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History lesson in Lowell

Sixth grade students from East Rockford Middle School were on a tour of Lowell last Thursday to examine architectural elements in the city's buildings. The structures magnet learning group at the school, which learns about the various disciplines (math, science, etc.) through architecture, was taking notes on the Lowell showboat as showboat builder Ivan Blough talked about its detailing and construction as an example of a transportation-related structure.

Other years, the class had toured the Heritage Hill District in Grand Rapids, but chose Lowell this year for its greater variety of building types (residential, commercial, etc.) within a walkable area.

"We will refer to this trip all year because we'll say, 'Remember the keystone at the police station' or whatever," said math and science teacher Diane Sellhorn.



Gun drawn during argument outside Main Street establishment

By Dan Schneider

man drew a firearm during what police believe was a drug-related altercation two weeks ago outside Larkin's Restaurant.

Jeffrey Scott Stevens, 50, of Lowell, was arrested and charged with four felony counts and two misdemeanors. He is accused of pulling out a small caliber pistol and waving it at a 25-year-old man's chest.

Stevens was in Larkin's Restaurant celebrating his birthday the night of Thursday, Oct. 13. Around 2 a.m. Friday morning, he was in an argument with the 25-year-old Lowell man. Lowell police detective

James Hinton said a drug issue was the probable topic of the dispute.

They took the argument outside onto North Broadway Street after the bar closed, which is when Stevens pulled the gun. The younger man's friends called police. By the time the first officer arrived, Stevens had put the gun away. He attempted to walk away when a second officer

arrived on the scene, and reportedly resisted arrest once taken into custody.

Stevens' first three felony counts are firearms Arrest, cont'd., pg. 13

Commission votes down annexation

"We couldn't get anybody to play together here." - Rob Munger, developer

By Dan Schneider

owell will not grow by 177 acres.

Last Thursday, the state boundary commission denied a bid by Kentwood developer Rob Munger to annex a parcel of that size at the corner of Alden Nash Avenue and Vergennes Street to the city of Lowell. The parcel is part of Vergennes Township.

"I think there is such a thing as orderly growth and I think this is not it," boundary commissioner Robert Clark said before voting to deny the annexation.

It was a unanimous vote by county boundary commissioners Clark and Susan Flakne, and state-level commissioners Vicki Barnett and chairperson Ken Verberg.

"Obviously, we're happy it went our way," Vergennes Township supervisor Tim Wittenbach said of the decision. "We're still in control of zoning on the property, and that was our goal from the beginning."

The denial came after a final appeal by Munger at the hearing.

"We couldn't get anybody to play together here," Munger said, referring to the municipalities' failure to come up with a 425 agreement.

He continued with an emotional appeal, saying without the annexation, it would be difficult to build a profitable development.

"As a developer, I get quite frequently asked to move out of the state," Munger said, meaning that there are promising business opportunities in other places such as Georgia.

Munger, whose com-

pany DuRay Development, LLC is based in Kentwood, said that he wants to stay in Michigan.

"We need jobs here.

I. don't want to move to
Atlanta," he said.

After the commission made its decision, Munger had no comment about the decision or whether he still plans to develop the property. At a public hearing in March, he said he was committed to developing the property, regardless of the result of the annexation petition.

Wittenbach said ne doesn't think the Annexation, cont'd., pg. 9



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CHESEBRO

Kim N. Chesebro, aged 58, of Lowell, died October of Kalamazoo, Gail Beach of 19, 2005. He was preceded Grand Rapids, Diane (Gary) in death by his wife, Potgeter of Holland, Jenny Pamela. He is survived (Jay) Babler of Lowell; by his children Lori Sue, stepdaughter Carol (Paul) Kim Jr. of MO, Quade Weber of Mt. Pleasant; nine Cheseboro at home; one grandchildren; one greatgranddaughter Tyler; Pam's grandson; sister Louise daughter Melissa (Stuart) (Ron) Conklin; brother Memorial Gardens. In Holloway, Brad (Angie) the Lowell Women's Club, (Rick) Culp of Clarksville; Smith of Lowell; sister Nola Bob Williams. She will be lieu of flowers, memorial Plutschouw; grandchildren Lowell Showboat Garden Jeff(Pearl) Seppanen of New Bristol of Lowell; brother truly missed by her loving contributions may be made Alexis and Maranda Club and Eastern Star. Mexico; 10 grandchildren; Larry (Edith) Chesebro of family. The Funeral Service to Hospice of Holland Holloway, Kathryn and Funeral services were held six great-grandchildren; Ada; Pam's parents Dick was held October 20 at Home. and Pat Craft of Lowell; Stroo Funeral Home, with special people in Kim's life: Dr. Bradley P. Kalajainen Pauline Chesebro of MO, officiating. Interment in Win Hoag, as he was October 24, at Christian of Alto United Methodist parents Benjamin and Hazel Ron Chesebro of Lowell, Blain Cemetery. Memorial aunt Dorothy Chesebro of contributions may be given Lowell; and several nieces to Hauenstein Parkinson's Tuesday, October 4, 2005. Interment Bailey Cemetery. contributions may be made and Beth Helrigel Wester. and nephews. Kim was a Center at St. Mary's Health longtime member of the Care or Paws With a Cause. Lowell Moose Lodge #809. Cremation has taken place per his wishes.

DAY

Sunday, October 16, 2005. Willard and Eva Rea on Squadron. Win served all a wonderful, caring mother. preceded in death by her He was especially proud of by her husband Cecil Day sister Maxine Olman. She from the Air Force in 1961 and a son John Edward Day. will be lovingly missed by with the rank of a major.

Surviving are her daughters Susan (James) Runsbottom

GROOTERS

Dorothy Eleanor Grooters of Mining and Technology (Rea), aged 83, of Jenison, formerly of Lowell, went to Mrs. M. Ethel Day, aged be with her Lord and Savior 75, of Grand Rapids, passed on Thursday, October 20, as a cadet, then became a away unexpectedly on 2005. She was born to pilot with the 309th Bomber Ethel was a loving wife and January 11, 1922. She was over the world during WWII. She was preceded in death husband Gerald G. (1991), the Berlin Airlift. Win retired

TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the Township of Grattan will hold a public hearing on November 2, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. at the Grattan Township Hall, 12050 Old Belding Road, within the Township, concerning a proposed amendment in the Grattan Township Zoning Ordinance.

The proposed amending ordinance would amend Section 13.11 of the zoning ordinance, pertaining to the special land use for removal of natural resources, so as to provide for the payment of an annual surveillance fee to the Township, by owners and operators under the terms of the special land use for removal of natural resources, so as to defray the Township's cost of administration, surveillance and enforcement of the special land use. The annual surveillance fee includes but is not limited to Township expenses for the review of applications, testing, monitoring, sampling, surveying, consultant fees and other related costs and expenses for the ongoing administration and surveillance of the specia land use and for related Township purposes.

The amending ordinance includes other provisions covering procedures whereby notification of the annual fee is made, the refunding of any accumulated but unused annual fee amounts and other matters.

All interested persons may attend the public hearing and comment on the proposed amending ordinance. Written comments concerning the ordinance may be submitted to the Township office at the above-stated address up to the time of the public hearing. Dated: October 7, 2005

> PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN

her two daughters Patricia is survived by his wife Lynn Colorado; granddaughter (Ron) Bekker of Canadian Hoag; brother Brian and Nataly (Moss Willow) Lois Ann Seppanen, aged Lakes, Diana (Bill) Knight (Carol) Hoag; sister Bonnie Roberts; great-grandsons 76, of Alto, went to be of Zeeland; twin sons Gary (James) Doll; many nieces Tristan Roberts and Raine with her Lord on Thursday, (Nancy) Grooters of Byron and nephews; his children Center, Jerry (Patricia) who had the privilege to Jerry (Carol) Roberts; survived by her loving, Grooters of Lowell; 11 know and love him and he grandchildren; 14 great- will be truly missed by all. grandchildren; brothers Paul Rea, Robert (Sharon) Rea; sister-in-law Evelyn Heim; Sharon D. Plutschouw, aged artist. She enjoyed sewing (Jim) Van Aman of Florida;

HOAG

and received a degree in

electrical engineering. In

1941, he entered the USAF

After retiring he served

in the Red Cross Disaster

Relief Services. Win always

PLUTSCHOUW many nieces, nephews and 63, of Lowell, went to be for weddings and restoring brother Bob (Peggy) Nagel cousins. Funeral services with Jesus, October 20, clothing for museums. She of Wellston; brother-in-law were held Saturday at 2005. She is survived by her taught sewing and gained Herbert Brown of Allegan; Zaagman Memorial Chapel. husband of 38 years, David; national recognition for her step-children Sherry (Dave) Interment Chapel Hill children Melissa (Bill) quilts. Rose was active in Smith of Grand Rapids, Julie Meghan Plutschouw; many Monday, October 24, at the many nieces, nephews and nieces and nephews. Funeral Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, a host of friends. She was service was held Monday, Lowell, Rev. Dean Bailey preceded in death by her known to his friends and Life Center, Lowell, Rev. Churchofficiating.Interment Nagel; daughters Lynn family, passed away on Robert Holmes officiating. Bailey Cemetery. Memorial Helrigel Summers, Bill He was born August 30, Memorial contributions may to Lowell Rotary Club, Funeral services were held 1917. He graduated from be made to Hospice of West Lowell Showboat Garden Monday at Middleville Lowell in 1935, then Michigan or Christian Life Club or Lowell Women's United Methodist Church, attended Michigan College Center.



ROBERTS had a deep seated love for Rose O. Roberts, aged 89, sisters Jill Seif of Ada, Jody in death by her husband family and friends and it was of Lowell, passed away Markel and her husband Robert and her infant son his belief that "Success is a October 19, 2005. She was Louis of Lowell; brother Richard Michael. Marion journey, not a destination." preceded in death by her Joe M. Seif Jr. of Ada; is survived by her daughter Win had three children. husband of 68 years, Roger grandparents Edward and Donna (Tom) Basarabski; He was preceded in death Roberts. She is survived by Diane Beebe of Belding; son David (Brenda) Slater; by his wife Ruth, brothers her children Gary (Carol) Lovie Beebe of Kissimmee, grandchildren Arnold, Lee, Ray, Wayne Roberts of Chester, SC, FL; aunts, uncles and (Tom) Wheeler, Richard Les (Ralph), Leonard and Elaine (Michael Bowie) cousins. She was preceded Basarabski, Robert Slater; sister Betty (Elizabeth). He Roberts of Fort Collins, in death by her grandparents sister-in-law Alice Slater;

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Willow; brother-in-law October 20, 2005. She is sisters-in-law Betty Wilson, caring husband of 33 years, Mary Roberts; many nieces Richard C. Seppanen; a seamstress, tailor and of Shelbyville; sister Shirley

SEIF

Club.

Lowell High School where United Methodist Church she played sports, mostly or Middleville United basketball and softball. A Methodist Church. very creative person, Jami enjoyed artistic things and are asked to consider St. Alzheimer's Unit. Patrick Catholic School

Endowment Fund.

and nephews. Rose was daughter Jody (Gary) Pratt Pastor Dean Bailey and Pastor Scott E. Manning officiating. Interment Irving Jami Seif, aged 23, of Ada, Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, passed away on Monday, memorial contributions October 17, 2005. She may be made to Hospice of was 'a 2001 graduate of your choice, Bowne Center

SLATER focused on drawings. She Marion E. Slater, aged 80, was a wonderful daughter of Alto, went to be with her to her parents who survive, Lord on Saturday, October Joe and Annette of Ada; her 15, 2005. She was preceded Joanne and Richard Seif. several nieces and nephews. The Mass of Christian Burial A Memorial Mass for was offered on October Marion was celebrated Oct. 21 at St. Patrick Catholic 19 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Parnell with Fr. Church, Caledonia, with Fr. Rock Badgerow officiating. David LeBlanc presider. The Interment at St. Patrick family suggests memorial Cemetery. Those planning contributions be made to an expression of sympathy the Cumberland Manor

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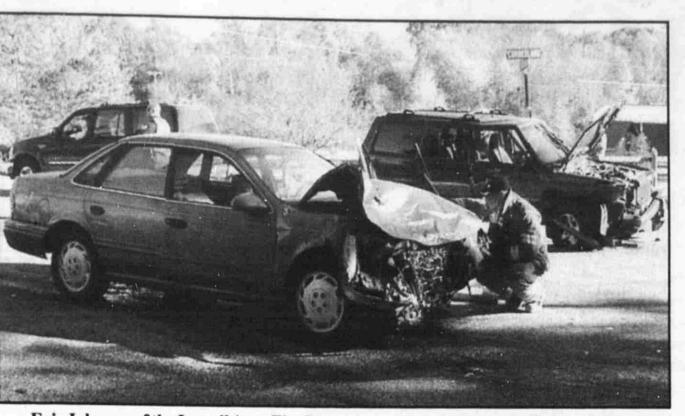
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Another accident at Foreman & Cumberland



Eric Johnson of the Lowell Area Fire Department cuts the battery wires on a damaged Taurus after last Tuesday's crash. Cutting the wires is a precaution against car fires.

