. 2: Vergennes Cooperative Club at Schneider Manor activities room at 1 p.m. Program:Fallasburg Fall Festival. Hostesses Marsha Wilcox, Mary Ann Gwatkin, Greta Parsons.

TUES., SEPT. 7: TOPS Mi 372 40th anniversary celebration held at Lowell First United Methodist Church, 6 p.m. All past members are invited.

SAT., SEPT. 11: Foodmobile at 4-H fairgrounds, 10-11 a.m. Bring box or bag. Mostly produce.

TUES., SEPT. 14: Lowell Middle School Middle Fest open house, 6-8:30 p.m. Hot dog dinner, school info. available.shortenedschedule of student's school day. ???'s, call 897-9222.

SAT., OCT. 30: Family Friends and Neighbors need crafters for the 3rd annual craft show at Grattan Academy High School in Greenville. Call Dianna 691-6504.



LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES 897-5949

MON .: 9:00 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall. TUES .: 9:00 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall.

THURS .: 9:00 a.m. Walk/ Shop at Malls; 9:30 a.m. Crafts; 1:00 p.m. Euchre

FRI.: 9:00 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall

SPECIAL EVENTS

WED., AUG. 25: 8:30 a.m. Traveling Breakfast Real Food; 12:45 p.m. Radio Bible Ministries.

THURS., AUG. 26: 12:45

Steak and Shake.

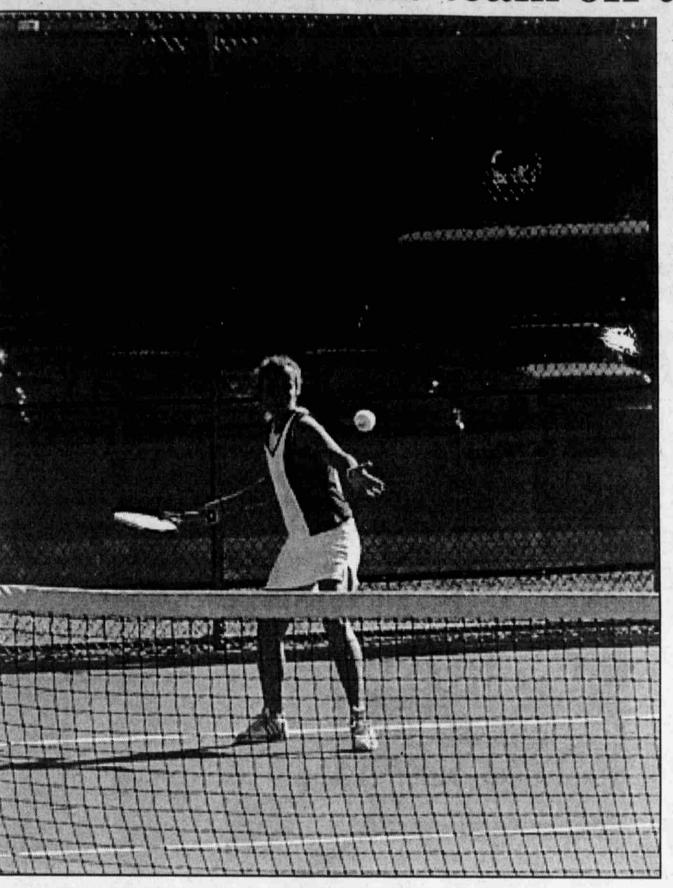
p.m. Shop Horrocks

MON., AUG. 30: 4 p.m. Dinner at Brann's.

FRI., AUG. 27: 12:45 p.m

TUES., AUG. 31: 12 p.m. Potato Bar Lunch.

Red Arrow tennis team off to strong start



Lowell's Mandy Gunberg serves to Lakewood's Kallie Walker in last Thursday's tennis action. It was a close win for the Arrows over the Vikings.

Bill Potter, class of 1950, at bat for the Clearwater

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Former Lowell grad receives MVP award

By Dan Schneider

The Red Arrows varsity 6(4). tennis team has come away the court so far this year.

Lowell took first place final. Lowell won the invitational. doubles finals. "We were pretty much

the same (as last year) only Geelhoed and Jean Kimberlin (6-4, 6-0) and Spratt defeatour wins were very decisive of Lowell won the consola- ing Katie Taylor in fourth this year," Lowell coach tion final to take third place singles (6-0, 6-0). Bonnie Wall said.

the finals in seven of the eight Gunberg lost in the final to said flights. They won in six of Ionia's Chelsea Boering (6those finals matches.

