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# New state legislation may help local tool and die shop

"It gives us an opportunity to be more competitive in a global market." -Pat Quinlan

By Dan Schneider

recise Engineering in Lowell could be among the first to take advantage of recent state legislation intended to help Michigan tool and die shops compete in a global market.

The Michigan Tool and Die Recovery Zone Acteliminates taxes on qualifying tool and die companies. The intent is to help the struggling industry recover from jobs being lost overseas.

"It gives us an opportunity to be more competitive in a global market," said Precise owner Pat Quinlan. "A lot of companies in other countries are partially funded by their governments."

Quinlan said tool and die makers in Korea and Indonesia have especially drawn business away from American companies. The Recovery Zone Act establishes a renaissance zone around the

individual tool and die companies. Tax abatements remove the real and personal property taxes and the state single business tax.

Vergennes Township, where Precise is located on Lincoln Lake Avenue, approved a resolution giving Precise tax abatements for 15 years. If a few other municipalities do the same, the tax savings will take effect.

"This will give us some breathing room for a time while we work to be more efficient and a better global competitor," Quinlan said.

According to Ray DeWinkle, vice president of The Right Place, Inc., tool and die manufacturing is an important industry for local economies. The Right Place, Inc. is an organization in Grand Rapids that works to further the economic development of the Grand Rapids area.

New legislation, cont'd., pg. 10



Rick Barnard, left, and Troy Kremers discuss the timing of a test die press at Precise Engineering in Vergennes Township. The company has approval from the township to receive tax abatements through new state legislation intended to make tool and die companies more globally competitive.

# City keeps Halloween activities on Sunday

By J. Lobdell Contributing Writer

very so many years, Halloween falls on a Sunday and the question becomes for many communities day.

For the city of Lowell, police chief Jim Valentine has answered it by stating in a memo to the Lowell City Council that the city will observe Halloween on its regularly scheduled time, Oct. 31, despite the date falling on Sunday.

"This is really to help prevent any confusion," Valentine said to the council at its regular Monday night meeting. "Switching the date would create some confusion. Some people would not know of the change and in the end, we could have two days of trick or treating instead of one."

Valentine said in 1999, when Halloween last fell on a Sunday, he did receive some pressure to change the celebration to a different day. After looking into the matter, however, Valentine decided it was best to leave well enough alone.

"I had some people who were concerned about what this particular holiday represents and that we are encouraging that it be celebrated on a Sunday," Valentine said, adding that those who are "very, very entrenched" in not partaking in Halloween activities wouldn't do so no matter what day it was celebrated on.

"Saturday would not be any more OK as much as Sunday would not be any more OK," he said. A couple of council members mentioned they had heard of local churches and other groups making plans for their youth to participate in various activities, not all of which will be Halloweenrelated.

There will be trick or treating from 5:30 to 8 p.m. within the city limits. Children are encouraged to take safety precautions by wearing easy to see through masks, and watch for car traffic.

Valentine said his department will have extra patrols on for that weekend to keep the event safe and vandalism down. Anyone who has concerns about the planned activities should contact the Lowell Police Department.

### Neighbors resist pole yard expansion

By Dan Schneider

Even in the early stages, Lowell Light and Power's plans to expand its storage area, the "pole yard," on North Washington Street are creating concern among neighbors there.

The utility is clear on the goals of the project. It will construct a storage area with self-contained spill collection for transformer boxes. It Power general manager Tom eration. One obstacle is that

wants to improve the layout of the site so service trucks can access it more efficiently and increase the storage space for poles, transformers and the like. New security measures may also be put in place.

But the utility hasn't drawn up any formal plans,

"It's still very preliminary," said Lowell Light and

Richards. "We haven't even started with an engineer yet about what to build and how to lay it out.

"The reality is we haven't put a pencil to the paper whatsoever."

Richards said the utility is waiting to do so until it has a clear idea of what restrictions and obstacles the project will have to take into considthe site lies in two municipalities.

The city of Lowell owns the land, and annexed some of the area at the end of N. Washington in the '90s, but a spur remains part of Vergennes Township. During informal discussions at its Sept. 20 meeting, the Vergennes

> Pole yard expansion, cont'd., pg. 8



### **OBITUARIES**

AYRES - Sylvester Jr. "S.J." Holzhueter and Marian Ayres, aged 85, a lifelong resi- McIver and his pet dog Piper. dent of Lowell, passed away Jr. was a veteran of WWII Saturday, October 2, 2004 at having served in the Marines Laurels of Kent. He was pre- as a Master Sergeant and was ceded in death by his wife a member of the Masonic Mary Ann in 1994 and a Lodge #90 F&AM. He was a brother Kenneth. Surviving retired rural postal carrier and are his children Steve (Susan) a very talented artist. After Ayres, Shawn (Tom) Hazel; retirement, he operated TJ's grandchildren Jolene Ayres, Pizza in Lake Odessa, where Stacey (Matt) Corwin, Nikki he made many friends and (fiance Kirk) Hazel, Toni Ha- was better known as TJ. The zel, Rebecca (Lynn) Mazurek, family appreciates the entire Amy (Dale) Mayo; several staff at Laurels of Kent not great-grandchildren; brother only for Jr., but for his family Alger; sister-in-law Elva as well. Services will be held Ayres; special niece Gail at Roth-Gerst Funeral Home (Rick) Roderick; several other on Wednesday at 11 a.m. with nieces, nephews and cousins; Rev. Roger La Warre offici-

good friends Donna ating. Interment in Oakwood

#### **COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN**

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Township of Grattan, held at the Grattan Township Hall, 12050 Old Belding Road within the Township, on the 13th day of September, 2004, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Members: Richard Herweyer, Lana Green, Maria Bajema, Paul Knoerl Dennis Heffron

ABSENT: Members: None

The following ordinance was offered by Member M. Bajema and seconded by Member R. Herwever.

**ORDINANCE NO. 04-05** 

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH SPECIAL MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES WATERCRAFT CONTROL **REGULATION NUMBER 41** MCCARTHY LAKE **KENT COUNTY MICHIGAN** 

THE TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN **ORDAINS:** 

Regulation No. 41 - Kent County

WC- 41-04-001: McCarthy Lake: SLOW NO WAKE SPEED

On the waters of McCarthy Lake, being that portion of the North half of Section 30, Town 8 N, Range 9W, township of Grattan, county of Kent, state of Michigan, it is unlawful for the operator of a vessel to exceed a slow - no wake speed.

The boundaries of the area described immediately above shall be marked with signs and with buoys. All buoys must be placed as provided in a permit issued by the Department of Natural Resources and be in conformance with the State Uniform Waterway Marking System.

Effective Date: This Ordinance shall become effective seven days after its publication or seven days after the publication of a summary of its provisions in a local newspaper of general circulation.

AYES: Members: 0 NAYS: Members: None ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED.

Lana F. Green, Township Clerk

County Humane Society.

ELLISON - Bruce L. Ellison, postmaster of the Saranac faaged 70, of Saranac, formerly cility. Pat was an avid card FULLER-W. Dale Fuller of of Charlotte, went home to be player including Bridge, Eu- Newport News, Va., passed KING-Grace King, aged 80. with his Lord and Savior after chre and Texas Hold'em. She away after a short illness on of Kentwood, died October 1. a brief illness on Thursday, also loved her golf game and Thursday, September 23, 2004. She was preceded in September 30, 2004. Bruce was celebrating life with friends 2004 at the age of 84. Born on death by her husband Robert; born August 13, 1934, in Lan- and family. Pat is survived by February 6, 1920, to the late sisters Lucille Erickson. sing, the son of the late Loren her dedicated daughter Angie Bernice and Harry Fuller of Winnifred Leone. She is sur-Ellison and the late Marie (Randy) Carlson, mother Dor- Grand Rapids, he was the el- vived by her children Michelle (Loomis) Ellison. He was othy Byrne, sisters Fran (Dale) dest of four children. He was and John Rader of Alto, Robin owner/operator of a party store Tolger, Betsy (John) Rinard, educated at Michigan Tech- and John VandenToom of for many years and enjoyed Barb Schneider; brother Mel nological Institute, Iowa State Grand Rapids; sister Dorothy helping people and working Byrne; surrogate daughter Jill University and Oklahoma Sahlin of MN; grandchildren with his hands. He is survived Bruinekool. Pat will be sadly State University, where he re- Adam Rader and his girlfriend by his loving wife of 49 years, missed by her special com- ceived his PhD. He was the Kaye Littel, Leslie Rader and Ilene M. (Sharp) Ellison; two panion Cynda Sue and many founder of Infor-Med Sys- fiance Mike Nelson; Jenna sons Bruce (Mickie) Ellison other close friends, nieces, tems of Menlo Park, Calif. King and Drew Vanden Toorn; Jr. of Belding, Brian (Michelle) nephews, co-workers and just He was preceded in death by nieces and nephews. Grace Ellison of Lowell; daughter about everyone in Lowell and his wife of 48 years, the served her country in WWII Bonna Berge of Maryland; six Saranac who knew and loved former Constance K. Profio. as "Rosie the Riveter," buildgrandchildren. He was pre- Pat. Her laughter will be He is survived by daughters ing B-29 bombers at the ceded in death by younger missed by those in her life. Pat Suzanne Fuller-Johnson of Lockheed Martin Plant in brother Robert Ellison and son- was preceded in death by her Newport News, Va., Deborah Bellevue, Nebraska. She was in-law Steve Berge. Graveside father Alfred, brother-in-law P. Buker and her husband a woman of great faith in her service will be at Maple Hill Philip H. Schneider III, and Robert of Richmond, Va. and blessed Lord and Savior. The Cemetery at 1 p.m. Oct. 9 with close companion Tony Tamis F. Toohey and her hus- memorial service was held Pastor Mark Lipscomb offici- Stormzand. In lieu of flowers, band Michael of Tuesday at Our Savior ating. The family has requested please make a donation to a Charlottesville, Va.; brother- Lutheran Church, pastors Rev. that in lieu of flowers, memo- charity of your choice or the in-law Winston C. Profio and David Fleming and Rev. Eurial contributions be made to Humane Society. the Ebenezer Center of the West Berlin Wesleyan Church, FORD - Charles J. Ford, aged pher W. Buker, Leslie W. tributions may be made to Our 5110 W. Portland Rd., Lake 60, born in Lowell, died Sep- Buker, Rachel F. Toohey, An- Savior Lutheran Church and Odessa 48849 in memory of tember 30, 2004. Beloved hus- drew J. Toohey; sisters Bar- School or the West Michigan

FONGER - Patricia Marie (Judd), Sara Burstein (Gre-Fonger, aged 54, passed away gory), Scott Charles Ford; on October 5, 2004 at Metro grandfather of Nicholas Hospital. Pat will be remem- Rocco, Charles Lucca bered as a loving mother, de- Pietrosante; brother of Ruth

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**Bowne Township Board** 

Sandra L. Kowalczyk

Clerk

Contact the Township office -

(616) 868-6846 for further details.