By Dan Schneider

A car accident last Tuesday afternoon at the intersection of Cumberland Avenue and Foreman Street was the side of the intersection. She second collision at that location in as many months.

Tuesday's crash occurred about 4 p.m. and involved two approaching. The vehicles us," he said.

By Dan Schneider

just around the corner.

vehicles, a Ford Taurus and collided and both came to rest on Cumberland on the north pulled away from the stop sign kee, Jeff Zvirzdinis, 49, said to make a left turn without he had no time to react.

seeing the westbound Jeep

Annual event on tap for November 5th

billed as "Iowa corn fed" is

14024 Thompson Drive. This

involves steamed mussels in

white wine, garlic and parsley;

cream of mushroom soup; as-

crab cakes over field greens

with sweet pepper and onion

dressing; shrimp creole and

rice: succotash sauteed in but-

The biggest spread in

terms of guests accommo-

dated will be at Patty and

from around the world." On

the menu are squash bisque,

sorted crackers and spreads;

This is the fourth year the main dish, served with

Education Foundation's popuvegetables and a California

conversation with friends or cooking "Long Live New

acquaintances at different Orleans" at their home at

There are four houses for File Gumbo served with dirty

Melanie Brim is cooking ter; and jalapeno corn bread

"Mrs. Claus' Christmas Din- with honey butter. There are

roasted pork loin with harvest Frank Brechbiel's house at

dressing. There will also be 1154 Lincoln Lake NE. The

cranberry apple cider, roasted Brechbiels are serving a tapas-

red potatoes, and green bean themed menu with "wines

ner" at her house at 188 Foleys eight seats available.

for Saturday, Nov. 5, it in-aigrette.

volves enjoying dinner and

homes around Lowell. The

hosts donate the food; all

proceeds benefit the Education

Foundation, which provides

mini-grants to teachers and

students in the Lowell school

district to encourage innova-

Grade. The meal consists of

holiday appetizers, feta and

walnut salad, and honey-

tive learning projects.

this year's event.

of the Lowell Area Schools Idaho potatoes, Francis blend at the table.

Save some time for "Dinner with Friends"

The "Dinner With and dried cherries with cheese chicken satay with peanut For more information, call

Friends" event in Lowell is from Wisconsin. Rib roast dipping sauce, portobello ravi- the chamber at 897-9161

lar fundraiser. Scheduled field greens salad with vin- The event wraps up with des- Education Foundation, can

Amanda Yakes was stopped scene said excessive speed she said. was not involved.

The driver of the Chero-

"She pulled right out on

dish made of Michigan apples their Mexican counterparts), Area Chamber of Commerce.

Jim and Mari Stone are p.m. at City Hall. Dessert is payable to Lowell Education

oli and home-baked breads. Those who cannot attend

There are 12 seats available the "Dinner with Friends."

All dinners start at 6 p.m. nancially to the work of the

sert and entertainment at 8:30 send tax-deductible donations

provided by Flat River Grill; Foundation, 300 High Street,

the Lowell High School jazz Lowell, MI49331. The Educa-

band will be the entertainment. tion Foundation is a 501(c)3

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The accident smashed the front ends of both vehicles. and antifreeze puddled on the roadway. Zvirzdinis and his 12-year-old daughter were not injured in the crash. Yakes had minor scrapes on her elbow and complained of head pain; she declined transport to the hospital, saying she would seek her own medical treatment.

On Sept. 14, an accident at the same corner sent three people to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries Julie Heimer, who lives on the corner, said accidents are a persistent problem at the intersection

"We moved to this house last June, so we've been a Jeep Cherokee. The driver in the middle of the intersec- here a little over a year and of the Taurus, 19-year-old tion. Police officers at the there's been four accidents,"

North- and southbound traffic on Cumberland have stop signs. Cross traffic on Foreman does not stop. Yakes,

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but wish to contribute fi-

Dale Carnegie

TRUNK OR TREAT Impact Church is sponsoring a Trunk or Treat starting

CALL FOR AUDITIONS

The Thebes Players are seeking actors for "The Foreigner" by Larry Shue. Auditions: Nov. 1 & 2, 7 p.m. at Englehardt Library. 897-8545 or email www.lowell artscouncil.org.

LASSO tryouts Saturday, Nov. 5 at 10 a.m. at Grand River Riverfront Park in Lowell Township, Grand River Dr. Bring ball, shin guards, picture, birth cert., and water bottle. Go to lassosoccer.org. for more information

LOWELL AREA COMUNITY FUND

Annual meeting Nov. 7 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall

Community Wellness will sponsor a program on Tuesday, Nov. 8 at 9:30 a.m. Chief of police Jim Valentine will speak on info. and identification you should have with you; responding to medical emergencies that occur when driving, Call 340-7781 with ???'s.

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Chef Rein and Minnie mixed greens salad with Kansman are cooking "Go pears and fresh mozzarella, West! A Journey Across the Chardonnay poached salmon U.S.A." at 12325 36th St. in with dill cream, Spanish Lowell Township. A total of tortilla with olive tapenade six people can dine at this (actually a potato dish; Span-

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and corn casserole. Eight seats

are available at her house.

location. The journey starts ish tortillas are different from with Boston Clam Chowder, then hits the Midwest with a find your quiet community,



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NEW MUSEUM EXHIBIT

Lowell Area Historical Museum will offer a new exhibit: "Childhood Dreams - Toys from the Past" beginning Saturday, Oct. 29, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. The exhibit runs through Aug. '06.

PUMPKIN DECORATING

Kids, ages 6-12, bring your pumpkin to the Lowell post office lobby on Saturday, Oct. 29 at 1 p.m. and decorate the outside of the pumpkin. No carving! Materials, candy & prizes provided.

HAUNTED SHOWBOAT

The 2nd annual Haunted Showboat will be on Saturday. Oct. 29 from 1-5 p.m. One side kid friendly, one side scarier! Games, contests, lunch served, costumes encouraged. \$2 per person and a canned good for FROM (\$10) max per family. Call 897-8445.

at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 31. Bring your kids! Lots of fun and candy. Call 897-8304.

LASSO TRYOUTS Girls and boys, ages 7-16 are welcome to come to

IMPORTANT ID INFO

will sponsor a Musical Celebration to benefit Hospice of MI on Saturday, Nov. 12 at Deer Run Golf Club, 6-11:30 p.m. \$10 admission at door/cash bar. Live entertainment and door prizes! For more info., contact: Kim. Triplett@compuware.

By J. Lobdell Contributing Writer

and a proposed ordinance on canopies and awnings capped a light agenda for the Lowell Planning Commission at its regular meeting Monday

The commission re- Craig, of Craig Architects, ding inspector Doug Hopkins for a condominium project at spots behind it which will be ther it was clear; the com-202A West Main Street. The assigned to the residents. He mission decided that present project would have commer- also has a three-year lease on wording was fine. cial use on the ground floor 10 spots at the neighboring (currently a clothing store) with residential use on the second and third floors.

City manager David Pasquale said the project plans at a special meeting awnings be at least eight feet

one floor, and that residential request use meets all the requirements of the city's R-3 residential requirements.

said the building has seven discussed wording and whe-

fell within the guideline re- Oct. 10, the planning com- from the ground from its lo- in compliance, the planning windows without limitations A condominium project residential and commercial on the special use permit and several awnings, some of uses cannot be combined on unanimously approved the which would be considered

Discussions then turned toward a proposed ordinance for canopies and awnings. As for parking, Richard Chair Clark Jahnke and buil-

Commission member Shell station, where business Mark Mundt raised a concern those awnings were changed as well as the sign ordinance, owners would have to seek a be placed around doors or for Nov. 28. Having reviewed the require that the canopies and

quirements which state that mission had little discussion west point. After measuring commission opted to change of quantities. Height is to be the height to seven feet. marquees because of signage

care of the majority of people walking the streets," Hopkins on them, Mundt said he had a hard time finding any that meet

ce, which was sent to the city attorney to be drafted into final form, would allow existing awnings would be C-2 central business and C-3 10 feet high. general business, and public

at least seven feet from the "Seven feet would take lowest point of the awning and not to project more than five feet from the building.

A canopy or awning The proposed ordinan- above installed equipment is allowed without signage as long as it does not extend more than one foot on either side of canopies or awnings in the the equipment and is at least Hopkins said that any C-1 neighborhood business, seven feet but not more than

The commission will facilities districts would be review the ordinance in final owners and employees can that the proposed ordinance, or replaced, the business allowed without signage to form at its next meeting set

Sidewalk money comes from next year's grant funds

J. Lobdell Contributing Writer

After some discussion, the city of Lowell discovered it would be pulling money from next year's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) monies to pay for this year's sidewalk project.

City manager David has sidewalk projects for

Community Development De- \$69,622. partment, which oversees the distribution of federal funds, and learned that the extra taken from the city's allotment for next year. The city

Beech, Hunt, Lincoln Lake New hauling starts in Dec.

J. Lobdell Contributing Writer

city residents will need to re- to the city offices by Nov. 14 turn or use up all of the yellow for a refund. Businesses which trash bags they have.

Beginning on Dec. 5, Allied Waste will take over the city's waste hauling services. The company will use blue bags and will pick up only those bags.

Originally, the company was scheduled to take over trash services this month, but because of a delay in ordering bags due partially to the hurricanes, the switch will officially take place in Decem-Management will continue to of Lowell."

pick up the yellow bags, said city clerk Betty Morlock.

Residents with extra yellow bags need to return them sell the trash bags will not be able to exchange or refund; the same retailers will have the blue trash bags starting the first week of December.

Morlock said she hopes the extra month will provide a smooth transition for residents from one trash service

Those who partake in the yard waste services will also need to switch bags. Allied will have brown bags with ber. For November, Waste black lettering saying "the city

NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION LOWELL CHARTER **TOWNSHIP**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that at the regularly scheduled meeting of October 17, 2005, the Lowell Charter Township Board adopted Ordinance 03-2005, an amendment to the Lowell Charter Zoning Ordinance. The amending ordinance amends Section 3.1, the Zoning Map, so as to rezone the following parcels of land: 41-20-28-100-005, 41-20-28-100-008, 41-20-28-200-004 and 41-20-28-200-019 from Light Industrial to Industrial Planned Unit Development, and parcel no. 41-20-28-100-012 from AG2 to Industrial Planned Unit Development. The ordinance specifies the terms and conditions of the final development plan.

This ordinance shall become effective November 2, 2005. A copy of the complete text of the amending ordinance can be obtained at the Lowell Township offices, 2910 Alden Nash SE, during regular Township hours or by calling 897-7600.

> Linda S. Regan, Clerk **Lowell Charter Township**

Pasquale said he double and Ridgeview scheduled for monies could be used to cover checked with the Kent County this year with a cost of about the entire amount. What was

the council had moved to par allotment. amount needed to complete down the project until it was

swamped by credit card bills.

nice gifts at reasonable prices.

unknown at the time is that The amount budgeted for the money would be coming the project was \$45,799 and from the following year's

that eight-foot requirement.

businesses into failure, or

rather non-compliance?"

grandfathered in, but that if

variance. To keep businesses

Mundt asked.

"Are we heading our

Pasquale said staff would a sidewalk project would be learned last month that CDBG have come back next year for

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HOLIDAYS ARE HAPPIER

WHEN YOU CONTROL SPENDING

about your holiday shopping, but your opinion isn't shared

by the nation's retailers, many of whom are already begin-

course, you enjoy giving presents to your loved ones, but if

you go overboard with your spending, you could find yourself

- if you make the right moves. Consider the following sug-

you start at the holiday season? Because setting a budget, and

sticking to it, can be your best debt-busting friend. So, before

you begin shopping, determine how much you can realistically

afford to spend. Once you've established some self-imposed

· Make a list - and check it twice. You may not have the

You might think that it's a bit too early to start thinking

the rest of the money to do the project. This way it will be completed all at once, which future funds. the council agreed to in a 3 to I vote. Mayor protem Charles the proposal down to the Myers was absent.

Opposing was council-

did not like the city spending

"I think we should shrink money that we've got," he

makes your final list. If you're trying to save money, you needn't feel obligated to go beyond your immediate family and friends. While you might really like to give gifts to everyone in your life, it just may not be practical.

