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A crane lifts the steeple to the top of the First Congregational Church of Lowell's new sanctuary on Lincoln Lake Ave.

# First Congregational Church is topped off with new steeple

By Dan Schneider

ast Wednesday was an important day in the life of the First Congregational Church of Lowell, when the most visible aspect, the steeple, was added to the top of its new sanctuary on Lincoln Lake Ave.

The Congregational Church, which has been in Lowell 150 years, has quite a history of putting up steeples. Their current sanctuary is on its second steeple, after the original one was knocked down in a storm in the 1960s. Erecting that new steeple was an event back then, church members remember, which onlookers gathered for blocks around to see.

Threatening storm clouds prevented a large turnout at last week's steeple raising, but a good number of people did show up, including children from the church's summer activities program.

"This is a once-ina-lifetime opportunity,"

said church member Mari Schmaltz.

"When they're adults, they'll be able to say they were here when the steeple went up," added church member Steve MacDonald.

The storm clouds made good on their threat shortly after opening remarks by pastor of the church, Roger La Warre. Rain delayed the steeple raising for about a half an hour. But it soon dissipated and the steeple was placed upon its high perch.

It was a milestone in the life of the new church building, the plans having been in place for six years.

"It's pretty amazing," MacDonald said. "It's been a long haul and to see that going up, it's like, 'we're getting there, we're really getting there."

Construction on the new sanctuary began in February, with completion scheduled for late October.

The steeple will stand 75 feet tall, with the cross on top accounting for

five feet of that height. On a clear day, it should be visible from a great distance. La Warre said it will send a message to the community.

"The steeple represents the power of God's love that we seek to bring into this community and new and inclusive ways," he said. "But we also recognize that the steeple historically has been a symbol of the church's belief. It's a reminder that God's lov e needs to extend out from here."

The steeple top was custom made in Kentucky out of high-strength aluminum on a steel base.

"Everything aluminum, so it should stand forever," La Warre

It is very similar in design to the steeple on the current Congregational Church. It has a square base, louvered arches and an octagonal top.

La Warre said using the steeple from the current building church considered. But ultimately, that steeple stayed in because First place Congregational hopes to sell that building to another church. When the land was originally donated to the church, it was done so with the requirement that the land always be used for religious purposes.

First Congregational's current sanctuary was dedicated June 1, 1861.

# Fundraising begins for stadium memorials

By Dan Schneider

Arrow Stadium is now Arrow Memorial Stadium

field where The Lowell's football and soccer teams will play this fall is now named Perry Field, in honor of the late "Mr. Red Arrow," longtime high school biology teacher, coach and athletic director Bob Perry.

The Lowell Area Schools board of education made the name changes official in April. Now, volunteers are starting the process of making them visible at the stadium.

"We're just trying to get the fundraising going now," said Robin Briggs, a member of the committee working on the project.

In addition to adding

the word "Memorial" to the sign outside the stadium, they plan to add a sign to the scoreboard that reads "Perry Field."

Perry, who died last July, worked at Lowell High School for 40 years, both as a biology teacher and athletic director. He coached multiple sports and was a lifelong devotee of Lowell athletics, earning him the nickname "Mr. Red Arrow." He stayed actively involved in Lowell sports long after his 1991 retirement, including 15 years as a starter for track and cross country meets.

community's The strong desire to memorialize Perry at the stadium was already apparent at his memorial service, held in the Lowell Performing Arts Center last July.

and the state of the same

"I think I got stopped 15 times on the way from the auditorium to the cafeteria by people who told me 'we have to do something for this man," Briggs said.

The scoreboard sign's design will likely incorporate both the arrowhead logo seen on the football team's helmets and the "L" with an arrow through it, the official logo of the school district.

Part of the Memorial Stadium plan is to construct an honor wall there. The wall will bear plaques honoring people who have been important figures in Lowell athletics. The committee hopes to have Perry's plaque, and a plaque for former girls' track coach Kathy Talus, on the wall by the first home football game this August.

Talus was remembered for her 20 years as track coach and teacher.

"She just always put kids first, no matter what, and really treated people equally," said Briggs, who was an assistant coach under Talus for seven years. "She was dedicated to the school and she didn't have children and took on all those children as her own, her athletes."