November 10th.

band of Paula for 35 years; bara J. Dickman of Grand Lutheran High School. dear father of Julie Pietrosante voted friend, and lover of life. Ann Nelson. Funeral Mass was

COUNTY OF KENT NOTICE TO CREDITORS

> Estate of RALPH BOLT. deceased

NOTICE TO CREDI-The decedent, RALPH 429 Turner N.W. BOLT, who lived at 2500 Fuller, N.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49505, died 07/

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to

resentative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

September 29, 2004

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JODI GRIDER, FIFTH-THIRD BANK, ESTATE SETTLEMENT 111 LYON ST., N.W. MD#RMNR4C Grand Rapids, MI 49503 (616) 653-5427

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Cemetery. For those who wish, Pat worked for the U.S. Post held Monday at Shrine Chapel Rapids, Phyllis Carr and her memorials may be made to Office for almost 30 years be- of Our Lady of Orchard Lake, husband Hazen of Cabool. Hospice of Michigan or Kent ginning her career walking Orchard Lake, MI. Memorial Mo. and Mary Yates of Lowabout Lowell, delivering the tributes to Charles J. Ford ell. Dr. Fuller will be laid to mail. She later became the Memorial Scholarship Fund. rest in Carmel; Calif., with his

his wife Anita of McDonogh, gene Krieger officiating. In Ga; grandchildren Christo- lieu of flowers, memorial con-

### LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT

Decedent's Estate FILE NO. 04-178,302-DE

Date of birth: 12/23/1914

TO ALL CREDITORS:

28/2004.

JODI GRIDER, FIFTH-

THIRD BANK, ESTATE SETTLEMENT, named personal representative, or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 180 Ottawa Ave. N.W., Ste. 2500, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 and the named/ proposed personal rep-

call Deb or Mike at 897-5977; fee of \$25. Begins Sat., Oct. 9 at 11 a.m.; tasting 3-7 p.m.

Tour historic homes in Lowell, Oct. 9, 10-5 p.m. Call 897-7688 for tickets and information. \$10 in advance; \$12 day of.

2ND ANNUAL FLAT RIVER ANTIQUE FAIR

Call Liz at the chamber of commerce (897-9161) if you are interested in vendor space on the Riverwalk Plaza, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9.

HARVEST SALES/OPEN HOUSE

Lowell merchants will be open from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Oct. 9 for early Christmas shopping.

### Council accepts engineering bid of less than \$45,000 for Grindle project By J. Lobdell

Contributing Writer

At its Monday night

meeting, the Lowell City

the lowest of three bidders,

was awarded the work at

\$44,724. The other two bid-

ing, Inc. at \$67,000 and

Wilcox Professional Ser-

engineering costs for the

project at around \$55,800.

Councilman Al Mathews said

he was very impressed with

tion with the area.

The city had estimated

ders were OMM Engineer- in the area.

PICTURE RETAKES Council accepted a bid under An additional day for high school picture retakes is sched-\$45,000 for engineering work uled for Thursday, Oct. 7 from 9-11 a.m. of reconstruction on Grindle Drive. Williams and Works,

WALK TO SCHOOL DAY

This kick-off event for Safe Routes to School program will take place at Cherry Creek Elementary on Friday, Oct. 8 from 8:20 - 8:50 a.m. Everyone is invited to walk and see where improvements should be made in our "walkable" community.

VIEW FALLASBURG FALL FESTIVAL

Lowell Cable TV Channel 20 will show the fall festival on vices, LLC at \$74,395. the following dates: Thursday, Oct. 7 at 6 p.m.; Friday, Oct. 8 at 6 p.m.; Saturday, Oct. 9 at noon; Sunday, Oct. 10 at 1 p.m.

VARSITY FOOTBALL GAME

Due to the Homecoming parade on Friday, Oct. 8 at 6 p.m., the Lowell/Greenville game will start at 7:30 p.m. at Lowell stadium. Gates will open at 6 p.m.

**CUB SCOUTS PACK 3188** 

Information and treats from Lowell Cubscout Pack #3188 will be available at the fairgrounds (next to the scarecrow building area) Saturday, Oct. 9 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

HOMECOMING PARADE

Lineup for the Lowell Homecoming parade will be at First United Methodist Church, Friday, Oct. 8 at 5:30 p.m. Parade starts at 6 p.m., ends at fairgrounds. Call Curt Kaeb at 987-2953 if you are interested in participating.

WEST MICHIGAN BLUEGRASS JAM

Lena Lou's, 392 Pettis Ave., Ada is where the West Michigan Bluegrass Music Assoc. open jam will take place Saturday, Oct. 9, 2 p.m. til closing.

HARVEST ARTS & CRAFT SHOW

Looking for vendors in the Foreman bldg, at the fairgrounds, Oct. 9, 9-4 p.m. Call 897-6050.

SCARECROW BUILDING HOEDOWN

Build a scarecrow for Main St. at the fairgrounds, Oct. 9, 10-2 p.m. Call the chamber 897-9161 if interested. Everything is supplied.

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engineering firm has been in- Street to the top of the hill Pasquale explained. volved with several city going into Vergennes Townprojects including the recon- ship. struction/construction of the City Hall and police station. exceed \$400,000, according said. The condition of Grindle Because of the familiarity with to a March resolution in which has been a concern and was the city, Williams and Works the council issued its intent to brought to light again after the is aware of the water on Grindle sell Michigan Transportation construction process was

the completed project have Court. The project's scope would been around

tion of Grindle from Jackson the city to get final numbers tear on the road made to Grindle Court and milling on what it would need to sell Mathews question in March and resurfacing with new val- in bonds, the engineering work whether the city could bond ley gutters from Grindle Court has to be completed. Once the for road repairs once the mato Fun Street. City manager cost is determined, the coun-jority of the development was David Pasquale said the city cil could approve the city to finished. Mathews said he was the breakdown provided by hopes to coordinate with the move ahead and sell the bonds. looking more toward the sum-Williams and Works, and Kent County Road Commis- The city would recover the mer of 2005. with Dave Austin's associa- sion for the paving of the ex- cost of the engineering

The Grand Rapids-based isting gravel surface from Fun through the bond sale,

"I don't believe anyone would deny that Grindle needs The total project is not to to be reconstructed," Pasquale and is able to address the situ- Fund Bonds to help with the started for the Highland Hill ation, said Mathews, who lives project. Estimated costs for development, off of Grindle

Concerns with heavy include a complete reconstruc- \$372,000. Pasquale said for equipment and the wear and

### Wildlife conservancy asks for bow hunters' help

(mountain lions) this fall. For year-round cougar use. the last six years, the nonwhich were once thought to have vanished from the state

by the early 1900s. Field work by the Wildlife Conservancy has detected cougars in widely-separated areas of both the Upper and Lower Peninsulas. "Every year, thousands of Michigan deer hunters enter areas where there are cougars and some see the cats or their signs," said R. Charles McLravy president of the Conser-

Their reports have helped identify cougar home ranges in years past.

> The Conservancy is making a special appeal to hunters in Alcona, Iosco, Delta, Benzie, Leelanau and Roscommon counties where the organization conducted its most intensive studies. The Sleeping Bear Dunes Na-

The Michigan Wildlife tional Lakeshore is of particutor In Cougar Habitat," with ness of their presence and bi-Conservancy is urging larinterest because it is a high-some important do's and ology, aid future research, and Michigan's bow deer hunters use recreation area where the don'ts if one encounters a couto report sightings of cougars Conservancy has documented gar.

The National Park Ser- tected by state law, and the 641-7677 or by email at wildprofit organization, based vice, which administers the Conservancy has established life @miwildlife.org. near Lansing, has conducted Lakeshore, last year posted the Michigan Cougar Protecresearch on the predators, signs titled "You Are A Visition Fund to increase aware-

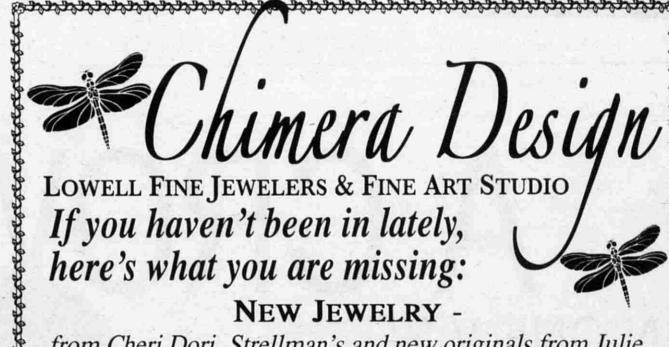
ers and other citizens can con-The cougar is fully-pro- tact the Conservancy at 517-

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## City ratifies contract for attorney services

By J. Lobdell Contributing Writer

cil, in a unanimous vote, made days prior written notice to city's attorney. The council approved a two-year contract Dickinson Wright with an op- for regularly assigned work. "The one thing I like process and will now be on a tionship with the city. I thor- ment plant. tion to renew for another two years at its Monday night meeting.

Staff & students walk to fight cancer City manager David Pasquale said the contract follows the scope of the request for proposals put out earlier this year by the city. With that scope, the city can contract up to two years with a ings Mall on Sept. 25. Walklaw firm for legal services ing in the 5K event helps and has the option to extend raise funds to fight breast canfor another two years. After cer and honor survivors as the total four-year period, the well as those who have lost city is required to go through their battle with the disease. the extensive request proposal process before signing meaningful for Lowell paranother contract for legal ser- ticipants this year to honor

Also in this proposal, the away during the summer afcity has the right to terminate ter battling various forms of the contract if the legal attor- cancer for over 20 years. Ta-

COFFEE SHOP

The Lowell City Coun- Dickinson Wright have 30 ment issues.

Kathy Talus, who passed

lus was a health teacher and

it official that Dickinson end the contract. Under the gether the contract, Pasquale one of the people who helped contract, the city will pay said, adding that the city initiate the review process of Wendt wrote, "Please express turn its attention to other con-\$135 per hour through Sept. would not be charged for any the city's contracted my gratitude and appreciatracted services such as waste 30, 2005 with a \$5 increase to of the work involved in as- services. Pfaller said he was tion to the city council to con- disposal and the management for legal services from \$140 for the following year sisting with this matter.

The city shall pay \$80 the about this agreement is that it

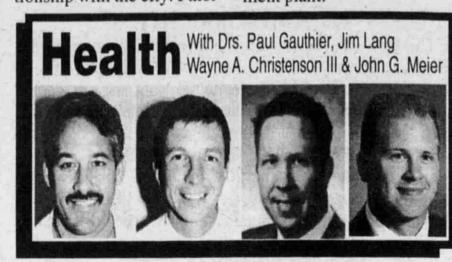
regular cycle to review its

Wendt did help put to- councilman James Pfaller, ards of the taxpayers' money. ing that relationship."

In a memo to the city,

ney, Richard Wendt, leaves first year and \$85 the second forces us every two years to services which, in turn, shows oughly enjoy working with the firm. Both the city and year for ordinance enforce- look at the services and see that the council and the city you, the city council, city staff what we are getting," said are trying to be the best stew- and look forward to continu-

The council now plans to glad the city went through the tinue my longstanding rela- of the city's wastewater treat-



THE FLU SHOT: WHO NEEDS IT?