 You'd better shop around. There's never been a better time to be a "comparison shopper." With added competition from discount stores, many merchants are making concerted efforts to keep their prices down. And you have the vast expanses of the Internet to help compare prices on similar items. Here's a hint, though: To be a really smart shopper, you'll want to start

Hit the sales. As you know, many retailers have big "after-holiday" sales to boost business during January, typically a slow month. Why not take advantage of these markdowns to buy presents for next year? By "stockpiling" gifts, you may ning to inundate you with catalogues and advertisements. Of be able to significantly reduce your holiday budget for 2006. Save throughout the year

Once the holiday shopping season is over, you may want to start saving for next year's gifts. By putting away even a Can you avoid the "debt trap" and still be generous? Yes modest amount of money each month, you'll have several hundred dollars built up when the holidays roll around again. If you're like most people, however, you might find it hard Set a budget. Let's face it: Budgeting is boring. You to spare even \$50 a month or so for a holiday gift fund. After probably don't do it during most of the year, so why should all, you have plenty of other bills and expenses in your life to deal with. And that's why you should "pay yourself first" by having the funds taken automatically from your checking or savings account and placed in investment account. You may only earn a modest interest rate, but you'll be removing these limits, you'll be surprised at how creative you can be in finding dollars from your normal channels of spending.

"De-stress" yourself

By following these basic suggestions, you can take a lot luxury of basing your gift decisions upon who has been naughty of the stress out of the holiday season - and that may be the or nice this past year, but you do have some control over who nicest gift you can give to yourself.

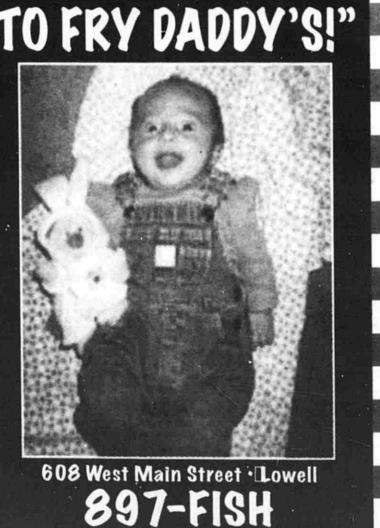
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Viewpoint-

To The Editor

Dear Editor.

I am writing this letter to loudly protest the elimination of WKAR from our local cable service. One public broadcasting station out of 50 channels is simply not enough; the quality of programming exemplified by public broadcasting is far and above main stream cable television. Lowell has worked hard and long to set character standards for our schools and our community. By eliminating WKAR we reduce the opportunity to view many different programs on public television that help us to better interpret the world around us and understand the values we have set as goals for our community. How many other stations provide a picture of the world's people, culture, religion and values rather than media propaganda, wars, violence and unacceptable moral values shown in time slots targeted to our youth?

The Lowell Cable Board sent a letter to its customers on Oct. 5 stating that because there is a large duplication of programming with WGVU, WKAR will be dropped from Lowell's municipally owned cable television. But, in fact, there are many programs on WKAR that are not available on WGVU. A few examples include The Wall Street Journal Report; High School Quiz Bowl; Wall Street Week In Review and the BBC Nightly News. Every Saturday and Sunday the programming of each station is very different and unique. The thought provoking and mentally stimulating programming provided by each station is what our Cable Board should be working to provide for our community, rather than reducing it.

If duplication of programming is the Cable Board's rationale for the elimination of WKAR, there are other examples of programming duplication to be considered: we now have two ABC outlets; we have three all news channels that at any time of day are repeating the same sensationalized news stories over and over; we have four religious channels offering similar programming and three of the four use our Community Cable Service to solicit donations.

By no stretch of the imagination can the elimination of WKAR possibly "enhance" our basic cable service. Do we as members of our community want more programming that contains material that counters what we as a community have set as standards for our own best interest? role of the board be to provide thoughtful, stimulating and educationally minded Community cable service?

My hope is that the Board reconsiders its decision. Many of us as citizens and parents wonder what it is that we can do to help our community. Perhaps insisting that we have access to additional quality programming is such an act. There are many small and seemingly insignificant pieces when a jar is broken but they are key to making it whole. If the Cable Board cannot collectively change its mind, then certainly the Board will give a detailed, written explanation why WKARA is, in the community's best interest, the station to be dropped.

With respect, James Blodgett

This letter is to clarify issues in the article "Outstanding debt holding up lease agreement for wireless company."

AirWave Computer Services is not being sold to All-In-One Wireless ... only the Wireless Internet Service portion of AirWave is being sold. AirWave will continue to provide computer service to the West Michigan area.

There has never been an agreement of any kind between Club. the city and Airwave regarding the equipment at the city-owned tower on Shepard Dr., despite several attempts by AirWave to negotiate one. The only agreement was between the city and WIFnet, Inc., which expired on Oct. 5, 2003.

WIFnet, Inc., ceased operations that same month, owing the city a balance of \$2,525 for 10 months of rent. After which, AirWave acquired WIFnet's assets and made several attempts to negotiate an agreement with the city for the equipment at the tower. However, each time AirWave approaches the city, they bring up the past debt of WIFnet, Inc., which AirWave and I have no legal obligation to pay.

The offer made by All-In-One Wireless is very generous since they are offering to pay for two years of service (\$1,920), and receive only one year's credit on the lease. In other words, the city will be receiving \$960 to forgive the uncollectible debt of \$2,525, owed by WIFnet, Inc.

On a more personal note, the Lowell area is a great place to live and I am very hopeful that the city, AirWave and All-in-One can work through this so that the residents of the Lowell area can have a local customer service-oriented choice for High-Speed Internet.

David Yomtoob,

president AirWave Computer Services, LLC



U.P. DEER CAMP

Southern Michigan has more deer than the northern Lower or Upper Peninsula. In spite of aggressive herd reduction measures, the deer are holding their own in the farmland and suburbs. Hunting in this region is done primarily with shotgun, muzzleloader, and bow because of the dense human population. Most of the deer reside on private property consisting of the remaining farms and small parcels scattered throughout developed areas. Deer hunting is excellent for those who have the good fortune of owning or gaining access to the private ground.

There are state game areas which provide good habitat for deer and other wildlife. The state land is hunted hard, however, and generally crowded but does produce for those who hunt smart and persevere.

The northern Lower Peninsula has more state land and, in addition, has national forest land. There are more places to hunt, although the deer numbers are lower than down state because the food sources are more limited.

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you in advance for your cooperation.

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The Upper Peninsula has thousands of acres of federal and state forests, plus large corporate holdings which are generally open for recreational use by the public. Deer numbers cycle greatly depending on the severity of winter weather. Deer are tough animals, but if cold temperatures and deep snow or ice persist into late spring, substantial losses do occur.

We recently bow hunted Menominee County in the Upper Peninsula where, according to experienced hunters and forest service staff, deer numbers are down. The spring of '04 was late and a large percentage of the fawn crop was lost. Before that disaster, special early and late antlerless hunts, private land antlerless permits, and normal winter kill substantially reduced the herd size in the county.

The remaining deer are survivors of all this adversity and are strong beautiful animals. In the near future, barring a catastrophic winter, the herd should cycle back up because the habitat is regenerating and will provide sufficient browse for the smaller herd.

There is something special about deer hunting in remote sections of the Upper Peninsula. The vast swamps, hardwood ridges ablaze with fall color, and stands of deep green conifers enhance the hunting experience. We visited a couple of deer camps in the area. The groups consisted of fathers, sons, brothers, uncles and friends. Spending time in a deer camp deep in the woods with friends and family is a tradition that hopefully will not be lost in our fast moving, high tech world. Telling tales around a glowing campfire in the evening and the excitement of sitting in total darkness waiting for dawn to slowly reveal the adventures of a new day are as good as it gets.

Ledger Entries

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125 YEARS THE WEEKLY JOURNAL **OCTOBER 27, 1880**

Young men are urged to join the First Voters Republican

Frank Hodges, who is a clerk in the Washington Pension

Dept., came home to vote. The editor repeatedly urges readers to vote for all the Republicans; he is not as kind to Democrats and Greenbackers.

The Great Lakes gale of Saturday and Sunday is judged as disastrous as last November's record-breaking storm: many ships sunk or washed ashore.

100 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER **OCTOBER 26, 1905**

Janitor Chauncey Townsend keeps the 1860 Central School building in fine repair, and the grounds like a park.

"Homemade mince pies 10¢ each next Saturday only Smith's Bakery.'

There will be a Halloween Social at the Fox's Corner schoolhouse Oct. 31 evening, admission 10¢.

I.A. Aldrich of Pratt Lake sold his 16 April lambs for

Thieves who stole and killed five chickens from A.D. Oliver's coop Monday night were soon caught by Deputy Sheriff Jacobi: he followed the trail of blood from wringing

75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER AND THE ALTO SOLO OCTOBER 23, 1930

Snow and cold winds last Friday should yield to Indian Summer yet.

A ship on the bottom of Lake Superior near Isle Royale is believed to be the Kamloops, foundered in a storm of December People complain that there's nothing on the radio but political speeches; elections come in two weeks.

Sam Myers and John Wright Jr. captain the Odd Fellows' teams for the annual rabbit hunt. Losers cook and serve the Existing township health units will work with the proposed Kent County Health Department approved by commissioners.

50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER OCTOBER 27, 1955

Anna Mae Roth and her senior play cast for "Too Young, Too Old" are pictured on page 1. Bids are let for the new grade school, for a total \$312,000; the bond issue is for \$250,000. Funds will come "from other sources."

Polio vaccine is available for children ages five through nine. More should be available for older children and pregnant women soon. Two houses were badly damaged by fire in Segwun and Vergennes Township this week. Gov. G. Mennen Williams calls a special fall session of the legislature to deal with traffic deaths, due to pass 2000 this year.

25 YEARS THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER

OCTOBER 22, 1980 Councilman David Carter resigns his position to go to Newaygo as city manager.

State tax proposals A, C and D make a page of fine print; there will be meetings to explain them. Garbut Graham has painted at least 10 businesses in the

past few months. He's currently at work on Bristol's Body There are 53 Americans taken hostage in Iran last Nov.

ledger@lowellbuyersguide.com. Letters must be signed and please include a phone number. Editing may Amway Corp. has an exhibit at world headquarters in Ada be necessary for space, clarity and to avoid obscenity, libel or invasion of privacy. The Lowell Ledger thanks to celebrate its 21-year history. David O. Sims, pastor First Baptist Church

THE BETTER LIFE

This month we have been thinking about some of the ways that God beats out all the commercialized improvement offers that have left us disappointed. Time after time, level upon level, over and over, God asserts that He has a way to live that's better than doing life on our own limited, frustrated and sin-touched terms. In fact, He offers the ultimate extreme terested in looks if the roots aren't right. He's not impressed "transformed" in English ... a change that works from within. (Galatians 5:22) (see also 2 Cor. 3:18)

As we share our last thoughts on this subject this month, we come to another of God's improvement ingredients-LOVE. Oh, I know the Beatles sang it too ... "all you need is love ..."

OAKWOOD CEMETERY FALL CLEANUP NOTICE

The annual cleanup of the Oakwood Cemetery will be the week of: OCTOBER 31 **THROUGH NOVEMBER 4, 2005**

Please remove all arrangements, baskets, etc., you wish to keep by: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2005



Betty R. Morlock City Clerk

Others have crooned, "What the world needs now, is love, sweet promises for the future. But love is best because it will be part love ..." But when God tells us in 1 Corinthians 12:31 that of God-blessed living forever. He has a BETTER or more excellent way to live and it's with love, He's not talking about sentimental feelings or romantic be summed up in Father-God's terms, "Did you love my Son, trysts. We don't live better simply by having more abilities or Jesus?" (John 21:15-17; Eph. 6:24) And then everything we owning remarkable appearances. Life rather takes on a deep do can be tested by love: Ask, "Will this show Jesus I love quality and value by living outside of our selves ... in a self- him?" Then ask, "Will this show others I love Jesus?" (1 giving and sacrificing mode of God-like love. His love is not John 4:7-5:2) May we find the joy of God's BETTER life based on emotions, but on a settled commitment to do what is right on our behalf. "God loved the world in this way - He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him, will not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16) It isn't that God felt so good about us that He came, no! But instead, "God demonstrated His love in this: while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8) We were a mess; He loved us enough to provide a soul-makeover. He did the right thing while we were still un-right - that's true love.

In a world enveloped in the politics of retaliation; in a makeover - one produced from the inside out! He's not in-society enmeshed in the culture of self-centeredness, God says life is BETTER with LOVE. We need love! And notice with appearances when the heart isn't right. So He goes to the in 1 Corinthians 13 how and why love improves living. First, heart of our matter ... our heart. The Bible actually describes LOVE IS the heart of lasting service. Investing our energy His improvement formula with the science term we learned in in doing good works is meaningful only if it is motivated biology when we studied Lepidoptera, butterflies - metamor- by love. Otherwise, life is wooden and harsh and artificial. phosis. In Romans 12:1-2 it is the word used that we read as True love comes only from God, a fruit of His Holy Spirit.

Second, LOVE quenches the sparks of friction. Involvement with people, helping, assisting, etc., are all risky behaviors, for we can all rub others the wrong way, both on purpose and unconsciously. But it's better with love, because true love chooses to be patient, is not rude and suffers long-term.

Third, LOVE constructs a positive legacy, for it avoids envy and pride and boasting. People will recall you with fondness and high regard.