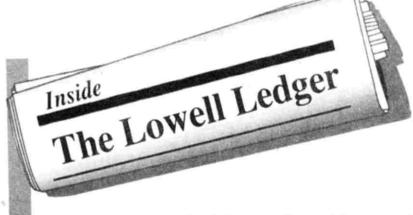
She also coached girls volleyball and basketball and started the Lady Arrows Varsity Club at the high school. Talus is also remembered for her courageous battle with cancer, though it was something she never called attention to, herself.

"(She was a) very, very humble person, (who) would not do things for her

benefit, it was always for someone else's," Briggs said.

Other honorees planned for the wall include Gary Rivers, the coach credited with establishing Lowell's

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BRUBAKER

Elizabeth "Betty" Brubaker. Surviving are her officiating. John (Carol) Brubaker, Research Foundation. Randall Brubaker; eight grandchildren; seven greatgrandchildren; one greatgreat-grandchild; brothers Phillip Hannan, William Hannan, David Hannan, Allen (Jessie) Hannan, 2006. Funeral Services will Raymond "Butch" Hannan, be held on Friday at 1 p.m. at Gary Hannan; sisters Joan Cascade Christian Church. (Peter) Lewis, Katherine The family will greet friends Carl Lewis; sisters-in-law 7 to 9 p.m. at the Metcalf and nephews. Funeral Kenmoor.

services were held Thursday at First Baptist Church, Brubaker, aged 80, of Middleville, with Rev. of Frank Snyder officiating. Wyoming, went to be with Graveside services were her Lord Monday, June 19, held Saturday at Lakeview 2006. She was preceded in Cemetery in Harbor Springs death by her husband John with Pastor Tim Green Memorial children Janet (Chuck) May, contributions may be Edward (Judy) Brubaker, made to the Breast Cancer On June 19, 2006, at age

#### DEN HOUTER

Leonard Den Houter, aged passed away at his home in Lowell on Monday, June 26, brother-in-law on Thursday from 2 to 4 and

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#### DESPRES

20, Paul David Despres

Words cannot express how much sorrow is being felt Ann Arbor, MI 48104. 57, born on August 25, 1948, by his entire family. Paul is survived by Alicia (mother);

Church, 6477 Ada Dr. for Building Fund. Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m., Rev. R. Louis Stasker presiding. Interment David Lawrence Potter, Resurrection Cemetery. The family and friends will June 19, 2006 in Florida. He clothing in memory of his parents Byron Potter and Paul's spirit. Rosary will be EuzefaByrnesPotter-Mason,

Michigan," 2203 Platt Rd.,

MEAD of Middleville, Brian Mead received his business degree officiating.

Hudson St., Lowell, on June Cemetery in Luther. The service will be held on 29. Meet at funeral home at family suggests memorial Tuesday, July 11 at 11 a.m. 10 a.m. for procession to contributions be made to the at O'Brien-Eggebeen-Gerst St. Robert's Newminster new Metropolitan Hospital in Cascade. A luncheon will follow at the Watermark Country Club in Cascade.

POTTER

**THOMAS** born February 9, 1938, died Mrs. Helen E. Thomas. aged 82, passed away be wearing light-colored was preceded in death by Wednesday, June 21, 2006. Helen was preceded in death by her first husband recited Wednesday at 7 p.m. a daughter Ginger Potter and Joseph Roedsens; mother Visitation 7-9 p.m., Tuesday a sister Susan Potter-Miesel. Phyllis Steadman, sister and Wednesday, June 27 and His wife Sharon Potter Phyllis Jones. Surviving 28 at Roth-Gerst Funeral residing in Palm Harbor, are her husband Elmer Home. Contributions may Florida, survives Dave. Thomas; daughters Jo Ellen unexpectedly passed away. be sent to "Gift of Life of Also surviving are his two (Jay) Mortenson of Grand daughters Stacey (Mike) Ledge, Kathy (Ken) Nelson Slominski of Comstock of AR, Bobbi (Jeff) Bishop Park, MI, Jackie (Paul) of IN; step-sons and step-Bogdans of Grand Haven, daughter Darrell (Diane) Gerard (father); Marti (step- Freda J. Mead, aged 81, of MI; six grandchildren; five Thomas of Lowell, Cheryl mother); grandmother Alto, went to be with the brothers and sisters Joe (Jerry) Smith of Clarksville, Bernadette(Fortier) Johnson; Lord on Friday, June 23, (Mary) Potter of Charlevoix, Timothy (Sharon) Thomas brothers Gerard Paul and 2006. She was preceded MI; William (Jan) Potter of of Lowell, Larry (Brenda) David Arthur Despres; step- in death by her husband Iron Mountain, MI, Kitty Thomas of Hesperia; 21 sister Emily Stockwell; Richard. She is survived Brenk of Tawas, MI; Sharon grandchildren; 17 greatmany aunts, uncles and by her children Sheila (George) Miles of Lowell, grandchildren; nieces and Florence (Bill) Truman, & Jonkhoff Funeral Home, cousins. A celebration of Vincent of Wyoming, Trudy Jerry (James) Francis of nephews. Funeral services Isabel Paul; several nieces 4291 Cascade Rd. S.E. at Paul's life will begin at Roth- (Arlan) King of Steuben, Lowell. Dave grew up in were held Monday at Gerst Funeral Home, 305 N. Lydia (Lonnie) Rives of Lowell and graduated from Cook Memorial Chapel Luther, MI, Richard Mead Lowell High School. He with Pastor Phil Colburn of Alto; nine grandchildren; from Davenport University services at Oakwood 16 great-grandchildren. in Grand Rapids. He was a Cemetery, Grand Ledge. Funeral services were held businessman and owned his Contributions in memory Tuesday at Church of Christ own advertising business. He of Helen may be made to