Lowell's Rachelle the flight. Levingston didn't lose a game in the second singles final. She defeated Haley Shaull of Charlotte, 6-0, 6-0.

singles final went to Lowell's Haley Irwin, who defeated Molly Janwinski Middleville in a tight match. The match went three sets,

stroked 15 hits, including nine

straight, and received Most

ing a medal and plaque for his

Clearwater and works for the

Philadelphia Phillies during

spring training. He resides in

Iron Mountain during the sum-

Potter winters in

outstanding play.

The name Bill Potter may tional Senior Softball Cham-

not be familiar to many in Low-pionships in Plano, Texas. He

the fairgrounds, is well-known. Valuable Player award, earn-

ell but the name Chris Burch,

of the Burch football field near

Potter, a 1950 graduate of Low-

ell High School, played for

coach Burch on the 1949 and

1950 Red Arrows' conference

champ team. Potter hit .520 in

Potter, 72, who plays soft-

Reds, participated in the Na-

ball for the Clearwater (Fla.) mer.

49 and .480 in '50

the third determined by tie- with Lakewood, so it was a break. Irwin won 2-6, 6-2, 7- good win."

Lowell's Heather Spratt came down to two tight victorious from both trips to shut out Ionia's Amanda matches in first and third Bosley in the fourth singles doubles. These were the last

by a wide margin in The teams of Becky doubles won their match by Saturday's Ionia Invitational. Plummer and Kelly Koning tie break. Lowell's team score was 29. (one doubles; 6-1, 6-2), Kayla Runners- up Charlotte and Irwin and Shelly Wernet defeated Kallie Walker 6-0, Middleville tied with 18 (three doubles; 6-2, 6-3), and points. Host Ionia finished Terrah Tawney and Lindsay smartly-, consistently-played last with 14 team points. It Aiken (four doubles; 6-1, 6- match.' was the third straight year 0) won their respective

In second doubles, Julie Cori Shanks in third singles in the flight. Lowell's first The Arrows advanced to singles player Mandy an outstanding match," Wall

> 3,6-3) to take second place in prevailed in a tight first Overall, it was a strong Enz and Alexandria Taylor. showing for Lowell.

"It was a good start to the 6(3). season with a win against Victory in the third Lakewood and the win in recovered from a first-set loss Ionia," Wall said.

> Last Thursday, Lowell Darcy Normington in third hosted Lakewood in a closely doubles, 5-7, 6-2, 6-4. contested match, as is typical between the two schools.

> Hills Eastern Monday and "It couldn't have been travels Friday to the Grand much closer," Wall said. "We Rapids Christian Invitational. always have a real tight match

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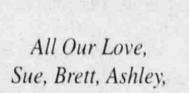
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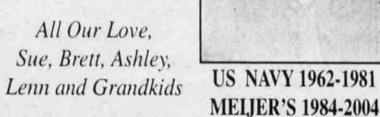
To The Editor, cont'd... From Page 5

-Six of 10 have lower fund equities than Lowell-Lowell teachers proposal: 2003-04/0%; 2004-05/1.75%; 2005-06/2% unless insurance increases beyond 10% and then will renegotiate salary increase.



JOHN BLACK on your 2nd retirement





Lowell board proposal: 2003-04/0%; 2004-05 0%; 2005-

Settled contracts: Seven of 10 can either retain the current insurance and pay the difference of increased costs or change to the new PPO, fully paid by the district but with higher copays and deductibles for teachers. The other three took the new PPO.

insurance and pay the difference, or the new PPO with higher deductibles and copays for the teachers, fully paid for the '04-05 and '05-06.

A successful marriage requires falling in love many times, always with the same person.

-Mignon McLaughlin

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WEILAND FARMS **NOON EQUIPMENT**

Lowell board proposal: No option between two plans, fully paid new PPO for two years and then teachers paying 10% during negotiations for the third year, no matter what insurance goes up to.

My thoughts: While cuts are necessary and many have been taken and other concessions made, what the teachers are proposing does not seem to be out of line. In fact, if the administration and board accept the teachers' last offer, it Lowell teachers proposal: To have a choice of current would still be the lowest settlement in Kent County. With no contract yet, we are only hurting our kids. Teacher morale is low. Lowell does not have to be the "first" to make drastic changes. Let's settle this and get back to focusing on our kids.

Speaking of communicating: Rumors flying around this town are not helpful to anyone! If you have a question or concern, go straight to the source and/or contact each of your board members. Rumors do nothing to solve issues.

A suggestion: If our schools are in danger of losing even more state funding, we need all of our administrators in Michigan to get involved at the state and legislative level now. I urge all community members to start participating in a proactive approach to resolving school funding issues. I know there are a lot of intelligent and creative people in this county who care about the future of our kids. Get involved!

> Sincerely, Dawn Crook, concerned Lowell parent

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Hats off to the Lowell businesses which always seem to support our community sports, clubs, and organizations. We need to support them in return.