Fourth, LOVE airbrushes the faces of failure. Everyone miss-steps and we all stumble, goof up, wrong others, both knowingly and unawares. But life is better with love, for true love does the right thing ... it keeps no record of wrongs, bears with all things, keeps believing and hoping and enduring.

Finally, LOVE IS the only virtue that endures. Faith is great, but is necessary only while what we trust in is unseen. Hope is wonderful, but is essential only while relying on

Life in the end, when we boil it down to utter basics, can - it's a great adventure! I mean, where else can we find this satisfaction: "Anyone in Christ is a new creature, old things have passed away, behold, all things have become NEW." (2 Cor. 5:17) Wow, metamorphosis indeed!



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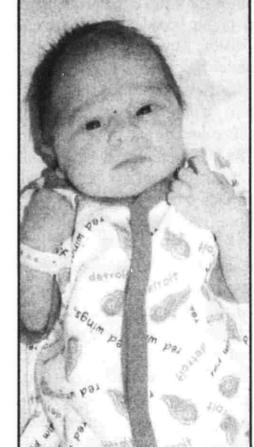
daughter, Katie Michele.

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By Barbara Pietrangelo Prudential Financial Planner

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while some forms of life insurance can be cost prohibitive to certain segments of the population, there are other types of coverage that fit very popular? well within the budgetary restraints of many Americans.

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of basic training, Plummer

received instruction in drill

During the nine weeks

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initial, lower premium makes back. term insurance an attractive affordable solution to a temporary life insurance need.

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help protect them from the financial calamity that could ensue following a sudden, unexpected death.

Say, for example, you

(clearly a modest estimate pass away within the 10-year by today's standards). By insurance available (Bankrate. beyond the end of the term, the policy, you are, in effect, helping to guarantee that your youngster will get that higher insurance, and why is it so purchase term coverage when meet an untimely demise. Or cant protection at affordable sured that your family will

Despite the appeal of Conversely, as one gets older, aren't for everyone. With a the cost of term insurance term policy, you can never becomes increasingly more "lock in" the entitlement to continue coverage, no matter It's important to note that how old you become. The term policies often come with renewal of term policies can guaranteed premium periods, be denied by the issuing commeaning the premiums are panies based on the insured's assured to remain at a certain age, health, etc. Plus, term price for a specified period insurance doesn't generate of time. Once that premium cash-value or offer the tax OCT. 27: George Cook, Tim Owen, Patti Brenk, Suzanne guarantee period is over, the benefits that permanent poliinsured can renew the policy cies can. Term policies offer annually, but at a potentially death benefits only-once the higher premium. However, the term is up, you get no money

But the financial allure option for people seeking an of term insurance remains strong. Term coverage is Al simply less expensive for most Jr., Jared Spencer, Jeremy individuals than its permanent Drake counterpart. So as you can Young parents. New ho- see, term coverage can be an ideal-and economical-solution to a number of life insur-

With Drs. Paul Gauthier Wayne A. Christenson III.

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CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING

Carbon monoxide is a colorless, odorless, poisonous gas that's produced by the incomplete combustion of solid, liquid and gaseous fuels. Appliances and engines that run on natural gas, liquefied petroleum (LP) gas, oil, kerosene, coal or wood Because most people education, even if you should may produce carbon monoxide.

Each year, hundreds of people die from carbon monoxide they are young, the premiums say, for instance, you have produced from their household furnaces, ranges, water heat-Simply put, term insurare relatively inexpensive. a \$250,000 home mortgage ers, and space heaters. Thousands more are treated each year ance is protection for a specific This makes term coverage to repay. By taking out a in the emergency room for accidental poisonings. The initial period of time-typically five, especially appropriate for \$250,000 term policy that symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning are similar to the 10, 20 or even 30 years. Over young parents and business covers the mortgage period, flu (but without the fever). They include: headache, fatigue, rest more as- shortness of breath, nausea and dizziness.

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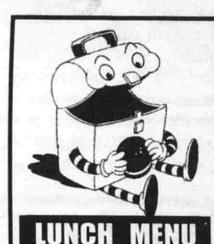
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At this hearing, the Department of Natural Resources will gather information from the public concerning possible problems on the waters of Flat River in Vergennes Township, Kent County.

Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the meeting should contact the Township Clerk at 616-897-5671, a week in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

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is not only excellent in the and in the media center at classroom, but has been Cherry Creek. instrumental in organizing a service learning project husband Darryl Highway involving a brick walkway enjoy fishing, golfing and at the school which Murray camping Lake staff and students have been working on.

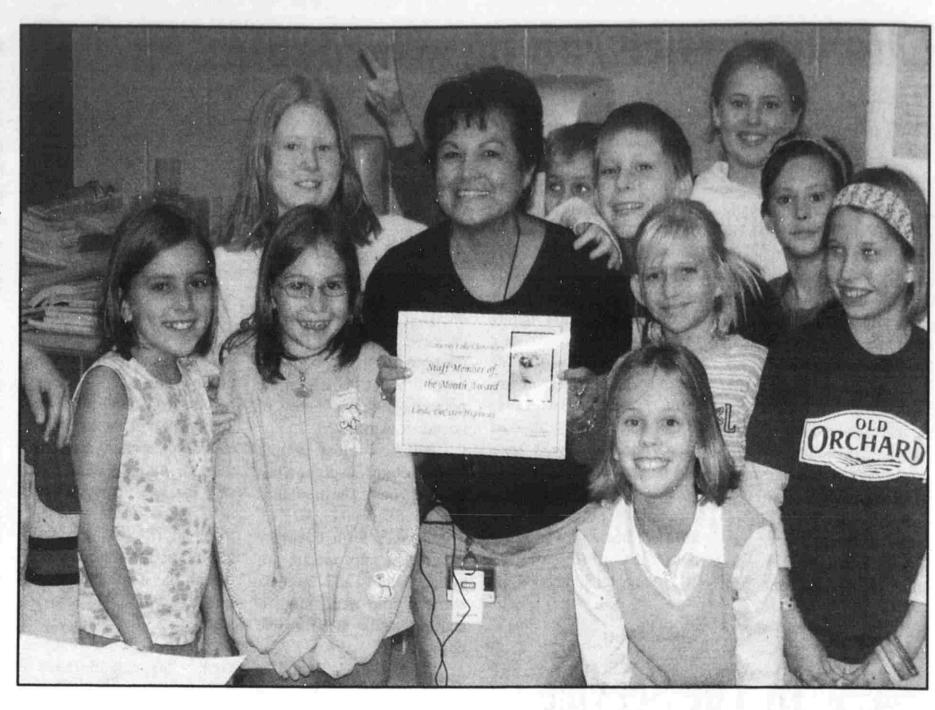
classroom is an ongoing in their learning. She is very project that will give all of us hands on with her teaching something to be proud of as and is very deserving of this we plan, plant and maintain recognition," said Murray this area," said DeCator.

DeCator, the mother of Noskey.

Fellow staff members two grown children, has been nominated Linda DeCator- teaching in Lowell for 28 Highway as Murray Lake years. She is also a licensed staff member of the month taxidermist with many of her animals on display at the Staff agree DeCator Wittenbach/Wege Center

DeCator and

"Linda is a great teacher. She knows her "Our outdoor gardens/ stuff, and gets kids involved Lake principal Brent



Tips for slashing those soaring heating bills yet to come

Hurricanes Katrina and Rita will hit homeowners everywhere in the wallet this winter. The storms have caused real damage and disruption to the natural gas industry, adding to stains already caused by rising demand. Natural gas prices are now at a record high and the Department of Energy states they will keep going up as Authorities recommend havthe cold weather descends

Natural gas prices are expected to rise a whopping 71 percent more this winter compared to last year. In other words, a \$500 to \$800 jump in annual home and water heating bills for most homeowners and over \$1,000 for many.

To reduce how much you

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use, here are seven tips from the Comfort Institute to make your home an energy sipper instead of a gas guzzler.

1. Have your duct system tested for air leaks. According to a recent research by the Dept. of Energy (DOE), gaps, ioints and disconnections in the typical home's duct system are much more significant. ing a heating contractor test for leaks and then seal them with abrushed-on-fiber-reinforced

2. Ask your contractor to perform an Infiltrometer "blower door" test. The blower door is a computerized instrument which pinpoints where your home's worst air leaks are and measures how leaky

the overall house is. Most homes have the equivalent of an open window in combined

3. Close your fireplace damper. Shut it now or waste recious warm air all winter

4. Replace your furnace or heat pump air filter. Most systems need this done every month to ensure safe and ef-5. Have your heating

system cleaned and tuned. A pre-season tune up reduces the chances of breakdowns on cold winter nights, improves safety and more than pays for itself through more energy efficient operation. Also have a complete carbon monoxide safety check completed.

6. Install a program- every dollar you pay for fuel. A mable set-back thermostat. new system is safe, improved Turn down your thermostat comfort is more dependable eight degrees for eight hours and creates less air pollua day and you'll save eight percent on home heating before talking to contractors. costs. But you don't have to sacrifice comfort. Have

your heating contractor

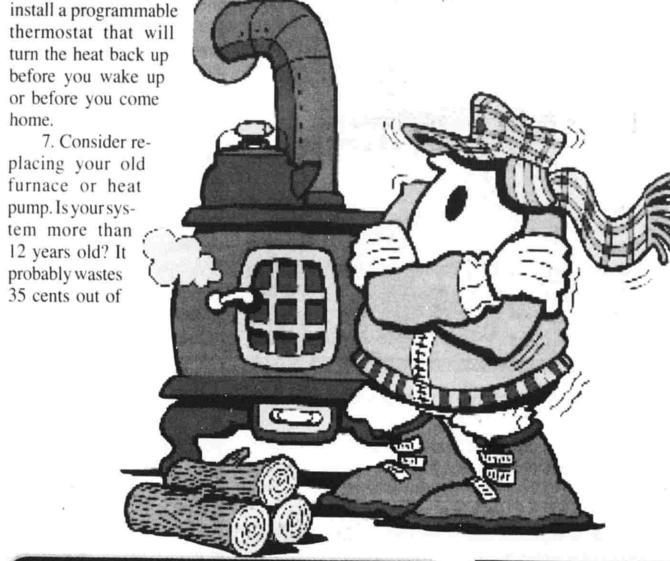
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35 cents out of

tion. But do some homework Research has found that over 90 percent of newly installed

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Annexation, continued ... From Page 1

commission's decision will be that bad, it's business," sour relations between the Wittenbach said.

favor of annexation.

SCALE: 1" = 200'±

"I don't think it will

Developer Rob Munger makes some final points in

Site Location

VERGENNES ST

township and the developer work with him just like if development plans before on a go-forward

Munger

to procure city services, particularly sewer, for his eventual development on the property. Sewer service was

particularly complex issue. The property lies in Vergennes Township, the sewer line running through it Lowell owns the wastewater treatment plant.

But the question of who would get zoning authority for the property is what pushed the decision into the hands of the state commission.

annexation in October 2004.

LINCOLN LAKE AVE. -

sought annexation as a means

is owned by Lowell Charter Township, and the city of

and Vergennes Township supervisor Tim Wittenbach listen as the state boundary standpoint, the major bone of contention is the zoning commission discusses the annexation proposal. authority," Lowell city at the hearing.

Munger petitioned the Lowell City Hall. boundary commission for

manager Dave Pasquale said The commission held a township will be so much offer the other side input The township and the city were given the

Lowell city manager Dave Pasquale (from left), Lowell mayor Jeanne Shores,

opportunity to negotiate

would have allowed

development to get

development.

One of the primary reasons

behind the township's claim

peninsula into the township.

And, though the property

is technically contiguous

with the city bounderies, it

It would require the city and township to agree on a number of issues pertaining to the property, such as how would decide the annexation keep the zoning rights." to divide up the millage revenue from the eventual issue. During that period of an agreement, however. The city felt it should have was providing the services.

to the zoning authority was that the property is basically a

is isolated from the city of Lowell proper.

public hearing in March at greater than the effect on the into the zoning process. So city," Vergennes Township's an impasse was declared, lawyer, Sue Conway, said at and the fate of the property The city's zoning would boundary commission.