Staff and students from girls varsity track coach for Komen event, including Lowell High School walked many years at Lowell High Austyn Foster, Hayley in the Susan Komen Race for School. the Cure at Rivertown Cross-The walk was especially

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Briggs, Brittany Bueche, Staff members participat- Nicole Shepard, Kelly ing in the walk included Malling, Kelsey Crowley, Robin Briggs, Dee Crowley, Brook VanEck, Devon-Kim Nyson, Laurie Kuna, Collins, Amanda Geelhoed, Marsha LaHaye and Marga- Amy Oberlin, Audrey ret Tuori. Members from the Grummet, Brittany Lyman, girls basketball and track Megan Stubbs, Meghan teams also took part in the Beachum and Kendra Gallert.

### Free trees from **Arbor Day Foundation**

Ten free trees, autumn person who joins The Na-

classics, will be given to each tional Arbor Day Foundation during October.

The 10 trees are two sugar maples, scarlet oak, sweetgum, red oak, silver maple, white dogwood, Washington hawthorn and two red maples.

Trees will be shipped postpaid between Nov. 1 and Dec. 10 with enclosed planting instructions. The six - 12 inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Send a \$10 membership contribution to Autumn Classic Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410 by Oct. 31 to receive your trees.

Last year about 36,000 people died due to complications of the flu. About 143 children died of influenza infection and most were younger than two years of age and previously

The flu is a viral infection that infects the airway (nose, throat, bronchial tubes and lungs). It is very contagious, spread by respiratory droplets during coughing, sneezing or talking. The flu season peaks in Michigan from December through

The symptoms of the flu include fever, chills, muscle aches, cough, and congestion. Complications of the flu will lead to hospitalization of more than 100,000 people every

The flu shot is a safe and effective vaccine that will prevent influenza infection in most people that receive it. The influenza vaccine is made from proteins of the killed virus. You cannot get the flu by getting the flu shot. New flu shots are made every year to cover new strains that cause the infection.

Minimal side effects after receiving the flu vaccine include minor redness or pain at the injection site and a slight fever or muscle aches. Because the vaccine is made with eggs, people allergic to eggs should not receive the vaccine.

The flu shot should usually be given just before the flu season starts in October and November The Center for Disease Control recommends the flu shot for all people at high risk a

· People with chronic diseases of the heat lungs, or

All people older than 50.

· All children between six and 23 months of age.

• People who have contact with those at high risk - such as household members and health care workers. · Any women who will be pregnant during the flu season.

These recommendations have not changed much over the past several years but this year the CDC is urging all children between six months - two years old to be immunized.

If you have any questions regarding this important preventative measure, be seen and discuss this with your physi-

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### IN THE SERVICE

Sterzick has been named sol- plishments dier of the quarter.

the individual's exemplary duty performance, job knowledge, leadership qualities, significant self-improvement,

Army Spec. Heather L. ments and notable accom-

Sterzick, an air traffic Selection was based on controller, is assigned to Fort Huachuca, Sierra Vista, Ariz.

She is the daughter of John and Helen Sterzick of Lowell and a 2001 graduate of Lowand other specific achieve- ell High School.

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students to be able to speak in an articulate manner and share their ideas logically and sequentially.

Some of our students are finding challenges in reading and in math.Currently, almost 200 students are using the new software that was purchased this year to improve their skills in reading and math. We are actually able to provide very specific, individualized instruction through the computer in a non-threatening, supportive environment. Students experience success as they move through the various activities.

We are off to a great start! Parents, we thank you for all your support and encourage you to attend conferences this fall and to stay in close touch with your child's teachers. Take time to practice some of the skills mentioned above at home. For example, read a newspaper article together and talk about what it means. Spend time talking with your children; gently challenge them to express opinions and to state what they believe and why. We will keep you informed as we continue to analyze our work and ways in which we can grow.

Your comments about this matter or any issue would be greatly appreciated. Send to Superintendent Shari Miller, Lowell Area Schools, 300 High St., Lowell, MI 49331 or smiller @lowellschools.com (check out our Web page at www.lowellschools.com or make comments to the Board of Education at boardofed@lowellschools.com.

### TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor,

around us.

SHARI MILLER

Lowell Schools Superintendent

Exciting activities are taking place in Lowell Area Schools

in classrooms throughout the district. Our emphasis on lit-

eracy is helping all of us focus upon the needs of our students.

Teachers are participating in professional development, and

parents are asking questions about reading programs. Our

data from our tests has been analyzed, and we are responding

of their work. Yet, we know we can improve in some areas.

We are working on helping students improve their under-

standing of informational text. We used to call this non-

fiction or technical reading. Our students encounter informa-

tional text in science and social studies or in reading the daily

newspaper. This kind of reading requires skills that are

different than reading a short story or novel. Students need to

be able to identify the main idea, the supporting information,

and the key facts. They also need to see how ideas relate to

each other and how this information connects to the world

tance. Many of our students write well, but we can do more

to improve this skill. We will be providing students with more

opportunities to write and to think critically. We also want our

Communication skills continue to be of utmost impor-

Our students do very well academically, and we are proud

to areas that have been identified as challenge areas.

I read with interest about John Kerry at a recent rally waving a Browning Auto-5 shotgun in the air in an effort to portray himself as a friend to Sportsmen. I find it ironic that Kerry co-sponsored S.1431, The Assault Weapons Ban and Law Enforcement Protection Act of 2003, which would have banned the shotgun Kerry was waving around at his rally.

Clever politicians such as Kerry put the label of "Assault Weapon" on many guns to hoodwink the public into thinking their "Assault Weapons Ban" only bans fully automatic weapons. Shotguns such as the Remington 1100, which is one of the most popular shotguns among hunters, would have been outlawed had Kerry's bill passed. Still, he waves a semiautomatic shotgun around in the air in an attempt to deceive sportsmen into voting for him.

Kerry's same bill would also ban rifles with detachable magazines making rifles many of us own illegal. In addition, the bill bans "other guns newly determined to be assault weapons." With that open-ended statement, I'm afraid to think which one of my hunting guns he would label as an "Assault future Ledgers. Weapon" next.

Kerry also supported Ted Kennedy's so-called "armor piercing" bullet ban, amendment S. 1805, which would outlaw

Financial Focus

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tor, how should you respond to inflation?

THESE INVESTMENT MOVES

CAN HELP FIGHT INFLATION

concerns about the possible effects of deflation. But that was

then-and this is now. Today, we're seeing signs that inflation

may be picking up. As a consumer, you can adapt your

purchasing habits to cope with higher prices-but as an inves-

For starters, don't get too alarmed-we aren't anywhere near the inflationary levels we saw in the late 1970s and early

Not too long ago, inflation was low enough to spur

most common center fire rifle ammunition including the .30-30. The .30-30 is one of the most popular rifle rounds for hunting deer. My wife owns a .30-30 and Kerry wants to outlaw her ammunition.

Given his dismal voting record for sportsmen, it's going to take Kerry more than just waving one of his "Assault Weapons" around in the air to convince me that he's one of us. That's about as believable as a Dan Rather news report. I'm not buying Kerry's rhetoric: I'm voting Bush for '04.

Pete Odland, Chairman, Kent County Sportsmen For Bush

Dear Editor:

We applaud Angela Miller's "Letter to the Editor" and public stance for peer acceptance. (Lowell Ledger Sept. 29, 2004). Often, talent is recognized in sports and for good grades. Creativity in the arts is frequently forgotten.

After reading her poem "My World," it is apparent that Angela is a thoughtful, creative and confident individual. Her talent should not go unrecognized. It is these skills that lead to success in any career as well as a fulfilling life.

We hope to see many more readers display their art in

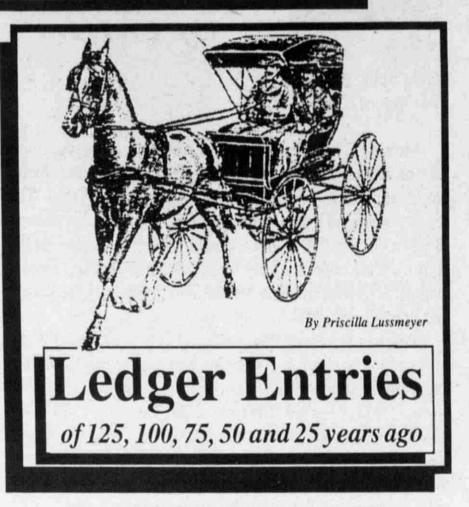
April and Hi (Howard) Leikert

1980s. Nonetheless, even a gradual increase in inflation may be enough for you to consider making some investment moves. Your fixed-income investments, such as bonds and certificates of deposit, are particularly vulnerable to higher inflation. Consequently, you may need to consider investments that offer rising income.

Where can you find such investments? Start by looking at stocks that may pay dividends-particularly those high-quality stocks that increase their dividend payouts year after year. Of course, companies that have historically paid-and increasedtheir dividends may not always do so, but those businesses with good track records of paying dividends are typically wellrun firms, capable of adjusting to different market environments and determined to reward their investors.

Furthermore, from a tax standpoint, it's a good time to invest in dividend-paying stocks. If you're in a tax bracket of 25 percent or higher, you'll pay only 15 percent for most types of domestic stock dividends you receive. Before tax laws were revised last year, these dividends would have been taxed at your individual tax rate. (The new rate is scheduled to expire

Financial Focus, continued, pg. 8



#### 125 YEARS THE WEEKLY JOURNAL **OCTOBER 8, 1879**

Fix your stovepipes and chimneys and save money. Admission tickets to the Ionia Fair are 25 cents each. Many in Lowell are burning coal because it is cheaper. Charley Watters' horse Transit has won over \$500 at

Deer season is September 15 to December 15 in the lower

#### 100 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER **OCTOBER 6, 1904**

Citizens Telephone Co. raises its rates, and a delegation of citizens, after an unsuccessful meeting with the company, arranges a meeting with the Bell Co.

The Epworth League announces its season program of speeches and entertainments, including the Haskell Indian Band, musicians who are Indians.

Farmers near Battle Creek form an Anti-Automobile Club and are asking their state representative for a bill to protect farmers from reckless drivers.

Republicans announce that they will hold 800 meetings in Michigan this last month of the campaign. Theodore Roosevelt is expected to win.

Henry Scott of Fallasburg has three stalks of corn, each with four good ears on it.

#### 75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER AND THE ALTO SOLO OCTOBER 10, 1929

John Layer is held up at gunpoint by two men wearing bandanna masks at his oil station.

The boy scouts have their annual trip to the Michigan State-University of Michigan football game in Ann Arbor.

Rerouting crooked M-66 continues to be a battle between competing towns.

#### 50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER **OCTOBER 7, 1954**

Lowell schools broadcast radio programs twice a week

The marching band will be at U of M's Band Day Saturday for the fifth year in a row.

The worst storm since 1905 hits the area, with high winds, lightning and over four inches of rain. Damage is heavy everywhere.

The Ground Observer Corps awards certificates to members recruiting volunteers.

Farm Bureau is looking for farmers who will host a young foreign farmer for a year.

#### 25 YEARS THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER OCTOBER 10, 1979

Community leader Bill Jones dies suddenly. Village president, later mayor, active in Lions and Rotary, he promoted the King Memorial Pool.

The new substation back of Lowell Light and Power will double electrical capacity.