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I totally agree with Amy Bush's comment. Sound Off should go. -Katy Harrington -

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We are so lucky to have Jim and Steve working hard every day to make Lowell a better community.

I agree with the person who wrote about Lowell Rescue. They've helped me so many times. Whenever I call they are there. God bless.

It sure doesn't pay to be support staff for Lowell schools. Only a few will have any kind of retirement. Why Is That???

You know we all love our pets - but not the calling cards they leave in the yards. Please clean it up!

I really appreciate the Sound Off column in the Ledger. Thank you for all your efforts.

To all those that helped build the wheelchair deck at the 4-H fairground. Thank you! It's wonderful.

THE LOWELL LEDGER-WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2004 -PAGE 15 The teachers need all of Lowell's support staff.

Thank you to the two families on Alden Nash who turned in my husband's wallet. Thank you so much!

Thanks to the Lowell Ledger, Buyers Guide and Cable for the many times you have placed, free of charge, the ads for free food and commodities.

Thanks to The Ledger for the way the paper is being put together. It has some really interesting things going on in it and it's really supportive of the community. It shows a broad base that reflects what's going on and it's a wonderful change.

The emu story was great. Loved the sense of humor and everything it's what we need. Loved it.

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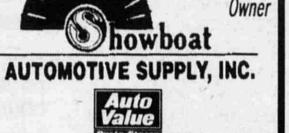
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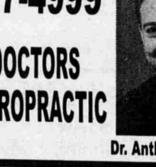
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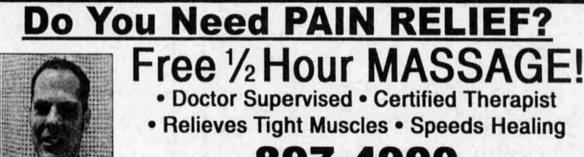
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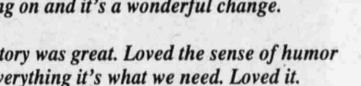


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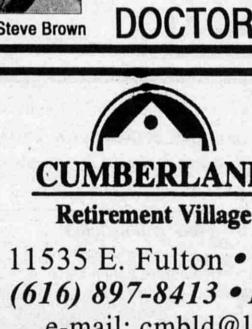
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Where o' where was the Sound Off?



GARAGE

Kyle Wittenbach just missed this putt on the 17th By Dan Schneider hole at Boulder Creek Golf Club during the OK White season opener tournament. He shot a round of 75 despite that fact, good enough for fourth place individually and a medal in the tournament.



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Slow start for golfers at Invitational

By Dan Schneider

of 20 teams last Thursday at ford the Rockford Invitational.

The Red Arrows' team the Arrows played 18 holes score, playing 18 holes at last week. North Kent Golf Club, was 77. Ryan Kalman shot 85; said Brian Scheider, 88; and Jeff Gilliard, 94.

won the invitational with a team score of 285.

was the toughest tournament Scheider, 83; and Mark we've been in." The lineup Cerajewski, 84.

ing 18th in a very strong field City West, and host Rock- East Grand Rapids shot a team It was also the third time in the tournament.

played a full round at Boulder get there." Muskegon Mona Shores Creek Golf Course in Belmont tournament. "There were a lot of very Wittenbach medaled that day, over the position after Jack

The team score of 326 was history and social studies at Fredline called "good golf the best score so far this year the high school. The move up The boys varsity golf schools." These included for the Arrows, but put them from junior varsity coach feels team finished a disappoint- Jenison, Grandville, Traverse sixth in the OK White field. like a small one to Fredline. "It's fun, I enjoy it," he

score of 284 to take first place said. "It's a little bit different because there's a little more "I was pleased with how pressure." we played, it's just everybody Fredline was J.V. coach

"Ithink the boys were get- else was lower," Fredline said. for 12 years before taking the 344. Kyle Wittenbach shot a ting a little tired," Fredline "We're competitive. We have varsity job. It has made him to have a little more consis- more familiar with the play-The day before, they had tency a little lower, but we'll ers on his team this year. Fredline coached most of the It's the beginning of the players on this year's varsity for the OK White conference- first season for Fredline as team at least one year while varsity coach. He is taking they were on J.V.

The Arrows open confergood schools there," Lowell finishing fourth individually Ogle retired from coaching ence play Wednesday at 3:30 coach Gary Fredline said. "It with a 75. Kalman shot 84; golf. Ogle continues to teach p.m. at Deer Run Golf Course.

Soccer opens season with loss, tie

The Lowell soccer team traveled to Traverse City Saturday to take on two teams in a season-opener round robin.