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have allowed higher density than Vergennes' R-1, which allows one house per acre.

they came to an agreement on the length of the 425

second meeting," Lowell mayor Jeanne Shores told the boundary commission.

zoning authority question. Both sides did, however,

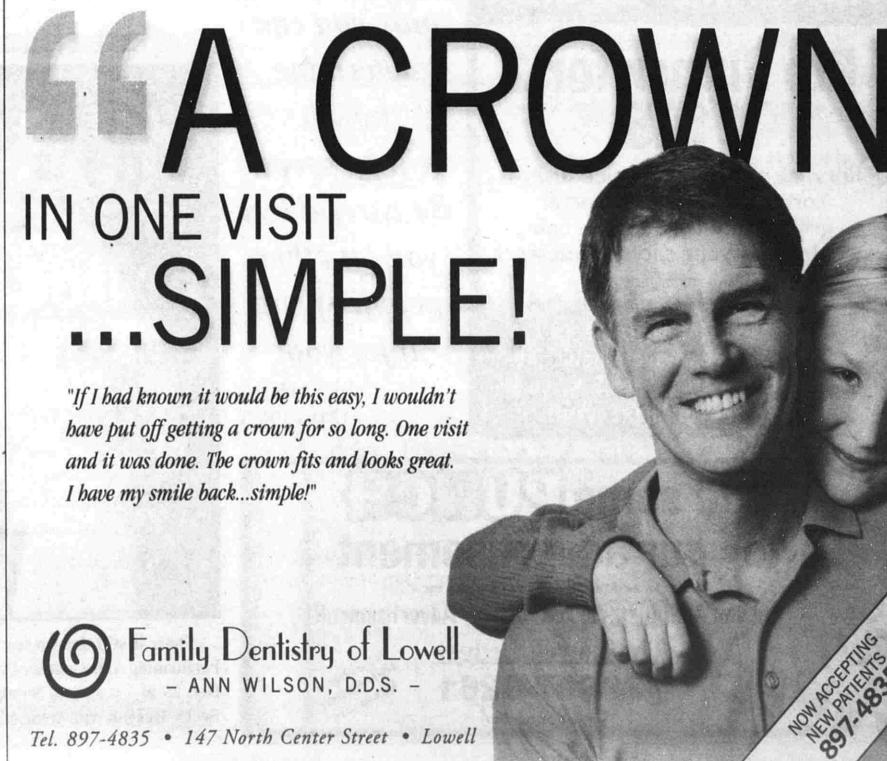
was left in the hands of the

"I was disappointed," Pasquale said of the decision. "I don't really think the services without annexation. At a September hearing, boundary commission the boundary commission understood the realities of gave the city and township the sewer and if the city is another month to work out going to provide the sewer a 425 agreement before it capacity. I think we should

> Pasquale went on to time, representatives from emphasize that it was not the both municipalities met city, but the developer, who twice. At the first meeting, sought the annexation in the

commission's agreement (35 years) and denial of the annexation a sharing plan for millage petition does not prevent Munger from developing "I was very hopeful the property. The townships after the first meeting, and city will have to come up with an agreement, however, if the development is going to have sewer.

"This does not preclude In the second meeting, the further discussion of the neither side could come 425 agreement," Verberg up with a solution to the said. "It just takes the hammer off."



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New business caters to local scrappers

By Dan Schneider

Scrapbooking is growing in popularity as a hobby, veterans. They almost to the point of being their employees, subculture, and for those scrapbooking hobbyists, who like nothing better than are on hand during crops a good "crop," there's a new and regular store hours to store in Lowell.

"Crop" is scrapbooking advanced scrapbookers. ingo for a group get-together pictures onto scrapbook of scrapbooking supplies. Central has been open in basic materials like paper order just about anything and a wide variety of pages scrapbooking materials. and accessories for pasting

gather during open hours to people visualize, having said scrap. Scrapbook Central everything coordinated, and Friday nights from 6 p.m. new products." to midnight. The cost is \$10 and includes a light dinner. chose Lowell as The shop also hosts daytime location, for one thing

The shop's owners, wouldn't have to travel to Charlene Yeiter and her get supplies.

"We thought we needed daughter Tara Eversman, are both 15-year scrapbooking something closer and we thought this would be a good location for Ionia, Belding Lakewood area," We want to make sure

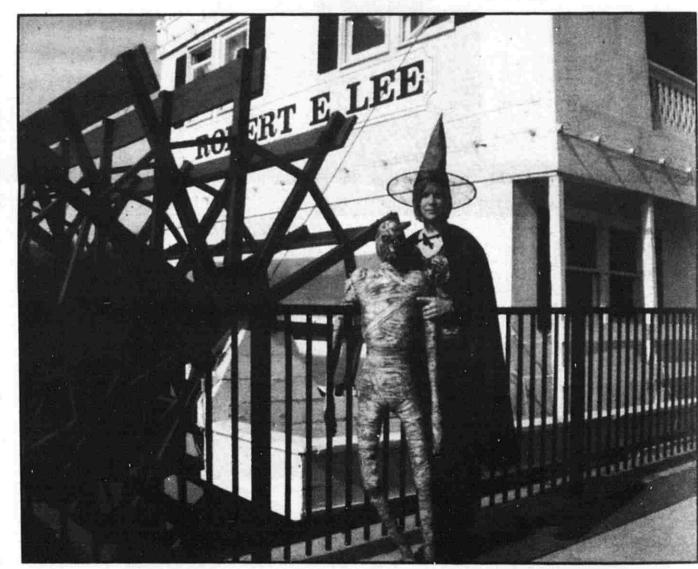
we have the supplies here give advice for novice to that people want so they The rest of the store is don't have to go to Grand for the purpose of putting devoted to the retail sale Rapids," Yeiter said.

The shop is still building pages. CT's Scrapbook These run the gamut from up its inventory, but they can Lowell since Aug. 20. The and glue to fully put-together related to scrapbooks. place has ample room for layouts. Several companies They're adapting the store scrapbooking to take place, offer lines of coordinating as they learn more about people's scrapbooking tastes "They've done the in the Lowell area.

"Of course, football creativity for you so all you Part of the store has have to do is put your pictures and cheerleading are very tables where patrons can in," Eversman said. "It helps popular here," Eversman

She said a lot of people also hosts weekly crops we try to keep up with the have already been coming in to make scrapbooks for Eversman and Yeiter seniors who will graduate in

Scrapbook Central, crops every third Saturday because Eversman lives located at 1335 W. Main St., and scrapbooking birthday here, and for another, so is open Tuesday - Saturday scrapbookers in this area from 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.



Last chance for play this weekend



There is still time to see "The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe" at the Lowell Performing Arts Center at the high school. Performances are scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 29 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 30 at 2:30 p.m. Pictured is vocal music director Becky Reagan with some of the followers of Aslan.

A bridge to the past

Lowell - Hastings rail was once part of the thriving Pere Marqueet line

By Dan Schneider

it in big chunks, and rust bridge connected the Lowell remains of Segwun. blending it back into its and Hastings Railroad to natural forest surrounding, downtown Lowell for the a mild reception when Merritt B. Scharnweber Rapids, Belding and Saginaw of the book is available at the steel bridge across the first time. The Lowell Journal it opened. A barbecue titled "The Lowell and Railroad Company and name the Englehardt Library.

The steel bridge replaced south side of the Grand River. Milling Company bought Hastings Railroad Company change to Pere Marquette. With paint flaking off fall and winter of 1890, the street name is now all that

a wooden bridge. Built in the It was platted in the 1850s. A Wisner Brothers in 1896. 1887-1898." The book tells The story is told mostly Much of the information a more complete story of the through excerpts from the in this article was taken from railroad from its beginnings Lowell Journal and Freeport The railroad received a book by railroad historian to its purchase by the Grand Herald newspapers. A copy



This postcard showing a train crossing the bridge was postmarked Feb. 28, 1914.

Grand River is still the most of Oct. 29, 1890, reported celebration that was to be once known as the Lowell and Hastings Railroad is be a bust. and Hastings Railroad.

builder, the American Bridge are on the ground." Company of New York, is the Mackinac Bridge in New York City and, later, Chicago's Sears Tower.

In 1904, even a bridge Pere Marquette Railroad building companies into a town near monopoly under the building market.

being pushed rapidly and a

line could scarcely have its namesake towns. The

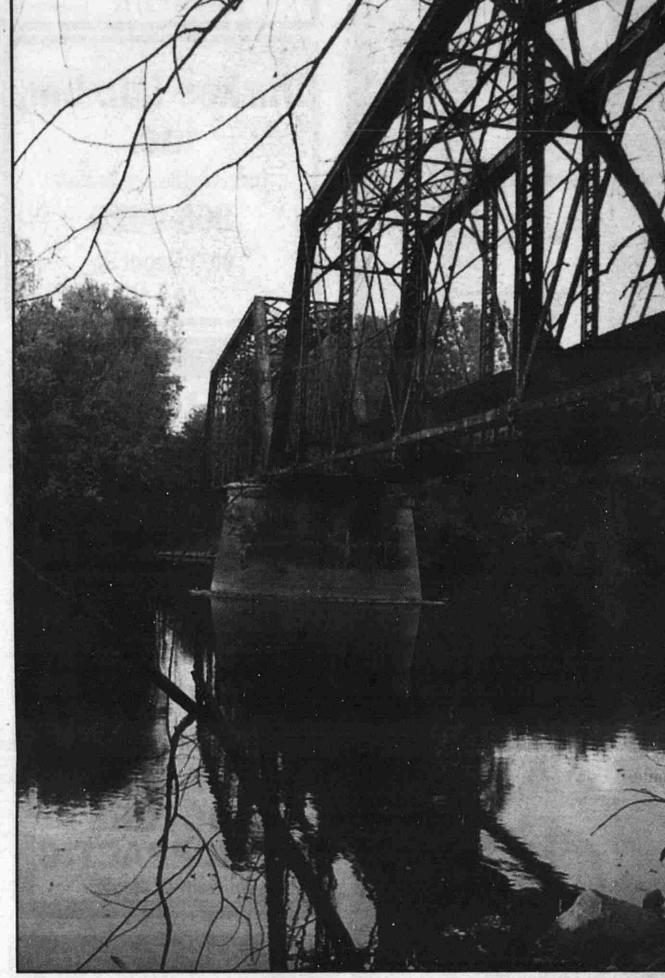
line was know as the Pere the Grand River fast. Three road, making four trips each Marquette Railroad. Its cars of timber for the bridge way, but the crowd necessary The Lowell Journal of celebration was at some Wednesday, Jan. 7, 1891, other place than Freeport. reported that the first train A few hungry individuals 1957. It was also involved had departed the Lowell from Lowell and along the in such grand constructions Depot Monday at 11:15 a.m. line walked up and down the as the Chrysler Building in The depot was located at the street looking for that roasted intersection of Washington ox, but the nearest thing to

and Front streets. In its four previous years was a lame horse in a pasture of such humble stature as of existence, the Lowell and nearby, and at last they went Lowell's Pratt truss on the Hastings Railroad had not to the hotel and bought their carried trains into either of dinners.' helped being built by the railroad never did make it to more useful to the people of American Bridge Company. Hastings, as the businessman Lowell, of which there were Four years earlier, J.P. who spearheaded the line, about 2,500 at the time, with

visible sign of what was "the extension of the Lowell held in Freeport turned out to As reported in the Lowell By the time the bridge large number of teams are Journal: "An excursion train

was built in 1904, the rail putting up the earth north of was on hand and ran over the to make a really interesting it that came to their vision

The railroad line became Morgan and Company had J.M. Boynton, had little luck the construction of the Grand consolidated 27 bridge in negotiations with that River Bridge. The bridge also had benefits for Lowell When it opened in industry, which primarily American Bridge Company December of 1887, the consisted of flour milling at and Hastings the time. A rail siding from companies commanded 90 Railroad line ran from the bridge to the Wisner percent of the U.S. bridge Freeport to Segwun. Segwun Brothers Mill was built in was a small village on the the summer of 1891. King



A side view of the railroad bridge taken from the south bank of the Grand River.

IMPORTANT PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF LOWELL UPDATE

TRASH, RECYCLING AND YARD WASTE SERVICES

As of December 5, 2005 the trash, recycling and yard waste services for the City of Lowell residents is being contracted to Allied Waste Inc., (Sunset Waste). Temporarily the trash bags will be blue and will be available for purchase by November 1 2005 and must be purchased at City Hall, 301 E. Main St., Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

If you have yellow trash bags or yard waste bags with City of Lowell printed in red, they must be used by December 2, 2005. I you have trash or leaf bags you will not use by December 2, 2005, you must return to City Hall by November 14, 2005 for a refund.

All trash and recycling will continue to follow the same scheduled pick up days. Please have your trash and recycling out by 6:00 a.m. on the morning of your pickup.

The City and Allied Waste Services apologizes to the City residents for these inconveniences and appreciate your patience during this transition period.

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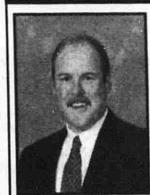
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a daily basis, said she'd had "one close call" prior to Tues-Cumberland stop signs are at the intersection.

"There should be a light fic safety. here or something," she

who uses the intersection on falls short of the county road of annual accidents occurring that have three or more accommission's requirements.

"There's definite warday's accident. She thinks the rants for four-way stops and that's not even close," said

He said the road commission puts in, on average, After the September three or four 4-way stops per

year of all the intersections said. "We do look at it."

cidents a year, and we put accidents at the intersection accidents with injuries there "We put out a list every some on a watch list," Best over the last two-month span, over the last five years.