Leaf-burning dates are Oct. 29 - Nov. 16; no burns on Halloween or in the street.

With fuel-oil prices topping a dollar a gallon, Riverside Fireplace Shop is selling hundreds of add-on wood stoves. The First Annual Buck Tourney offers 10 grand to the

hunter who brings in the biggest Michigan buck.



David Sims, pastor First Baptist Church

Moving - I've been giving it a lot of thought in recent days. Last month our calendar moved ahead into "Fall." This month our clocks will move back into Eastern Standard Time. This season, we spend Friday nights in a frenzy of shouts and cheers to move our football team across the goal line. And all of this activity is the context of my family moving over from Grand Rapids to Lowell to begin service and ministry in the church and community. Moving, indeed!

True it is, however, that, while my wife and I are in the grip of transition, you are also in a moving maze yourself! In fact, everyone is moving - each person is on the way to forever. Granted, it may not seem that way in the menial course of each day. I can remember the wonder that dawned upon me in those elementary school days when science class made me think differently. That day when the teacher asked us how fast we were moving, we all thought the answer was easy - we weren't moving since we were sitting in our seats! But then he proceeded to demonstrate the rotation of our little planet and declare to us that all of us were speeding around at close to 1000 miles an hour! Simply astounding! Then, to boggle our novice

### Congregational Church hosts speaker

charge to attend the event.

Sister Sue Tracy will be cer survivor and the chaplain speaking on the importance at Spectrum Health of laughter and its impact on Butterworth Campus in Grand health and well-being. The talk Rapids. She has toured nais called "Humor 'n' Hee-Hee- tionally with her message of Healing: It's Laffter You're the importance of humor and After" and will take place Sat- has published two pieces in urday at 9 a.m. at First Con- "Chicken Soup for the gregational Church on Hudson Survivor's Soul." There is no

Tracy is a four-time can-

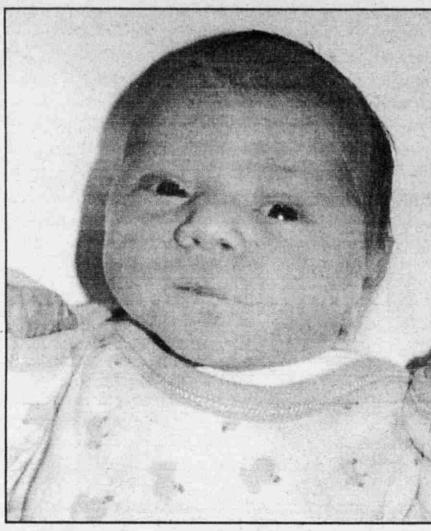
brains even more, he said that the earth was also moving around the Sun at about 67,000 miles per hour! So nothing is actually still after all.

The Bible – the Scriptures – the God-authenticated revelation of truth, makes similar bold claims. It asserts that all humanity is moving, in inexorable, irreversible transition to forever. While we may feel that we'd like the world to stop spinning, the calendar to stop changing, and the body to stop 14) aging, they just aren't going to take a time out. And while we might like to believe that we are not advancing every moment to eternity, each day moves us closer. Hebrews 9:27 declares, "It is appointed to mankind once to die, and after that the judgment." For believers in Christ, Romans 13:11 says the changed our lives and taken the fear out of life's final move. daily move forward has hope: "Our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed."

The Apostle Peter characterizes true Christians as "sojourners and pilgrims in the world." (1 Peter 2:11) - we are on the move. Jesus himself compared life to a road - we're all on the move: "Enter through the narrow gate," he said, "for wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it." (Matthew 7:13-

As I write these thoughts, my wife and I yet don't know where our new home will be here in our new community. But, by God's kind grace, we do know where we are moving ultimately, and we are thankful for His new direction that has Every day's maze is now a promise instead of a problem. May Christ be your Mover, too! Happy moving!

### AREA BIRTHS



**Isabel Rose Barnes** 

Mike and Kim Barnes, of Lowell, are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Isabel Rose. She was born October 2, 2004, weighing 7 lbs. 6 oz. and measuring 20 inches.

Proud grandparents are Linda Barnes and the late Chuck Barnes, and Walt and Kathy VanderWulp; great-grandparents Walter VanderWulp and Donna Callihan; and many aunts uncles and cousins.



Shelby Mae Wilcox

John and Angie Wilcox of Lowell are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Shelby Mae. She was born at Spectrum Health Campus on August 27, 2004 at 8:45 p.m. She weighed 9 lbs. 2 oz. and measured 20 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Dick and Sue Mouser of Lake Odessa and John and Nancy Wilcox of Portland.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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OCT 9: Jerrid Uzarski,

Cameron Kiczenski, Ralph

Safe, for a child, is his father's hand, holding him tight.

Emily J. Zengri.



**LUNCH MENU** Elementary Menu

Week of Oct. 11, 2004

MON: Ravioli breadstick or chicken

FRI: No school.

# BUSINESS MATTERS



Greenridge Realty announced that Mara Bukala received Realtor of the Month in September.

This award recognizes Bukala for her outstanding success and achievements.

### **AREA BIRTHS**

Brendan and Kyla Sand- and Jane Sanders of Lowell. baby sister, Jadan Myla, born Brighton, Jerry and Patti sured 20 inches long.

Proud parents are Mark

Happy grandparents are nounce the arrival of their new Mary and Randy Lauren of

on August 24, 2004. She Calvert of Livonia, and Jerry weighed 8 lbs. 12 oz. and mea- and June Sanders of Tiffin,

Dr. David Durkee (right) received a citation for his service on the board from Dr. Peter M. Agnone of Grand Blanc during the 108th annual convention in Troy.

### Eye doctor awarded for years of service



Dr. David G. Durkee of Lowell received a citation for nine years of distinguished service on the board of directors of the Michigan Optometric Association. It was presented to him during the 108th annual convention in Troy.

Dr. Durkee is a 1981 graduate of the Michigan College of Optometry, Ferris State University. He served as organization president during the 2002-'03 association year and retired from the board after serving a one-year term as immediate past president in 2003-'04.

Dr. Durkee practices optometry in association with Dr. Heidi Gordon in Lowell.

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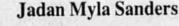
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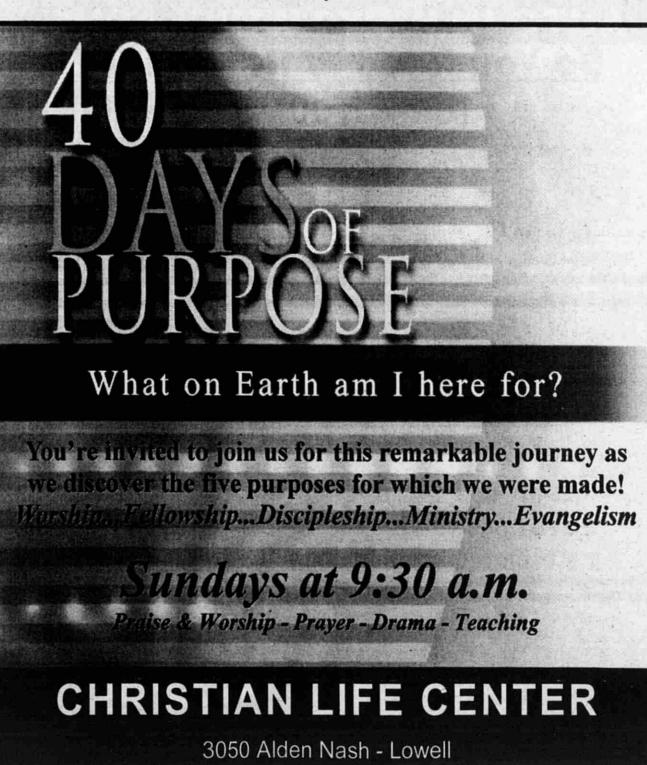
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### Pole yard expansion, continued...From Page 1

Township board was not in nexation in the area.

project might entail. A peti- ing back and forth." tion signed by 27 people, mostly living in the Ver- may cause the road to deteriogennes spur, opposes any rate more rapidly, and with no expansion of the pole yard. sidewalks, residents are wor-Primary among their concerns ried about safety issues. is that it would compromise the natural beauty of the area. There are mature trees, inter- since the utility needs to make esting topography and over- upgrades-the spill-proof looks of the Flat River near transformer storage is in rethe pole yard site.

would require cutting down ture needs. tall pine trees on the site. He feared increased security to be turning this into some measures would include un- kind of major facility, it just sightly fences and lights.

Increased truck traffic

Richards said major expansion is not planned. But sponse to new federal require-Resident Brian Drake ments-it should make the fawas concerned the project cility capable of handling fu-

"It's not like we're going needs to be enlarged some and

"We've never had a improved so that it works bet- will meet our needs." favor of the city's further an- streetlight and we kind of like ter for what we need to store," itthat way," Drake said. "Also, Richards said. "In the end potential is, according to utility unless we become a Residents near the site are lately I've noticed a lot of we're going to have a better, Richards, limited. worried about what the traffic, their truck traffic go- more organized facility that

"I don't predict a lot of

very large community." Richards said the utility made.

growth," he said. "We are not will seek to minimize the im-The utility's expansion likely to become a very large pact on the neighborhood. Residents want to have input on plans before changes are

### Financial Focus, continued...From Page 5

at the end of 2008, after which dividends will again be taxed at your personal tax rate.)

Other Inflation Fighters ...

To combat inflation, you don't have to rely solely on stocks that can increase their dividends. Here are a couple of other investment possibilities:

• TIPS - When you invest in Treasury Inflation Protected Securities (TIPS), your return will be linked to inflationspecifically, the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U). So, if inflation rises three percent, the value of a \$1,000 TIPS bond also rises by three percent, to \$1,030. And this type of "indexing" will continue until your TIPS bond matures. Every six months, the principal value of your TIPS bond will be adjusted for inflation-and your interest payments are based on that rising principal. However, you will have to pay federal income taxes on this interest as well as the inflation adjustment-even though you don't really

receive this adjustment until your bond matures. To avoid being taxed annually on this "phantom" income, you may want to put your TIPS in a tax-deferred instrument such as an

• REITs-As inflation increases, the value of real estate usually rises as well; as a result, real estate is considered a good "hedge" against inflation. You might want to consider investing in a real estate investment trust (REIT), which buys, operates and sells residential and commercial real estate.

Look Beyond Inflation

By investing in dividend- paying stocks, TIPS and REITs, you can help your portfolio stay ahead of inflation. But remember that inflation is just one factor to evaluate when you're reviewing your holdings. Don't forget about growth, diversification and tax management-they're all important elements of successful investing.