The Arrows fell 3-1 against Traverse City West. The Titans scored two goals in the first half and their third early in the second half. Lowell coach Paul Legge attributed these mostly to a few indiscretions by defense still in its developing stages

"Offensively, we were fine; defensively we struggled," Legge said. "We were a little disorganized in the back and we're trying some things out."

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Traverse City goal, was a bet ≈ the game. ter display of what Lowell could do offensively.

"We pretty much kept the whole game," Legge said. ball in their half the rest of the second half but just couldn't first half. Kevin Gillman

Shane Stokes scored the ing in the game. Arrows' only goal in the

"It was a lot closer than 3- against them," Legge said. sively. 1 would indicate, a lot "We played well with only Last year, the Arrows closer," Legge said. "It was a 10 men and that's a tough went 16-4 overall, were run-

Lowell played an evenly the caliber team we played." matched game against An-Anchor Bay, in Ira, are both chor Bay despite being down a man. Stokes was red carded division one soccer schools. They're the kind of teams place. Legge wants to be playing,

The second half, after the for pushing 10 minutes into ger, stronger schools," Legge

Traverse City West and

"Our non-conference

He expects big things in "It stunk because we had his fifth year of coaching varto play a man down for the sity, especially from goalie The Tars scored in the Mike Bushell.

"I think our goalie could get the ball to go in," Legge countered for Lowell in the be, possibly, the best goalie second. It was the only scor- we've had," Legge said. "I think we're going to be as "Even with a man down, good as we were last year. we still controlled the game This team is very good offen-

very evenly matched game." thing to do, especially against ners-up in the OK White conference standings and won the conference tournament This year, the defense just needs a few pieces to fall into

> "Our back four we just with the post season already don't have the right chemistry yet," Legge said.

The next game is Thursgames we try to pick up bigday at Grandville.

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Cross country teams hitting the trails running

By Dan Schneider

The Red Arrow girls cross Wayland (51). country team took first place

Wayland (66).

Lowell's fastest runner in 21:37. Rounding out the Debiak (21:43), Emily Gerard (22:36).

(62), the only OK White team Northview (116).

at the invitational, and host Scoring runners for Lowell were Judd (seventh place. The top three runners for 21:35), Debiak (ninth, 21:45),

Saturday at the Wayland Invi- Lowell stayed in a pack up Fitzpatrick (22:03), Gerard tational while the boys took front, finishing fifth, sixth and (23:07) and Becky DeLiefde fourth place. It was the sec- seventh and all under 18 min- (23:10). ond meet of the year for both utes. They were Eric Schumm (17:49), Mitch Solon (17:55), pretty good race," Lowell The girls' team score of and Steve Ellison (17:57). The coach Clay Vander Warf said. (22:11).

score was 60, putting them in Hauschild (22:23) and Emily nant Grand Rapids Christian team (23). The Arrows finished The boys' team score of well ahead of Forest Hills Cen-96 put them behind Forest tral (89) and OK White oppo-Hills Eastern (72), Northview nents Kenowa Hills (90) and Grand Rapids, ahead of

Steve Ellison kicks toward the finish in the boys

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race at the East Grand Rapids Invitational.

27 put them well ahead of other scorers were Andy Mark "A lot of them seemed to be Middleville (65) and host (18:37) and Ken Hayes nervous, they talked about that at the beginning of the Lowell faced more OK meet ... about being nervous, was Karen Judd, who ran the White competition in the Gold but I was happy with the five kilometers in 21:33. division of the East Grand Raptimes. All we've got to worry Monica Fitzpatrick was close ids Invitational last Thursday about is bringing those 23s behind her, finishing the race at Manhattan Park in East down, but that will happen as Grand Rapids. The girls' team the season progresses."

"I thought they ran a

Hauschild and Gerard second place behind a domi- were both able to bring their times down into the 22s Sat-

The boys finished in the middle of the pack at East Kenowa Hills and Forest Hills Central. The Arrows' team score of 62 put them behind Northview (47) and winner Grand Rapids Christian (42).

Lowell's top three finished consecutively at East, as well, but it was Ellison at the front of the Lowell pack. He took fourth place in 17:50 followed by Schumm (18:07) and Solon (18:15). The other scoring runners for Lowell were Mark (19:29) and Chad Drenth (21:34).

"We had a good, tight pack. Steve was up there and the other guys weren't far behind," VanderWarf said.

He's waiting for a few varsity runners to finish work commitments and family vacations. He hopes they'll fill in the gap between the front unners and the rest of the

"It's not a situation I'm worried about," VanderWarf

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11259 Ware Rd., Lowell, Fri., Aug. 27, 9-noon; Sat., Aug. 28, 9-11 a.m. Little Tikes galore, Barbie jeep, quad runner, Barbie vette, all battery operated. Tons of other great stuff.

FRI. & SAT.

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