Though there were two there have only been three

Commission director of traf Arrest, continued ... From Page 1

possession by a felon, felonious assault, a four-year However, if convicted, obstructing a police officer carrying a dangerous weapon felony. The misdemeanor Stevens would be sentenced in 1996. In 1995, he was with unlawful intent, and counts, each carrying a one- as a habitual offender. He convicted of first degree crash, residents neighboring year indeveloping areas of the carrying a concealed weapon year maximum sentence, would be eligible for three home invasion and felonious the intersection talked about county. One of the factors in without a permit. Each carries were attempting to resist and separate sentences of up to assault. He was convicted wanting a four-way stop choosing an intersection for a a maximum jail term of five obstruct a police officer and life in prison. Stevens was separately of felonious there. But the intersection four-way stop is the number years. The fourth count was possession of marijuana.

convicted of resisting and assault the same year.

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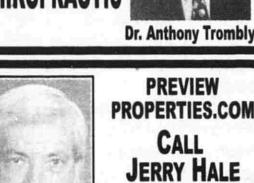
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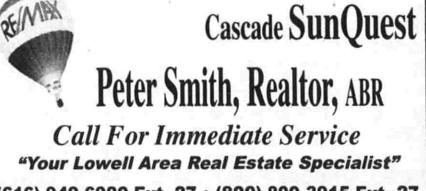
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MON.: LHS Fellowship of Christian Athletes & Friends, 7-8:30 p.m. in homes. Call 676-1355.

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MON.: Lowell Board of 897-2760 or 897-9160. Education meets 7 p.m. in Administration Building, 300 High Street.

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1ST MON.: V.F.W. Post Guild, Plainfield Senior 3RD WED.: GR area #8303, 3116 Alden Nash S.E. at 7 p.m.

2ND MON .: Bowne Township Historical Society 231-780-1249 info. meets 7:30 at historic

fice or Fallasburg, 7 p.m. All invited. Call 897-7161 for info. or location.

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3RD MON.: Lowell Showboat Garden Club meetings St., Saranac. All are welare held in the Fellowship come. Contact Bev or nancy Crisis Center, 402 Hall at the Church of the Nazarene at 7 p.m. dinner is provided.

4TH MON.: Clark-Ellis 2ND&4THTUES.: Knights a.m.-3 p.m.; Mondays: American Legion Post 152, 3100 Alden Nash S.E. at 7:30 p.m.

TUES .: Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops MI#372 Luke's Lutheran Church, p.m. 250 Cherry, Lacks meets at Key Heights Mo- 32156 4 Mile NE/ E. Cancer Center, Grand bile Home Park Community Beltline) at 7 p.m. Call Linda Rapids.

3188 meets at 1st United 6:45-8:45 p.m. G.E.M.S. tices brief; may submit by Methodist Church (as long Girls Club - Calvary Chrismail, but will accept no- as there is school), 6:30 tian Reformed Church. p.m. 1st-5th grade boys. Ages 8-13. Call 897-8694. Contact Gary Liu at (616)

5 p.m. Call Larry at at Alto United Methodist Church, corner of Kirby & Harrison meets at 5:30 p.m. Register 1 1/2 hrs. before tional Church, 404 N. meeting, 800-651-6000.

> TUES .: Flat River WED .: Tri-town Conserva-Woodcarvers meet at tion Club trap & skeet

TUES.: Women's Community Bible Study. Free 1ST WED .: GR area nursery and preschool story hour/craft time 9:45 - Bookstore, 28th St. 5:30 11:15 a.m./women only at 9:30 p.m.Rd. Robin open MON.: Women's over 30 7:15 p.m. Calvary Christian play, all levels, walk- ins Reformed Church, Call welcome, Jan 897-5759.

1ST TUES .: Diabetic Sup- Masons, Hooker Chapter port group, 9:30-10:30 a.m. #73 meets at 7:30 p.m. in Schneider Manor Commu- Belding Masonic Temple, nity Rm., 725 Bowes Rd. 211 E. Main; dinner at 6:30

1ST TUES .: Adults with AD/HD at Calvin College, 2ND WED.: Lowell 7-9 p.m. Call Gary Engle 1ST MON.: Regular com- at 897-6325 or 248-2423. Schneider Manor Commu-

sonic Lodge #355 at 7:30 Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., Look 2ND WED.: Support group Memorial Fire Station, 315 for Peripheral Neuropathy,

> of the American Sewing Center, 5255 Grand River Dr. NE. 6:30 p.m. refresh- Bookstore, Alpine NW,

museum,84th/Alden Nash. 2ND & 3RD TUES .: Qua- THURS .: Weight Watch-Ke-Zik Sportsman's Club, ers at Lowell Nazarene 3RD MON .: Fallasburg His- 11400 Foreman Rd. at 8 Church, 201 N. Washingtorical Society board p.m. 3D archery range ton St. 5:30 p.m. Register meetings at chamber of open to public daily except 1/2 hr. before the meeting Tues. evenings.

- Mothers of Preschoolers Musicians and Singers 3RD MON.: Women of the ... because mothering practice at Saranac High Moose meeting at 7:30 p.m. matters. 9:30-11:30 a.m. at School Band Rm. Choir:6-Impact Church, 1070 N. 7 p.m./band:7-8. Kathy radio repeater system.

Bowes. Dorothy 897-9794. needleart/quilting bee, 5- Center, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. 8:30 p.m., 4 Health 897-7842. Wellness Center, Bridge Melissa, 642-6466, Light

> of Columbus #7719 at St. Mary School at 7:30 p.m.

Bldg. Weigh-ins are at at 874-5662; teen group: call Sarah at 281-6588.

WED .: Rotary meets at noon at City Hall, 301 E.

WED.: 8 p.m. ALANON upstairs at 1st Congrega-Hudson St.

LAAC from 6:30-8:30 p.m. league, 5616 Dunn Rd. 6-10 p.m.Larry 754-7104.

Scrabble Club at Schuler's

2ND WED .: Kent County **1ST TUES.:** Grattan His- Youth Fair Board meeting, torical Society at O'Brien 7:30 p.m., King Memorial Room of Grattan Township Youth Center, 4-H Fair-Hall, 12050 Old Belding Rd. grounds. Call 897-6050.

> 2ND WED.: Royal Arch p.m. All Royal Arch Masons are welcome.

Women's Club, noon in nity Room, 725 Bowes Rd.

4 p.m., St. Paul's Anglican Catholic Church, Grand 2ND TUES.: G.R. Chapter Rapids. Dorothy 897-9794.

Scrabble Club at Schuler's ments/ 7 p.m. program 5:30 - 9:30 p.m.Rd. Robin Olga 616-975-9977/June open play, all levels, walkins. Jan 897-5759.

For info. 1-800-651-6000.

2ND & 4TH TUES.: MOPS THURS.: Saranac Area Maatman, 897-5981.

THURS.: St. Mary's Preg-Amity St., non-denominational help for pregnant women/adolescents.11 5:30-8 p.m. 897-9393.

1ST THURS.: Michigan 3RD TUES.: Parents of Hepatitis C Foundation children w/AD/HD at St. support meetings, 7-8:30

Middle School choir room. Call 897-1502 after 5 p.m.

1ST & 3RD THURS.: Alto Lions Club meets at Monterey Grill at 7 p.m.

2ND THURS.: N.A.R.F.E., 149 S. Hudson. 897-8545 1:30 p.m., Trinity Lutheran Church, 2700 E. Fulton.

2ND THURS.: Loyal Order of the Moose, men's meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Alto Family Tree Club at Alto Library 6:30 - 8 p.m.

2ND THURS.: Genealogy-

3RD THURS.: Rubber W. Main. 897-8565. stamping at Christian Life Center 6-9 p.m. Dawn 862-

Ladies Auxiliary, 3116 Alden Nash S.E. at 3 p.m. **3RD THURS.**: Parents

3RD THURS.: VFW #8303

Supporting Parents group, Showboat, 1-5 p.m. Franciscan Life Process Games, pumpkin/face Center. Call 897-7842. painting, lunch. Wear your costumes. Call 897-8445 3RD THURS.: LaLeche for more information.

League of Ada, Cascade Lowell 6:30 p.m. socializing; meeting 7. Support for pregnant/breastfeeding Historical Museum, 11 p.m.; also Nov. 12, 9-5 p.m. women, Ada 752-8300.

1ST & 3RD FRI.: Teen Past." MOPS support group for pregnant teens and teen moms, 9:15 - 11:30 a.m. at Impact Church, 1070 N. Lowell post office, 1 p.m. Hudson, 897-8304.

2ND & 4TH FRI .: GR area candy and prizes are pro-Scrabble Club at Meijer vided. No carving. Cafe, Knapp's Corners, 10 -3 p.m. Round Robin open SAT., OCT. 29: Grattan play, all levels, walk-ins Family, Friends & Neighwelcome. Jan 897-5759.

897-7842.

7144 Headley, Ada.

2ND SAT.: Lowell Ama-

teur Radio Club, held at

Lowell Airport, 730 Lincoln

Lake NE. 9 a.m. social time;

10 a.m. meeting, LARC

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Averill Historical Museum

of Ada, located at 7144

Headley, Hours are 1-4

p.m. or by appointment.

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bors annual craft show, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Grattan Academy High School, FRI.: Arts/Crafts volun-9481 Jordan Rd., teers, Franciscan Life Greenville. Lunch 11 a.m. Process Center, 9:30-12:30 p.m. Pat or Judy at

SUN., OCT. 30: Impact 2ND SAT.: Ada Historical Church orientation at 3 Society, 10:30 a.m. at Averill Historical Museum,

Christmas dinner. SAT., NOV. 5: LASSO tryouts at Grand River Riverfront Park, 10 a.m. Boys/girls, ages 7-16. For info: lassosoccer.org.

sity classes to start Nov. 6.

THURS., NOV. 3:

Vergennes Cooperative

Club meets at Schneider

Manor activity room at 1

p.m. Program: Trip to Do-

minican Republic by

Jeanne Shores. Food for

food bank; also reserva-

tions & money for Dec. 1

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- 1:30 p.m.; Tues. & Wed.

12-8 p.m.; Thurs. 1-5 p.m.

LOWELL AREA ARTS

COUNCIL: Tues.-Fri.: 12

- 5 p.m.; Sat., 1-4 p.m.

Monday / a.m. by appt.

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

FLAT RIVER OUT-

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THRIFT SHOP HOURS:

Wed.- Fri. 12-6 p.m.; Sat.

10 a.m.- 2 p.m. 519 E.

SAT., OCT. 29: Haunted

SAT., OCT. 29: New ex-

hibit at Lowell Area

a.m. - 4 p.m. "Childhood

SAT., OCT. 29: Pumpkin

decorating contest at

for ages 6-12. Bring

pumpkin; materials,

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artscouncil.org.

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

TUES., NOV. 8: Community Wellness program w/ Jim Valentine, 9:30 a.m. Info and ID you should always have with you.

WED., NOV. 9: Snow United Methodist Church. 3189 Snow Ave. will serve a family style turkey & dressing dinner, 5:30 p.m. Adults \$8; 5-12 \$2.

FRI., NOV. 11: Family Portraits at Impact Church, 5-9 All proceeds donated to Dreams - Toys from the Impact Bldg. fund. Call 897-8304.\$25 minimum.

> SAT., NOV. 12: Musical Celebration to benefit Hospice of Michigan at Deer Run Golf Club, \$10 admis-Contact: Kim.Triplett@compuware.com or rcinder@hom.org.

> SUN., NOV. 13: 7th annual Taste of Vegetarian at Cherry Creek, 4-6 p.m. Free event sponsored by Riverside Fellowship of Seventh-day Adventists.

-1 p.m. Dianna 691-6504. FRI., NOV. 18: Spaghetti dinner at Ionia Knights of Columbus Hall, 4-8 p.m. All proceeds benefit Nic p.m. for Dave Ramsey's Falsetta, diagnosed with a Financial Peace Univer- malignant brain tumor.

LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

897-5949

MON.: 9 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall; 10:30 a.m. Exercise Class.

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

TUES .: 9 a.m. Walk at FRI.: 9 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall; 10:30 Woodland Mall.9:30 a.m. a.m. Exercise Class.

Exercise Class.

SPECIAL EVENTS

WED., OCT. 26: Bosnia Shoppers. 12:45 p.m. Shop; 5 p.m. Chop Suey by Caroline Dadd.

10:30-12:30 p.m. Flu

Shots at Schneider

Manor; 12:45 p.m.

Frederik Meijer Gardens.

FRI., OCT. 28: 12 p.m. Birthday/Anniversary 12:45 p.m. Bingo; 1 p.m Bowling.

THURS., OCT. 27: MON., OCT. 31: 12 p.m. Halloween Pot Lunch.

Lowell wins on the road in last game before playoffs

By Dan Schneider

win a close football game.

"The adrenaline starts touchdown, going, it's a great feeling,"

play, it was second and long, the scoreboard. and Keith just put it in a great spot," said McElroy.

between the two teams.