### Cherry Creek Elementary teaches children to put their feet first

Less than 10 percent of for at least one day this month. for the Governor's Council our students who walk or bike "scary" dogs, and safe neigh-Michigan's children walk to Friday, Oct. 8, is International on Physical Fitness, Health to school arrive at school re-borhoods, so the community school. A generation ago, it Walk to School Day and they and Sports. "It addresses the freshed and eager to learn." was the majority. Now, ap- are joining more than 100 need for daily physical activproximately 25 percent of schools statewide in promotity and provides an opportuthe initiative is a "Walkable ing. morning traffic is parents ing that students arrive on nity to teach valuable pedes- Community Survey" that pardriving their children to foot. school. Many school days begin and end with a traffic dresses many quality of life portance of community."

issues for students," said

Cherry Creek Elementary Marilyn Lieber, vice presi- principal Maureen Dorough sidewalks, busy streets, munity for all. Traffic is rehopes to change that scene dent of Community Programs said, "We are finding that

One of the strengths of trian safety skills, lessons on ents fill out while walking improve conditions for safe "Walking to school ad- the environment and the im- their child to school. The survey focuses on the safety of muting and to promote the Cherry Creek Elementary the walk, with questions about benefits of a walkable com-

can work to improve those elements to promote walk-

The long-term goal is to pedestrian and bicycle com-

mitment to making prescrip-

tion drugs more affordable for

all Americans," and con-

duced; speed is decreased in many neighborhoods; students participate in routine, daily physical activity, which potentially improves students' alertness and behavior; students learn traffic safety skills; and there are "more eyes on the streets," which helps reduce crime and increases neighborliness.

#### AARP members rally to demand lower drug prices Michigan's three bridges (Port Huron) and International known as the Pharmaceutical legal importation as one part

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into Canada were the sites for Bridge (Sault Ste. Marie) simultaneous rallies on Sept. heard civic, political and 27 by hundreds of AARP AARP leaders support their members tired of the high cost demand that a U.S. Senate bill of prescription drugs.

lies at the Ambassador Bridge Senate for a vote now. (Detroit), Blue Water Bridge

to legalize safe importation Those attending the ral- be brought to the floor of the

That bipartisan bill, also tion drugs and cited safe and

Market Access Act, is popularly called the Dorgan-Snowe bill after its sponsors, and is Michigan executive council co-sponsored by senators Carl member in Sault Ste. Marie, cited AARPs "steadfast com-Levin and Debbie Stabenow.

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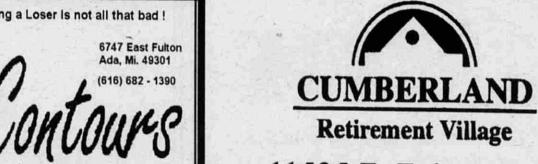
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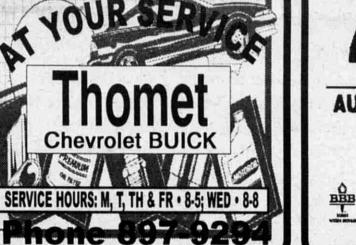
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## It's Harvest Celebration time in Lowell



Crafts Show in the Foreman Building at the Kent County 10 a.m. is the second annual ing entries in the cook-off it's the Palmetto State and my The Harvest Youth Fairgrounds at 9 a.m. Lowell Area Historical through Friday. The entry fee husband is kind of a boater, a The show is open until 4 p.m. Museum's historic home tour is \$25. All proceeds from this sailor, and he likes pirates."

Scare- be scarecrow building at the museum. fairgrounds. The "Scarecrow

Simultaneously there will and free admission day at the year's event go to the Lowell co-owner Kathy Smith said.

While people are build-Hoedown" is the event that ing scarecrows at the fair- Fair will take place from 10 primarily we cook barbecue. started the festival. This is the grounds, and touring historic a.m. to 5 p.m. on Riverwalk Because we're pretty portable fifth year of the construction homes around town, it's go- Plaza. New to the fair this at this time, what we decided of scarecrows to decorate ing to start smelling like chili year is food. The Flat River to do is to get into some local Main Street. Scarecrow build- on N. Broadway. Cooking Grill will be selling wood- events to get people in the ing goes from 10 a.m. until 2 begins at 11 a.m. for the third fired pizzas and a new local company, Palmetto Pirate Ca-Lowell p.m. Materials are provided annual Larkin's Chili Madtering, will be selling barbethis Saturday. by the Lowell Area Chamber ness Chili Cook-off. Judging That means there will be a lot of Commerce; all that's will be at 3 p.m. The cost is 50 cue pork and rib chunks. needed are the people to put cents to taste each entry from

Another event starting at 4 to 7 p.m. Larkin's is accept- tion of South Carolina because "We'll cook probably just Area Fire Department. The Flat River Antique about anything we can but

> community aware of us." Saturday also includes sales and open houses at various downtown businesses all The name is "a combinaday.

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

die jobs are high-skilled and business tax. Locally, Lowell coalition, for instance. Coaliful 15 years the legislation sponse to a University of recent overseas competition high paying enough that work- Area Schools, Kent Intermetions allow different manuallows. The abatements will Michigan study that predicted has cut its numbers to 44. Precantly to the local economies. Kent District Library will all tively, dividing large jobs and municipalities with United face of global competition. tax abatements for the full 15 The high wages paid at die be reimbursed by the state for enabling each member to do Tooling shops give their apshops support other jobs in any tax revenue they lose as a the jobs they're best equipped proval.

"That's why these jobs are so important," DeWinkle tax freedom available to only dium-sized difficult progresadvantage of every tool they cise Engineering had to be group of 17 tool and die shops have available."

Precise Engineering paid tion to benefit from the legis- where these companies are \$901.26 in real and personal lation. property taxes in 2003.

of money for us," said township clerk Mari Stone. "We're to take advantage of this," he have already been approved," logue between the city and more concerned about im- said. proving the economic viability of the community."

result of the abatements.

The legislation makes this up-to-date on its knowledge located throughout Michigan.

"Precise Engineering had tax abatements before they Contributing Writer "It's a very small amount been doing their homework take effect. ... that's why they were able

The main benefit Precise ready be taking steps to im- So far, Quinlan said, all will get from the act is the prove its efficiency. It had to the municipalities have ap-

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DeWinkle said tool and abatement of the state's single be a member of a tool and die proved the abatements for the gram in 2003. It was in rea a year and a half ago, but the

located all must approve the By J. Lobdell

"Several of our members In order to qualify for the of support for this tax abateabatements, Precise had to al- ment and for the industry."

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Kuiper, of Vennen Chrysler, he was going to inquire into

Precise specializes in me- lition started as a pilot pro- cise had employed 55 people jobs.

diate School District and the facturers to work cooperanot go into effect until all the hard times for industry in the cise would continue to get its employees or less can qualify employees-the point of the The United Tooling Coafor the tax abatements. Pre-legislation is to create more

### said. "We think that the tool and die industry needs to take a limited number of businesses. DeWinkle said Pre-united Tooling Coalition, a Still no communication on Township records show of the industry to be in a posi Township records show of the industry to be in a posi Township records show of the industry to be in a posi The municipal governments of the municipal governments of the industry to be in a posi The municipal government of the industry to be in a posi The municipal government of the industry to be in a posi The municipal government of the industry to be in a posi The municipal government of the industry to be in a posi The municipal government of the industry to be in a p

Ouinlan said. "There is a lot Westside business district would evolve but, instead, discome to a halt.

> mission member Deb Hinton, assigned to the task of working with Lowell business ing to the city's ordinance, Pasquale offered to contact owners on resolving signage leaving several businesses the businesses directly and dealers, said she has not received any contact from those quest was made more than two months ago.

> came before the Lowell Plan- other municipalities' sign orning Commission represent- dinances and get back to her, ing several dealerships along but no contact was made. In It was hoped that a dia- W. Main Street asking that the meantime, Hinton said she the current sign ordinance be believes the city is being taken reviewed. Many of the busi- advantage of with a moratonesses along the corridor uti- rium given to the businesses cussions over signage have lize balloons, banners and until the issue is resolved, and pendants to attract customers that the moratorium should Lowell Planning com- to their lots, Kuiper had told be revoked and the businesses the commission in June. Such fined. signage is forbidden, accord-City manager David

> issues primarily with auto forced to pay fines for viola- said if nothing has been done The commission sug- Oct. 25 meeting, the moratogested those interested from rium will be revoked and viothe business district contact lations issued. Hinton to work on a proposal At that time, Daryl change. Kuiper had indicated

by the planning commission's

Sign Ordinance, cont'd., pg. 13

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### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Lowell Historic Home Tour this Saturday

By Dan Schneider

A lot has changed in Lowell since the houses featured

tic for the purpose of looking thwarted their existence. But to build the road, a Works quested dental work in the Barb Barber said.



**401 North Division** 

in this year's second annual lookouts," Kathy Maatman historic home tour were built.

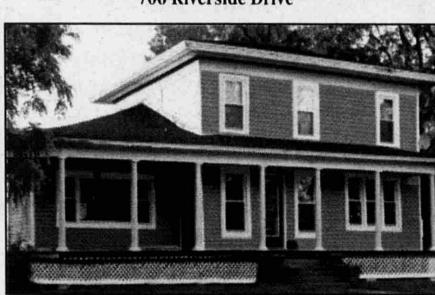
In 1872, when it was built, home on Hudson Street had views of the Flat River. There between Hudson and the river

The windows were Jim and Kathy Maatman's boarded over, since the con-

struction of other buildings were once windows in the at- had blocked the view and



706 Riverside Drive



307 North Jefferson Street



612 North Hudson Street



126 North Hudson Street

80-year-old woman, whose paved and developed. grandparents built the house,

happened to stop by.

what they know about the his-

workmen used hand shovels

The Ball house is another

tory of the house.

the Maatmans learned of the Progress Administration existence of these windows project. It stayed there as the about 15 years ago when an road gradually grew, became

This woman rang the have lived in the house 50 doorbell and was invited years this July, moved the in. From her memories of vis-structure to North Division iting the house as a child, she Street eight years ago.

329 North Monroe

home on the tour. It was built found a clue to the history of

about 115 years ago on M-21 their home in the attic. It was

when the road wasn't much a note addressed to a Mr.

of anything. It was there when Cambell. In it, a man re-

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Butitisn't there any more. Harold and Rose Ball, who

"We needed parking for

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the ice cream place," Rose

original owner.

following subtle fashion:

Overgrown trees had also "Pull any teeth that are covered up most of the front needed. I'll settle up with you of the house. It's in better shape now. The Barbers rent The note confirmed the the house out; it is the only Barbers' suspicions that a rental property on the tour.

small room near the entrance The eight homes feato the house, one with differ- tured in this year's Lowell ent wood trim from the rest of Historic Home Tour will be the house, had been used for a open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. dentist's office by the house's Saturday. Tickets are \$10 in advance and are available at The house was built in the the museum, at the Lowell 1880s or possibly 1890s. The Area Chamber of Commerce, Barbers had to do some ex- at the Lowell Ledger and at tensive work to improve the various businesses downlooks of the house after it had town. Tickets are available been split up and rented out the day of the tour for \$12 but



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the house in 1992.

for several years. They bought will not be sold at any of the historic homes featured.

it had been because it had the hours of the tour. been painted 20 or 30 times,"

"We tried to just restore The museum will be open the woodwork back to the way with free admission during

Don't bother just to be better than your contemporaries or predecessors. Try to be better than your-

-William Faulkner

### **SYNOPSIS REGULAR MEETING OF** THE LOWELL CITY COUNCIL **SEPTEMBER 20, 2004**

Minutes of the August 7, 2004 meeting were approved as corrected and the accounts payable were approved.