Wildcats' intensity on the slow offensively for both Northview and their kids and field showed a lot was on the teams.

line from their perspective.

Brock Graham blocked said Lowell wide receiver the extra point attempt, big return for Lowell on Mike McElroy, who caught a but the Northview defense the ensuing kickoff. But the touchdown pass from Keith protected the lead until Arrows were in danger of not Nichol with 45 seconds left halftime. They only allowed taking advantage of it. They in the game to give Lowell a the Red Arrows a field goal had fourth down and six to 24-20 victory over Northview in the second quarter. It go on Northview's 18 yard was a 26-yard kick by Ben line. Then Nichol completed "We just had to make a Hanson that put Lowell on a pass to Torsten Boss for a

Lowell went into the It was the last of four 6-3. But it didn't take the Red next kickoff, setting up a 29touchdowns scored in the Arrows long to change that fourth quarter, split evenly situation. Nichol capped the first drive of the second half Northview, who finished with an 11-yard touchdown for the next two drives their season 4-5 overall and pass to Brad Shea. Hanson before Nichol put Lowell in fourth place in the OK had the extra point and up for good with that pass to White, was playing for a Lowell was up 10-6. The McElroy. longshot playoff spot. The remainder of the quarter was

It feels good to catch a On the third play of the game, touchdowns in the fourth well-thrown pass, especially from third down and long, quarter. Northview was the when it's in the end zone to Northview's Alex Phillips first to score on a seven-yard ran the ball 88 yards for a pass from Jared Brown to Justin Blok.

Bill Watikunas had a

Northview had a big halftime locker room trailing return of their own on the yard touchdown pass from Brown to Steve VanRees.

The teams traded punts "A lot of credit goes to



Lowell quarterback Keith Nichol drops back to pass against Northview.

going into the playoffs. It puts things in perspective: it's passing for 195 yards, time to get back to work."

players and coaches," said come," Northview coach led the rushing attack with

Lowell coach Noel Dean. Scott Robertson said of the 127 yards on 24 carries. Nichol was 14-27 favorite receiver, catching

three touchdowns and one "About as tough as they interception. Gabe Delnick

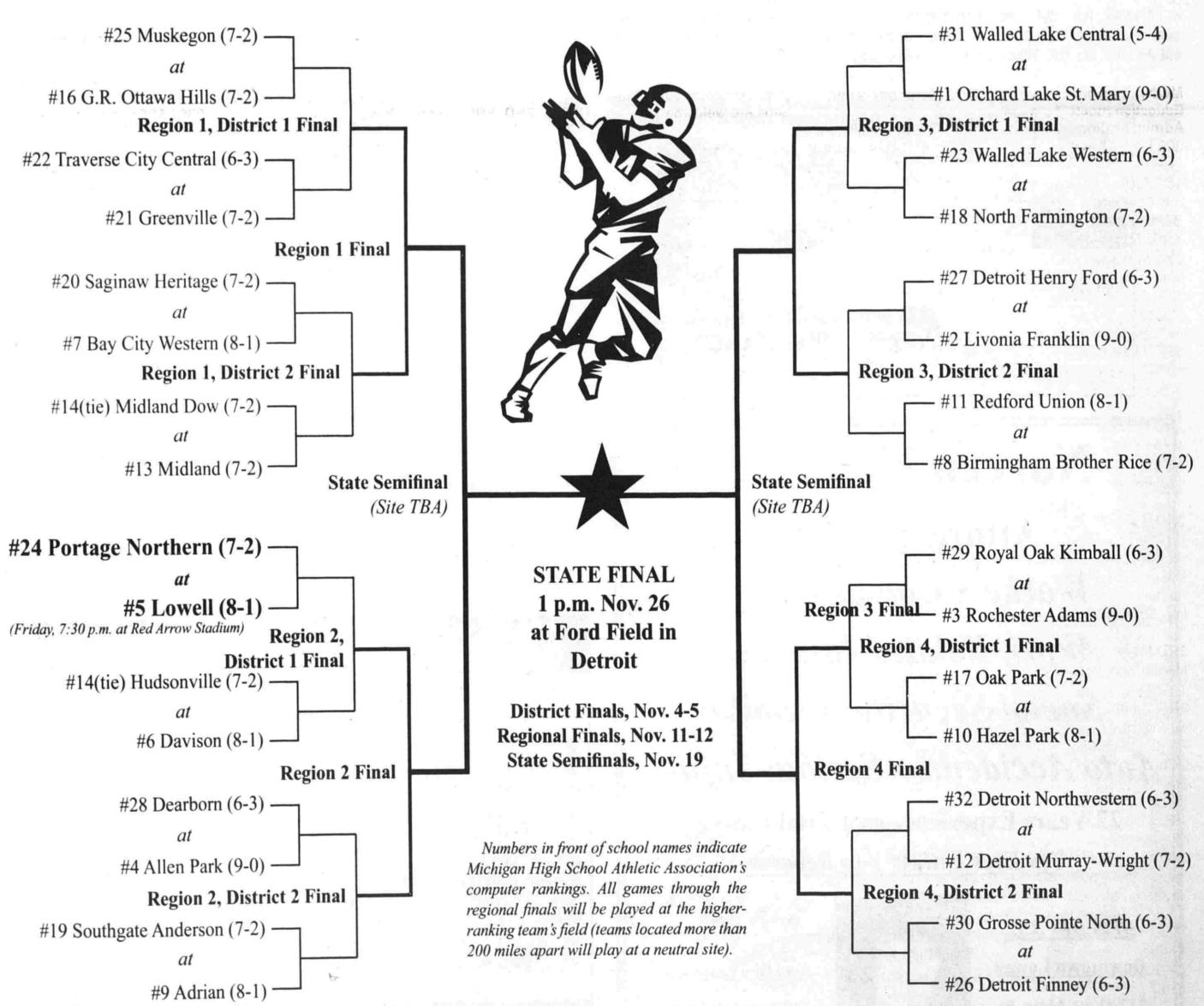
five passes for 18 yards.

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Lowell played some

2005 MHSAA Division II Football Playoffs



GO RED ARROWS!

Lowell basketball completes season sweep of Pioneers

By Dan Schneider

The 56-42 score at the end of last Thursday's Lowell victory over East game for the fourth quarter, Grand Rapids says little though for a while they let about the way the game the Pioneers constrain them went on the floor.

It was a much closer contest than that.

one quarter of play. But at one point in the final the Pioneers surged back to minutes. within one point, 21-20, by The Red Arrows halftime. East Grand Rapids listened, quickening their Lowell beat Northview 51took the lead on their first movement off the ball. And possession of the second on the next play, they broke half. Lowell outscored them through the East Grand to make the score 36-30 as Rapids press to get a threethe fourth quarter began. It on-one break. Amanda Crowley said. "We didn't took until the fourth quarter Geelhoed finished the break handle the ball well, but for Lowell to assert control with a layup. of the game.

plan the whole way; in the game coming in. She said Lowell's leading scorer with fourth quarter we missed more defensive intensity and those would have kept Lowell would have made it better further ahead earlier in the for us," East coach Steve game. Wojciechowski said. "You want to have a chance to the Lowell offense with Thursday. win the game in the fourth 17 points. Nicole Shepard

Crowley said the to score." "We executed our game Arrows expected a tough

quarter and that's what we scored 10; Brittany Bueche

and Geelhoed each scored Lowell controlled the eight. Lowell had 31 rebounds. Geelhoed led with eight off the bench. Kelsey Crowley had four of Lowell's 13 assists. to the free throw line.

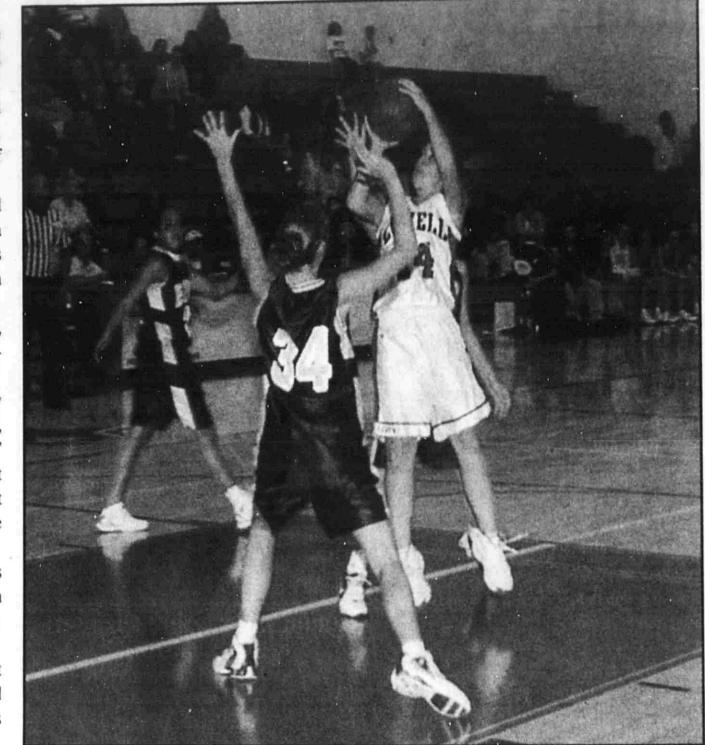
East Grand Rapids had "I don't want to get fouled," Lowell coach Dee a great game from Kendra Holman, who led all scorers Lowell led 12-6 after Crowley yelled at the team and matched the number on her jersey with 22 points.

A week ago Tuesday,

"They played us very so we had to handle that," when we did, we were able

Brittany Lyman was 14 points. Shepard scored 11 and VanEck scored 10.

The Arrows played at Greenville Tuesday and Brook VanEck led will play at Caledonia this



Lowell's Chelsea Harrison takes a shot against East Grand Rapids.

Lowell soccer beats Northview, falls short against Rangers

By Dan Schneider

Lowell fell just one championship bid to take the OK White early to win control of the Tom Sahajdack.

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matched opponents. During the Arrows from getting a Northview. the regular conference share of the conference title. season, Lowell came back to FARM BUREAU the Rangers, but fell short White renewed the Lowell

> After that performance, rivalry which, for the Northern. it looked like a new OK

Kory Anderson scored White tradition had the last three years, had been went up 1-0 in the first half's Lowell's first and only goal potential to start. In years confined to post-season and The Arrows struggled early going. The goal was by of the game in the second past, Lowell had lost its non-conference play. half, unassisted. But Joe regular-seasongames against Hoerner scored a second Unity Christian, then beaten Lowell on the winning end

Last Tuesday, it was goal for Central and it the Crusaders in conference of a 2-1 score in the OK proved to be enough for the tournament finals to share White tournament semifinal the top spot in the OK The Red Arrows regrouped, In their two contests White. This year, Lowell's this time with a home-field this season, Lowell and loss to Northview in the last advantage to beat the same Forest Hills Central showed regular conference season Wildcats that had won the themselves to be well- game would have prevented last OK White game at

Lowell beat East Grand In any case, the Rapids 2-1 Monday in the force two overtimes against reconfiguration of the OK district opener. The district semifinal is Wednesday and Forest Hills Central at 7 p.m. at Forest Hills

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Cross country teams place fifth at conference meet

Lowell hosts OK White meet

By Dan Schneider

Both Lowell cross country teams finished fifth in last Friday's OK White conference meet.

The Red Arrows hosted the meet at the Lowell High School course.

Justin Boss led the way for the Lowell boys team, finishing 17th in a time of 17:54. Mike Schumm came in 23rd in 18:12.1 followed by Keaton Dilly in 26th place in a time of 18:12.4. Andy Mark finished 26th with a time of 18:17. Kyle Ingebretson was Lowell's fifth runner, coming in 31st place with a tie of 18:25.

Simon Nyang of Forest Hills Northern finished first in the race. The Huskies were the top team at the meet with a score of 31. Lowell (121) finished behind Greenville (105) and ahead of Forest Hills Central (127).

Lowell girls scored 119 points and also finished behind Greenville (106) and ahead of Forest Hills Central

Lowell's Kyle Ingebretson sprints toward the finish line

team in the girls race.

(132). Forest Hills Northern Lowell with a time of 20:33 21:17 to finish 23rd in the

Monica Fitzpatrick led Erin Beddows ran a time of Katie Riddle rounded out 22:18.

(34) was also the winning and a 13th place finish. Karen race. Britney Dietz came in Lowell's top five, finishing Judd finished 20th in 21:04. 10th with a time of 21:56. in 33rd place with a time of compete Saturday in the

Both Lowell teams regional meet at Jackson.



Monica Fitzpatrick was the top finisher for Lowell in the OK White conference meet at Lowell High School.

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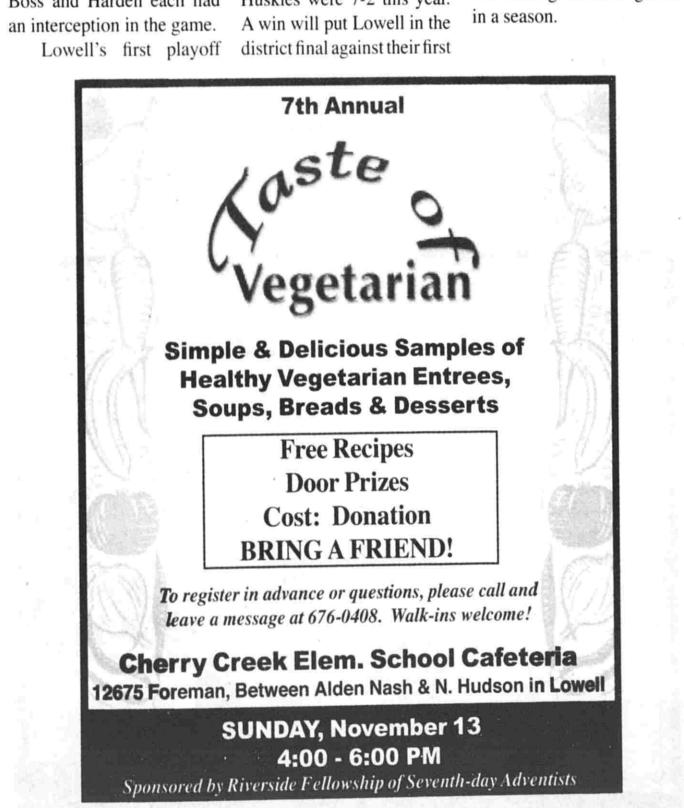
game. Seven players had six at 7:30 p.m. at Red Arrow or more tackles. McElroy, Stadium. The gates open at 6 Watikunas, Ryan Mechaney, p.m. and admission is \$5 for and Travis Hippey each all;nopasses are allowed. The had six. Justin Harden and Arrows, playing in Division Mike Racine each had 2 this year, will host Portage seven. Kameron Blake led Northern in the Region 2, the Lowell tacklers with 11. District 1 semifinals. The Boss and Harden each had Huskies were 7-2 this year.

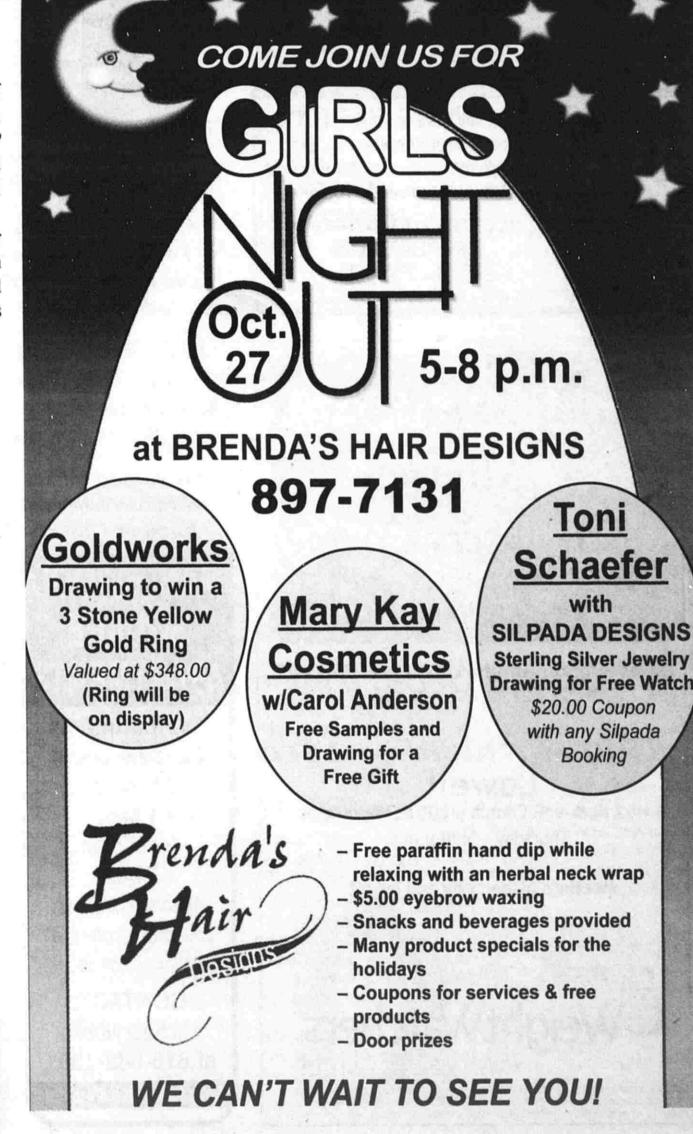
serious team defense in the contest will be this Friday

the playoffs, either Davison (ranked 8th in the Oct. 18 AP poll) or Hudsonville (ranked 9th in the same poll). Lowell was ranked 4th in that poll.

state-ranked opponent of

Friday's win over Northview made this season the sixth straight year Lowell has won eight or more games





Legal Ease

With Jonathan David

We recently purchased a second home which we intend to

fix up and then rent out. Are we entitled to take a homestead

JONATHAN SAYS: No. A homestead exemption, now known

as a principal residence exemption, only applies to your prin-

DEAR JONATHAN: We are going to attempt to sell our

home by owner this coming spring. We are hoping to net

\$300,000 on the sale. What kind of real estate transfer tax are

JONATHAN SAYS: The real estate transfer tax is calculated

on the gross selling price of your home. The combined county

and state tax is levied at \$8.60 per \$1,000 of selling price (\$1.10

per \$1,000 of selling price for the county tax and \$7.50 per

\$1,000 of selling price for the state tax). Consequently, if you

sell your home for \$300,000, then the combined real estate

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closing on it in the next few weeks. Is there any way to omit

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DNR's RAP program has 25 years of success

It was early November 1980, about a week before opening day of the firearm deer hunting season. Just after dark, a gunshot rings out disrupting the evening calm in a remote part of Michigan. In an all-too-frequent scenario that to call to make a complaint, plays out all across the state, a poacher has shot a deer out even though it is after normal office hours, the landowner who hears the gunshot is "More than 2,000 RAP calls able to place a phone call to were received in the first six

DEAR JONATHAN:

cipal residence.

we required to pay?

exemption for that property?

Natural Resources' new toll- 269 complaints had been refree. "Report All Poaching" ceived during all of 1979." (RAP) hotline.

And it improved law "Although the calls enforcement efforts as well. initially were routed to a secretary's desk in Lansing, in the fall of 1980, just after people finally had a number the program began, 135 arand that call was free," said Alan Marble, chief of the DNR rests were for shining and of season. This time, however, Law Enforcement Division. 69 illegally-killed deer were "The public's response was confiscated. tremendous," Marble said.

During one 60-hour period rests were made from 177 complaints. Ninety-nine ar-

legislation 25 years ago as a result of the public's concern the Michigan Department of months. By comparison only over the detrimental effects

It established a toll-free, 24-hour law enforcement hotline (800-292-7800) that enabled citizens to report fish and game violations and provided for the creation of a reward program for information leading to the arrest and prosecution of poachers. The numbers are pretty impressive. Between 1993 and RAP was created by 2004, for example, the RAP hotline received 287,207 telephone calls resulting

in 55,834 complaints. And

than \$257,000 was awarded to legal questions regarding But vesterday's conventional two-way radio systems have been replaced by hightech satellite tracking systems 14 years. in state-of-the-art officer patrol vehicles, which include computer-based statewide radio

an officer by means of an in-car boundaries.

arrests for game law violators. and our RAP program often has served as the model for other states to follow when it comes to cracking down on the poaching of fish and game," Marble said.

In recognition of the 25th anniversary of the successful the DNR continues to urge law violation to call the hot-

the local assessor's office.

tion is desired, please consult with an attorney.

equipment at Stoney Creek Park or does a child have to get hurt first?

For between \$400,000 and \$500,000 we could our football field. No artificial turf!

North Jefferson curve needs sidewalks. It's a dangerous curve and that has no street lighting and is dark.

I think the scarecrows look great. I love the variety and they really liven up the town. Thanks for all your hard work.

Why don't you highlight the organizations in the Coming Events page. It's very hard to see them. I hope you take this under consideration.

JONATHAN SAYS: You are correct that a deed is a matter of public record, and consequently anyone can check out what you paid for the property by searching the records. If you don't want the purchase price to be reflected on the deed, Michigan law allows you to execute a real estate transfer tax valuation affidavit, along with the deed. In this case, rather than state the purchase price, the deed will reflect that a real estate transfer tax valuation affidavit has been executed. While the deed is recorded with the register of deed's office, the real estate transfer tax valuation affidavit gets filed with

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of poaching in Michigan. during that same period, more and handle a myriad of other 782 individuals.

communications and online reporting capabilities. An of-

ficer in the field now has the capability to communicate with a poaching witness by means of cellular telephone, radio-telephone patch interface or e-mail. Information also can be given to computer, providing minuteby-minute updates regarding a complaint. The nerve center for this activity is the DNR's communications center in Lansing where highly trained and skilled dispatchers are ready to assist conservation officers and complainants 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The dispatchers receive complaint calls, enter them into a complaint-tracking database and quickly relay

hunting and fishing questions, activity.

the use of Michigan's natural resources," said Lt. Lee Stanard, who supervised the "RAP room" for more than

Special investigators of the Wildlife Resource Protection Section are assigned cases that involve large-scale poaching and commercialization of fish and game. These detectives receive additional specialized training that allows them to investigate poaching cases across traditional law enforcement district

"Michigan has one of the nation's highest rates of

Report All Poaching program, that information to an officer anybody witnessing a game "They also answer basic line and report any suspicious

The Ledger

"Almost Anything Goes Column

Editor's note: Express yourself! We welcome comments from the community. Keep in mind that they may be edited for content and you can sign your name or leave it with your Sound Off if you wish. Keep it short (and hopefully sweet) and remember if you have more to say...write the editor.

It seems that since N. Hudson has been paved & lined, traffic has seemed to slow down. That's so nice! What a great job!

Who took Aunt Carol's sumo wrestler statue? I'd really like him back. My cell number is in the classifieds "LOST" section of this paper. To the thief - please return my property!

Please make the westbound right-hand lane at Main and Valley Vista a "right-turn-only." I'm tired of people drag racing to get around those of us who are already in the left lane.

After five years of Bush, an endless war, gas at three bucks a gallon and an approval rating in the basement, I just wanted to say I told you so.

Are we ever going to put a crossword puzzle in again? Inquiring minds want to know.

Will the City please repair or replace the playground

pay maintenance a long time to take care of

I love the man who dances with cats.

I don't like the baby scarecrows. I love the concept of decorating but the baby ones are just wrong.

Thank you to the person who found and kindly turned in my special gold cross necklace at Meijer. It means so much to me.

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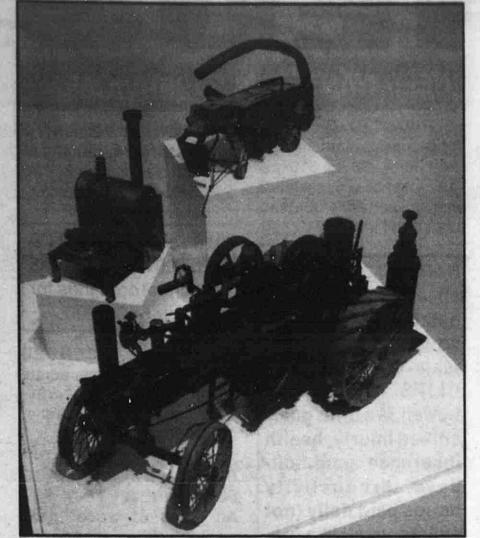
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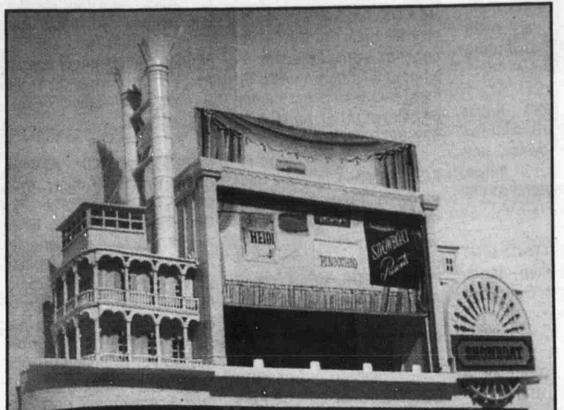
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Playthings from days gone by at museum exhibit

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display at the Lowell Area Historical Museum's new exhibit "Childhood Dreams ... Toys From the Past." The exhibit features a collection of antique toys played with, made by, or collected by local individuals. A few of the toys, such as a pair of Hall air guns, were mass-produced in Lowell factories. According to museum director Judy Straub, the exhibit is designed to evoke the connections between past and present, and childhood and adulthood. A public reception to view the exhibit will take place from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at 325 W. Main St. Light refreshments will be served.

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