The following motions were approved:

- Motion to approve the Dickinson Wright proposal involving a two year contract to be prepared by staff for Attorney services with the City's option of a two year renewal
- Motion to approve the bid of \$1,000 from Bartlett Tree Service to remove the tree in the public right of way in front of 623 North Jefferson.
- Motion to accept the recommendation of the Airport Board and approve the bid from Tip Top Gravel for \$2,779.44 to provide crushed asphalt for the Airport entrance road.
- Motion to adjourn at 8:32 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Monday, October 4, 2004.

Complete minutes are available at Lowell City Hall, 301 East Main Street, Lowell, MI 49331.



Betty R. Morlock, City Clerk City of Lowell

# COMINGEVENTS

"Coming Events" are free port group, 9:30 Schneider of charge to any nonprofit Manor Community Rm., 12 p.m. in Schneider organization in the Lowell, 725 Bowes Rd. Ada, Alto & Saranac areas. We prefer such notices 1ST TUES .: Adults with 897-9261.

SUN.: Tri-town Conserva- Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., Look 9794. tion Club trap & skeet league, 5616 Dunn Rd. 12- S. Hudson St. 5 p.m. Call Larry at 754-7104. Public welcome. 2ND TUES .: Lowell Ma- Church, 201 N. Washing-

Christian Athletes & Lincoln Lake. Friends, 7-8:30 p.m. in homes. Call 676-1355.

(YMCA) 897-8445. Fee \$3. 975-9977.

102, 11 & up or completing 5th grade, meets 7-8:30 p.m. at Scout Cabin, end ters. 9:15-11:30 a.m. at of N. Washington St. Call Impact, a Wesleyan THURS .: St. Mary's Preg-Tim Vanderwulp at 897- Church, 1070 N. Hudson. 4302 for more info.

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

museum.84th/Alden Nash

3RDMON.: Fallasburg Hismeetings at chamber of- 4 Health Wellness Center. fice or Fallasburg, 7 p.m. All invited. Call 897-7161 for info. or location.

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

THIRD MON.: Peripheral Neuropathy support group, 7 p.m./ Schneider Manor Community Rm., 725

American Legion Post 152, tian Reformed Church 3100 Alden Nash S.E. at Ages 8-13. Call 897-8694. 7:30 p.m.

Sensibly Tops MI#372 Temple, 119 Lincoln Lake. meets at Key Heights Mo-Bldg. Weigh-ins 5:45 p.m.

TUES.: Cub Scout Pack 3188 at 1st United Methodist Church, 6:30 p.m. Cubmaster Bruce Doll, 897-9782 / email: bruce @

Woodcarvers at LAAC, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

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

to be kept brief and to be AD/HD at Calvin College, submitted by mail, but will 7-9 p.m. Call Gary Engle for Peripheral Neuropathy, accept notices by phone at at 897-6325 or 248-2423.

Memorial Fire Station, 315

sonic Lodge meeting, 7:30 ton St. 5:30 p.m. Register MON.: LHS Fellowship of p.m., Masonic Center, 119 1/2 hr. before the meeting.

of the American Sewing Musicians and Singers MON.: Women's over 30 Guild, D.W. Richardson practice at Saranac High drop-in basketball, 7-9:30 Center, 5255 Grand River School Band Rm. Choir:6p.m. at Cherry Creek El- Dr. 6:30 social 7 p.m. meetementary. Call Dave ing/ program. Call Maatman, 897-5981.

> ... because mothering mat- 897-7842. Call 897-8304 for details.

MON.: Lowell Board of 2ND & 4TH TUES.: women/adolescents at the Education meets 7 p.m. in Saranac Needlers, school: 11 a.m.-3 p.m.; by appointment. Call 676-Administration Building, needleart/quilting bee, 5- Mondays: 5:30-8 p.m. 897- 9346. 300 High Street. 8:30 p.m., 4 Health 9393. Wellness Center, Saranac, All are welcome. Contacts: 1ST THURS.: Michigan Bev or Melissa, 642-6466.

2ND MON.: Bowne Town- 2ND & 4TH TUES .: Knights Community Campus Mulship Historical Society of Columbus #7719 meets tipurpose Rm. 750 Fuller meets 7:30 at historic St. Mary School, 7:30 p.m. Ave. N.E.

Light dinner provided.

Scrappers, scrapbooking/ journaling group meets at Saranac, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Light refreshments served. Bev or Melissa, 642-6466.

children w/AD/HD at St Luke's Lutheran Church. 32156 4 Mile NE/ E. Beltline) at 7 p.m. Call Linda: 874-5662; teen

group: Sarah 281-6588.

Bowes. Dorothy 897-9794. EVERY OTHER WED.: ing 7:30 p.m. -? All 6:45-8:45 p.m. G.E.M.S. 4TH MON.: Clark-Ellis Girls Club - Calvary Chris-

WED.: Rotary meets at Meets at Alto Library 6:30-TUES .: Take Off Pounds noon, Lowell Masonic 8 p.m.

bile Home Park Community WED .: 8 p.m. ALANON Wellness Center in upstairs @Lowell Congregational Church.

> WED .: Lowell Church of the Nazarene Vacation Bible School, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., 5-12 yrs. Call 897-

WED .: Tri-town Conservation Club trap & skee league, 5616 Dunn Rd. 6-10 p.m.Larry 754-7104.

2ND WED .: Kent County Youth Fair Board meeting, 7:30 p.m., King Memorial Youth Center, 4-H Fairgrounds. Call 897-6050. Center. Call 897-7842.

Notices in The Ledger's 1ST TUES .: Diabetic Sup- 2ND WED .: Lowell Women's Club meets at Manor Community Room, 725 Bowes Rd.

> 2ND WED.: Support group 4 p.m., St. Paul's Anglican Catholic Church, Grand 1ST & 3RD TUES .: Lowell Rapids. Call Dorothy 897-

> > ers at Lowell Nazarene For info. 1-800-651-6000.

2ND TUES .: G.R. Chapter THURS .: Saranac Area 7 p.m./band:7-8. Kathy 7144 Headley, Ada.

THURS.: Pottery classes MON.: Boy Scout Troop 2ND & 4TH TUES .: MOPS at Franciscan Life Process - Mothers of Preschoolers Center, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Call

> nancy Crisis Center, 402 Amity St., non-denominational help for pregnant

Hepatitis C Foundation p.m., Spectrum Health Kent

3RD TUES.: Saranac 1ST THURS.: 4-H drama meeting, Lowell Middle School choir room. Call 897-1502 after 5 p.m.

> 1ST & 3RD THURS.: Alto Lions Club meets at Annalaine's on S. Alden

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

2NDTHURS.: Loyal Order of the Moose, men's meetmembers in good standing

2NDTHURS.: Genealogy-Alto Family Tree Club

3RD THURS.: 4 Health Saranac. Parent Support Group 7-8:30 p.m. Call 642-6466 for information.

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

Masons, 7:30 p.m., Lowell Masonic Center, 119 Lincoln Lake. Dinner: 6:30.

3RD THURS .: LaLeche due to homecoming pa-League of Ada, Cascade, Lowell 6:30 p.m. socializing; meeting 7 p.m. Support for pregnant/breastfeeding women; Ada church. 752-

THURS.: Weight Watch- FRI.: Arts/Crafts volunteers meet at Franciscan Life Process Center, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Call Pator Judy at 897-7842 to meet new friends, share your

> 2ND SAT.: Ada Historical Society, 10:30 a.m. at Averill Historical Museum,

> 2ND SAT.: Lowell Amateur 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.

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

LOWELL AREA HIS-TORICAL MUSEUM: Tues., Sat. & Sun.1-4: individuals \$3; 5-17 \$1.50; members free.897-7688.

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LOWELL AREA ARTS COUNCIL: Tues.- Fri.: 12 - 5 p.m.; Sat., 1-4 p.m. Monday / a.m. by appt. 149 S. Hudson. 897-8545 artscouncil.org.

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

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. Call 897-2037.

THURS., OCT. 7: Vergennes Cooperative Club, 1 p.m. at Schneider Manor Activity Rm. Program: 90 years Vergennes Co-op Club. Hostesses: Alice Bauer, Julia Hurley, Aileen McCabe.

THURS., OCT. 7: National Depression Screening Day at 4 Health Wellness Center, 77 Bridge St., Saranac 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Call 642-6466 for information

3RD THURS.: Royal Arch THURS., OCT. 7: Picture Church, 5-7 p.m., corner retakes at LHS, 9-11 a.m. of 84th and Alden Nash

> FRI., OCT. 8: Lowell football game begins at 7:30 rade. Gates open at 6 p.m.

> SAT., OCT. 9: Lowell Historic Home Tour, 10-5 p.m. Tickets: \$10 in advance; \$12 day of. Call 897-7688 for more info. Tickets not sold at tour homes.

> SAT., OCT. 9: Free admission to Lowell Area Historical Museum. Visit the new east wing. Call 897-7688.

SAT., OCT. 9: Harvest Celebration in Lowell all day. For vendor space on the Riverwalk call the chamber at 897-9161.

SAT., OCT. 16: Swiss craft show at Grattan steak dinner at Bowne Academy High School. Center United Methodist Call Dianna 691-6504.

(M-50).

SAT., OCT. 16: Attic Treasures Roadshow at White Hills Bible Church, 3900 E. Fulton. Bring items to be appraised. \$5 per item. Judy 897-7688.

TUES., OCT. 26: Freedom Series: Roundtable "The Veterans of Lowell" 7 p.m. at Lowell High School. Free admission, 974-1955.

SAT., OCT. 30: Halloween Masquerade at Deer Run Golf Club featuring Great Lakes Band, Opens 7 p.m.: music at 8 p.m. Tickets: \$10. Call LAAC at 897-8545.

SAT., OCT. 30: Family, Friends and Neighbors

### Thank you!

The Flat River Outreach Ministries, Inc. would like to thank the following contributors for their part in the success of our pie sale at the Fallasburg Festival:

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and all of the volunteers who spent hours making and selling pies. God bless all of you!

### **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., OCT. 6: 10 a.m. Blood Pressure Check; 2:45 p.m. Shop Meijer.

THURS., OCT. 7: 12:15 p.m. Dance Westside

FRI., OCT. 8: 12 p.m. Birthday/Anniversary; 12:45 p.m. Bingo; 3 p.m. Color Tour & Dinner at

MON., OCT. 11: 12 p.m. Potato Bar; 12:45 p.m. Games at Center.

TUES., OCT. 12: 10:30 a.m. Out & About. WED., OCT. 13: 8:30

a.m. Traveling Breakfast

Steak & Shake; 12:45 p.m. Health Expo Senior Day at Rogers Plaza.

THURS., OCT. 14: 11 a.m. Shop Greenville K-Mart, Downtown & Lunch at

FRI., OCT. 15: 10 a.m. Community Senior Neighbor Lunch at Grandville.

MON., OCT. 18: 12:45 p.m. Movie at Center "The Passions of Christ."

TUES., OCT. 19: 10:30 a.m. Out & About; 12:45 p.m. Shop Target and Hobby Lobby.

### Education Foundation holds third annual "Dinner with Friends"

By Dan Schneider

Education Foundation is now "I also like to hunt wild tur- serving eastern European accepting reservations for its key so we're going to cook food. The two main dishes at popular "Dinner With one of those for our guests, her house will be Russian in Friends."

This is the third year of the event, which is a fund- dinners which farmers put on Kulebyaka. Her family reraiser for the foundation. This year's "Dinner with Friends" farmers would help each other from the Ukraine, where Ruswill take place Saturday, Oct. in the fields all day, then eat sia and Poland have had a 23. Nine hosts will be cooking dinner for about eight diners, worked. many of whom are often relative strangers. So it's a dinner with friends who may be new said.

at the start of the evening.

nizer Teresa Beachum said. "But by the end of the evening torical Museum. they will get to know people might never have met."

Last year's dinner raised took a traditional kind of har- ceeds benefit the Education \$3.500 for the Education Foundation which uses the added some eastern, Pacific make a reservation or for more money to provide grants for coast ingredients to change it information. individual teachers to promote up a bit." innovative curriculum projects not covered by the district. It also gives \$250 "Bright Ideas" grants to individual students. Projects the foundation has funded include the robotics project at Cherry Creek Elementary, the Lit-

Peer Mediation. In the nine years of its existence, the foundation has raised \$215,000 to support education projects in Lowell

eracy Learning Center, the

Aviation Math Club, digital

photography, and Freshman

Cooks in the area look forward to the "Dinner with Friends" event as a way to show off their skills. The result is a wide variety of menus Gordon and Marsha Wilcox have been hosts in their home on Bailey Drive all three years of the event. This year they are serving a harvest dinner with "tame beef and wild turkey."

### Ordinance, continued...

From Page 10

During public comment at the Monday night meeting, mayor Jeanne Shores said she had hoped this would help encourage dialogue between the city and the Westside busi-

"I really think we need to get some communication going," Shores said, encouraging city officials to do what they can to help break down the barrier. Hinton said one of the

hurdles she did run into during a few conversations she had with business owners was they wanted her to help with items outside her area. Hinton said she would be happy to work with them but at this point had not received any con tact on moving forward.

"We raise beef here on The dinners often reflect

"Everybody tried to serve their best recipes," Wilcox terested in preserving some Chef Rein and Minnie said

"When people come and Kansman are serving a variasign up for the houses, they tion of a harvest dinner that cede dinner at the various host may not know the host and includes Asian influences. It homes starting at 5:30. At the they might not know a single will be eaten in the recently- conclusion of dinner, the event soul at the table," event orga- completed Victorian dining continues at Lowell City Hall room at the Lowell Area His- with coffee, dessert and enter-

from the community they a few different ingredients," \$50 per person. Host families Chef Rein Kansman said. "I donate the food so all provest dinner food and I've Foundation. Call 897-7768 to

our farm so it's all pretty the interests of the hosts. First-The Lowell Area Schools tame," Marsha Wilcox said. year host Melanie Brimm is origin: roast pork loin with The fare is modeled after apple stuffing and Salmon in the past. At harvest time, cently adopted a daughter dinner at the house where they major influence on culture and

"We are particularly inparts of her culture," Brimm

A social hour will pretainment by Roger "I'm playing around with MacNaughton. Tickets are

Dinner hosts with their main dishes and location: Host 1: Chef Rein & Minnie Kansman. Host 5: Jim & Mari Stone "A Bizarre Harvest Dinner"; "My Big Fat Greek Dinner" Grilled pork loin chops hoisin. Thompson Drive, Lowell. The Lowell Area Historical Host 6: Ned & Shari Miller Museum. with Mark Kasmer. Host 2: Richard & Nola Bryan, "Two Men in the Kitchen": Carl & Bev Anderson. Chicken Marsala. "A Nantucket Happening"; Radny Street, Lowell. Seafood au gratin. Main Street, Lowell. Host 7: Gordon & Marsha Wilcox

"Fall Harvester's Dinner": Tame Host 3: Melanie & Jacob Brimm beef and wild turkey. with Rae Ramsdell. Bailey Drive, Lowell. "Eastern European": Salmon or Host 8: Dave and Jan Thompson. Foley's Grade, Lowell

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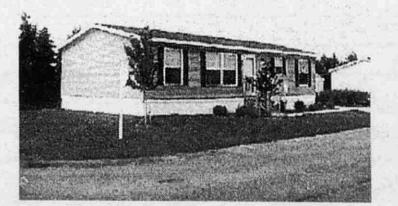
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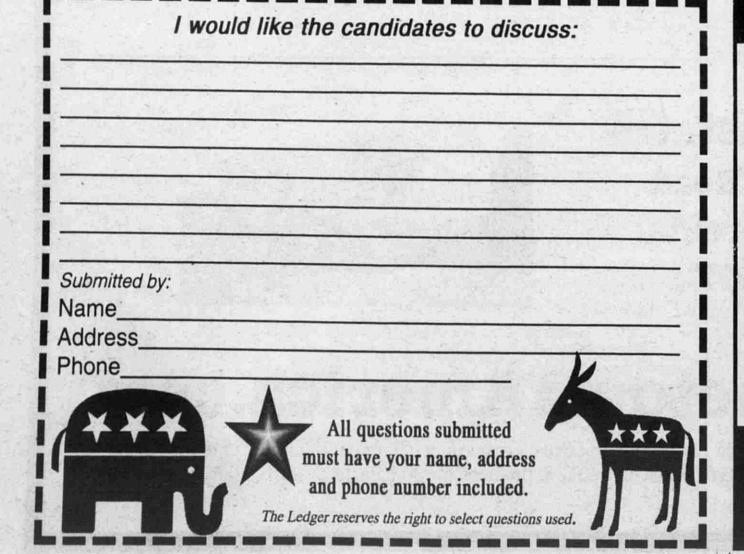
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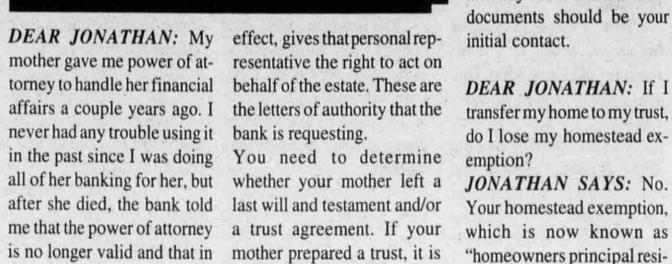
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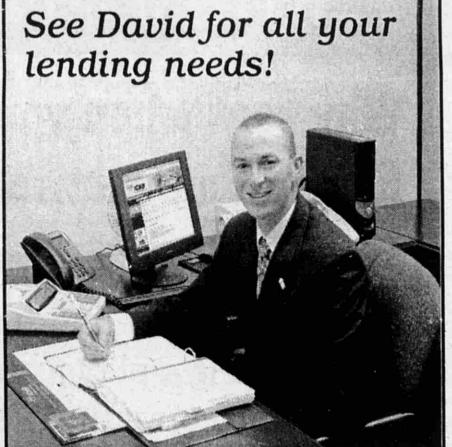
confused. Can you help? JONATHAN SAYS: The that the bank accounts were power of attorney your mother just in your mother's name gave you was only valid while alone at the time of her death she was alive. Once a person because the bank is requestdies, a power of attorney can ing letters of authority, and no longer be used. What the those letters would not be necbank is telling you is that in essary if those bank accounts order for you to access her were held by your mother's bank accounts, you need to trust. If your mother left a last open up a probate estate and will and testament, there have a personal representa- should be a provision which tive appointed on behalf of states who she has named as the estate. Once that is done, the personal representative of the personal representative her estate - this is the person will be issued letters of au- who upon being appointed by thority by the court which, in the court will be issued letters

order to access her bank ac- possible that she transferred counts, I need to present them her bank accounts to that trust with letters of authority. I am prior to death and, if so, those accounts would not need to be probated. However, I assume

the personal representative of my sister's estate. I came across a life insurance policy which named my mother as the beneficiary, however, she is deceased and there is not a contingent beneficiary named. What happens to the life insurance proceeds which are fairly substantial?

JONATHAN SAYS: Since there is no named beneficiary alive to take those proceeds, the proceeds would flow to your sister's estate. Upon completing the probate of your sister's estate, those proceeds will pass to the beneficiaries named in her last will and testament, if she left one. or, if not, then to your sister's heirs under state law.

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of authority to act on behalf of the estate.

If you need any further help or have any further concerns, you should contact an estate planning attorney to help you. If your mother did in fact leave a last will and testament and/or a trust, then the attorney who drafted those documents should be your initial contact.

transfer my home to my trust, do I lose my homestead ex-

emption? JONATHAN SAYS: No. Your homestead exemption. which is now known as "homeowners principal residence exemption" is not lost when you transfer your house to your trust. An applicable exception applies which states that a transfer of property to a trust where the grantor is the sole beneficiary, is not deemed to be a transfer of ownership and as such, there will not be an uncapping of the property's taxable value. In short, you can transfer your house to your trust and lose the principal residence exemption on your property.

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### Homecoming 2004 parade and game Friday night

It's homecoming week in Lowell. Things get started 2:30 p.m. on Friday, will be will build a parade float on will take place at the high Chelsea Karas, Joe Mull, Wednesday night with the held in the Lowell High Powderpuff football game. School gymnasium. Last year's junior team, which tied the senior team 16-16, rade, with lineup at 5:30 at ders." will take on this year's jun- First United Methodist Sophomores, "Monopoly." iors as seniors. The game Church, will head west on Juniors, "Life."

The Homecoming pa- Freshman, "Chutes and Ladstarts at 7 p.m. at Red Arrow Main Street at 6 p.m. and end Seniors, "Candy Land."

A pep rally, from 2 to at the fairgrounds. Each class The 2004 homecoming dance Nicole Gibbs, Steve Ellison, resentatives. Keith Nichol the following board-game school this Saturday at 8 Sabra Kinsley, David Sefton

> Senior members of the homecoming court are An- Foley are the junior class repthony Bronkella, Emily Gerard, Kevin Eggebeen,

day. They had more gas."

and Elise Wisnieski.

and Stephanie Kempker represent the sophomore class. Pete Scudder and Breanna Brad Shea and Brittany Beuche are the freshman rep-

### Red Arrow soccer ready for conference tournament

By Dan Schneider

against Portage Northern in the East Lansing Tournament quality." has the boys varsity soccerteam fired up going into the OK White tournament.

us, beating Northern," said Lowell coach Paul Legge.

big game. It's been about In the tournament final, A win last Saturday three or four years really since Lowell fell to host East Lan- in the OK White tournament we beat a team that's that sing, 1-0, having left every- this year. They're eager to

> kies 2-1. Goals were made by Zach Ligman (Shane Stokes that first game," Legge said. Mayhue scoring on a rebound. (with East Lansing), it's just share of the conference title,"

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

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KENT COUNTY, MICHIGAN

**Proposed Beer and Wine License Ordinance** 

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing before the Vergennes

Township Board will be held on Monday, October 18, 2004, at

7:00 PM, at the Vergennes Township Hall, located at 10381

Bailey Drive, Lowell, MI 49331 to consider a proposed Township Beer

and Wine License Ordinance. The Township of Vergennes intends to

enact an ordinance to establish procedures and standards for the

review of applications, renewals, and revocations of a license to sell

beer and wine. The proposed ordinance is written to correspond with

the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998, MCL 436.1101, as

Applications for a license or transfer of a license to sell beer and wine

shall be made to the township board, and shall include specific

information on the applicant, the intended location of the business,

Proposed facility/buildings located within 500 feet of a school or

church must obtain written approval of an authorized representative

Reasons for not issuing a license include violations of local, State or

Federal laws. The Township Board can also determine that the

proposed application is inappropriate for various specified reasons.

The Township Board reserves the right to exercise reasonable

discretion to determine who, if anyone, shall be entitled to the

approval of such license, and further reserves the right to maintain a

list of all applicants and to review the same when, in its discretion, it

determines that the issuance of an additional beer and wine license is

in the best interests of the township at large and for the needs and

There will be requirements for Public Hearings for all applications or

considerations of revocation. The Board reserves the right to

recommend non-renewal or revocation of a license. The proposed

ordinance also outlines special activity permits, penalties and

The complete text of the proposed ordinance amendments are on file

in the offices of the Township Clerk at the Vergennes Township Hall,

10381 Bailey Drive, PO Box 208, Lowell, MI 49331; Phone: (616)

897-5671 [fax 897-5674]. Written and oral comments regarding the

proposed amendments will be received until the conclusion of the

public hearing. Written comments may be addressed to the Township

Clerk at the Township Offices, or by e-mailing the Clerk at

Mari Stone, Vergennes Township Clerk

amended. A synopsis of the proposed ordinance is as follows:

prior records (if any), and financial statements.

of the school or church.

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convenience of its citizens.

clerk@vergennestwp.org.

remedies, severability, and effective dates.

"Finally we stepped up in a yards out," Legge said.

thing on the field in the first get to the final to have an-The Arrows beat the Hus-game.

"It was a great shot, 25 they were in better shape that Legge said.

"The guys gave a lot in who beat them 4-3 Sept. 23. said. "We have a lot of guys "That was a big win for on the assist) and Seth "I think we matched up well and we would at least get a ball."

> was a study in contrasting win for Unity. playing styles. Lowell likes

to control the ball while the Lowell is the second seed Crusaders rely more on speed and athleticism.

"This is the most possession-oriented team we've had other shot at Unity Christian, since I've been here," Legge "We win that tournament who can do things with the with anyone in the state and I

Lowell controlled the ball in the game, but made The game against Unity mistakes that led to the 4-3

Lowell beat Cedar Springs 4-1 at Cedar last Tuesday.

Legge is confident about the OK White tournament and whatever comes next.

"We know we can play think the guys are ready to get the results now," he said.

Lowell hosts the tournament this year. Game one is Thursday.

### Best finish yet for girls tennis

By Dan Schneider

Lowell took fourth place flight Saturday in the OK White put them in fourth place to finish the conference season, the best finish ever for a Low- in the second flight, Kayla 4, 0-6, 6-3 in third singles. ell girls tennis team.

good feeling," said Lowell coach Bonnie Wall.

win any championship matches, but won third-place matches in four flights. In singles play, played at regular conference season for Lauren Cavner and Lindsey Greenville, Lowell's Lowell was a 5-3 win Gates 6-3, 6-1. Rachelle Levingston took last Wednesday hosting

played at Sparta, won third Irwin and Shelly Wernet in "This year we're fourth the third flight, and Terrah Tawney and Lindsay Aiken in the fourth flight.

The Red Arrows didn't singles and Heather Spratt in fourth singles won consolation brackets.

third place in the second Cedar Springs.

Levingston defeated The doubles teams, which Taryn Bowling 6-4, 2-6, 7-5 in second singles. Haley place in three flights: Julie Irwin defeated Cedar Geelhoed and Jean Kimberlin Springs' Kristin Powell 6-Kimberlin and Geelhoed defeated Missy Marquez and Sarah Noren, 6-1, 6-0 in second doubles. Kayla Irwin Haley Irwin in third and Wernet beat Cedar's Silja Grefe and Samantha Gould, 6-3, 6-2 in third doubles. In fourth doubles, The last match of the Aiken and Tawney defeated

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# Lowell football tells familiar story against Northview: 42-0

By Dan Schneider

built a "Dukes of Hazzard"themed float for the Wildcats' homecoming game last Friday against Lowell.

The float featured the general, Robert E. Lee, in Wildcat colors, soaring off a jump and through the uprights. On the float, a cardboard squad Lowell coach Noel Dean said. car painted to represent the Red Arrows was stuck behind in the dust.

The float took second place when it paraded around the story line on the field.

Arrows favored by the Duke Lowell. boys, who never used guns on always on probation by the 21 yards. He had three recepcorrupt Hazzard County tions for 51 yards in the game. sheriff's department. Lowell Jason Welsch had the recepwas General Lee flying tion on the other touchdown through the air and leaving from nine yards out. Northview looking like and fuming in the dried-up receptions. riverbed.

Cassie Balfour

Keagan Barnes

Brianna Bergy

Austin Bieri

Cody Bieri

Joshua Chamberlain

Dean Chittenden

Drake Chittenden

Luke Chittenden

Molly Doyle

Brady Fox

Derek Massey

Shannon Massey

Alisha McGlamery

Samantha Mundt

Michael Ortowski

Marissa McGlamery

Ryan Esbaugh to 54 yards on Northview's junior class 12 carries for the game. Two of those carries were for touchdowns, however. Lowell quarterback Keith Nichol, usually as much a threat on the ground as in the air, managed only 14 yards on 15 attempts.

"Up front we've got to get back to doing some blocking,"

Except for allowing a sack that cost Lowell 18 yards and forced a punt on their second drive, the offensive line kept Nichol protected. Nichol threw nine completions on 11 atwas after Lowell had reversed tempts for 160 yards and two touchdowns in the game. His Lowell was up 35-0 at the passing also converted a few half. They were the dynamite third and long situations for

Mike Koster caught one the show because they were of the touchdown passes for

Brad Shea led Lowell in Roscoe P. Coltrane, crashed receiving with 53 yards on two

Mike McElroy made his Northview did manage to second defensive score of the frustrate Lowell's running season. He returned an intergame, holding them to 102 ception 38 yards for a touchyards. They heldrunning back down. Jeremy Holliman's only

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With the Arrows struggling on the ground, quarterback Keith Nichol was called upon to pass. He did this successfully, with an 82 percent completion rate for 160 yards.

rushing attempt of the game homecoming. The Arrows was for 12 yards and a touch- will host Greenville.

of the second half.

Northview, meanwhile,

Northview coach Scott win 21-0. Robertson said.

"They're a pretty good Red Arrows wearing team and we're looking forclean uniforms played most ward to playing them," Dean The Yellow Jackets were

struggled throughout the the only other undefeated team game to get much offense in the OK White going into last Friday's game against East "Ithink we've played ex- Grand Rapids. Greenville held tremely well offensively all the Pioneers scoreless in the year long but we faced a heck first half of that game but East of a defense tonight," took control in the second to

Lowell's homecoming This Friday is Lowell's game starts at 7:30 p.m.

Lowell's Ryan Esbaugh broke wide open for this nine-yard touchdown run, one of two he had in the game.

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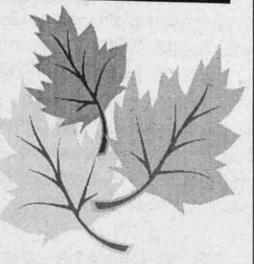
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Lowell hoopsters hammer Crusaders 53-23

By Dan Schneider

The Lowell girls varsity basketball team hit the court scoring and stayed ahead in last Thursday's matchup be-

and Keni Gallert had four coach Dee Crowley. each-as they trounced Unity Christian. The final score was

early and then it just kind of 26. steamrolled," Unity coach Scott Soodsma said. "They the three-point line."

from the three-point line. Meanwhile, Amy Oberlin,

By Dan Schneider

last Wednesday.

Clay VanderWarf.

country team posted its first

win of the season with a 19-

We took the first three places

for the guys, and our fourth

and fifth guys weren't too far

behind," said Lowell coach

spots for Lowell were Eric

Shumm (17:23), Mitch So-

lon (17:42) and Steve Ellison

(17:44). Lowell's other scor-

ing runners took sixth (Jon

Riddle, 18:22) and seventh

places made it tough for the

girls team. But they claimed

their third dual win of the

Missing the first two

(Andy Mark, 18:29).

Boys cross country

with win over Knights

"They had a tight pack. Debiak, fifth in 21:29.

Taking the first three OK White; the boys are 1-3.

Woods (eighth, 22:32).

Northview on Wednesday.

breaks through

threat, had no points in the

"She was definitely part of the game but she didn't have tween OK White undefeateds. any scoring opportunities, just Three-point shots fueled kept the ball moving to the the Arrows-Devon Collins people who did," said Lowell

Inside the key was the only place the Crusaders got the better of Lowell. They "They hit a few shots outrebounded the Arrows, 27-

Lowell's defense, however, forced 28 turnovers in shot unbelievably well from the game. Leading scorers for the Arrows were Gallert with Lowell was 10 for 15 18, Collins with 14, and Brook VanEck with 12.

The game wasn't what the

Lowell's usual inside scoring Arrows expected when they hit the court against a team the first quarter and 34-9 at that had been 5-0 in the con- the half.

"I expected we'd be able Greenville last Tuesday and to beat them but I expected a one against Unity solidify round of the OK White. That little better game," Crowley Lowell's standing at the top game will take place Thurs-

Lowell was up 17-5 after

Posting a 59-30 win at of the OK White.

"It definitely puts us in the driver's seat starting the next rotation," Crowley said.

The Arrows have Cedar Springs left to play in this day at Cedar Springs.

"We just want to stay consistent and play at a high level, respect our opponents but play our best," Crowley said.

Lowell played Ionia in a non-league game on Tuesday



Lowell's Meghan Beachum tries to get position for a free-throw rebound late in last Thursday's win over Unity



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NICOLAS DURAN CARRILLO McKinney Falls St. Park Austin, TX 78794

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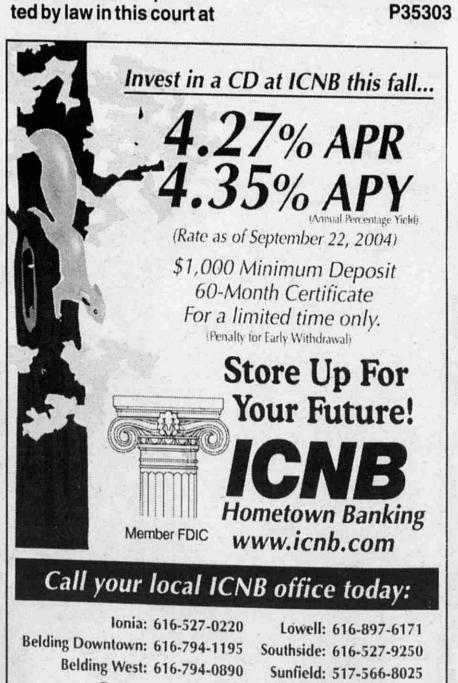
2004. If you fail to do so,

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LEDGER for three (3) consecutive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court. A copy of this order shall be sent to Defendant,

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