# in Luther, with Pastor was a previous part owner Wyoming Seventh Day Robert Mattern officiating. and builder of Deer Run Adventist Church, 2580 Interment in North Park Golf Course. The funeral 44th SW, Wyoming, MI

Rockford To The Bob Perry Naming Committee Our family would like to extend sincere thanks to those representing

the ambulance or from a patient's home. This gives the emergency department physicians the opportunity to determine the existence of abnormalities indicative of a heart attack and mobilize the cardiac teams for quicker treatment upon arrival at the hospital. St. Mary's, Spectrum Health Butterworth Campus and Metro hospitals can receive this transmission and are equipped with the facilities to perform the necessary

catherization. This new ability will likely reduce time spent in the emergency room before having definitive treatment rendered for heart attack patients. If you or a loved one is having chest pain call 911 immediately to receive treatment for this potentially life-threatening medical problem. The sooner you call for help, the better the chances of reducing the damage to the heart muscle.

# New cardiac monitors

patient more effectively. Rockford Ambulance

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# Junior Valentine featured on stage Thursday at the Riverwalk Plaza

Lowell Showboat performer and teacher. He in Chicago and the West in West Michigan and Sizzlin' Summer Concerts has experience with many Coast as well as throughout beyond. He also performs Plaza.

of experience, Junior Valentine has become very

the next place to be.

on the Fifth Third stage.

Burch.

installed.

Arts and crafts will be

roots music that touch on present.

accomplished as a guitarist, played in many venues clubs and corporate events

FROM the Heart

and townships of Lowell

Stadium memorials, continued

former football coaches materials, and volunteers set up at the Ionia County

Charlie Pierce and Chris to install them. Cinder National Bank branch in

already raised much of the estimated cost for the "Perry of the Memorial Stadium

The track team has used to build the wall. The in support of all aspects

blocks and concrete will be Lowell to accept donations

culture, and seeking donations of other

money needed for Talus's Field" scoreboard sign and plan.

plaque. And fundraising changes to the stadium sign

is underway for Perry's. is \$1,200.

The main work will be to

get the actual wall built

and the "Perry Field" sign

build the wall is \$3,000.

Bricks left over from

the construction of the

high school will be

used, but organizers are

The cost estimate to

The annual Riverwalk on Saturday with more arts

downtown Lowell the kayak rides, health and

weekend of July 7-8. Come fitness fair, flush tank and

and see why Lowell really is a new and improved Youth

featured along the Flat River parade starts at 11 a.m.

Friday beginning at 6 p.m. Spectators are asked to

where Thomas and Friends bring nonperishable food

will entertain children ages items/toys to the clowns

2-8 years. A used book sale, along the parade route

food vendors and a cash bar for someone in need.

on the Lowell Showboat The theme of this year's

will also be available. parade is "Celebrating 175

Pontoon rides, shopping in years of history." State

the downtown district and rep Dave Hildenbrand,

street musicians will be a Lowell native, will be

other forms of entertainment at the Fifth Third stage to

as well. River Rogues Jazz present symbols of historic

Band will perform at 7 p.m. meaning to city of Lowell

The festivities continue and Vergennes' officials.

Festival will kick off in and crafts, chainsaw art, Memorial

Riverwalk Festival slated for July 7-8

Harman Band, Since 1990, With nearly 30 years eras from the 1940's to the he and his band, the All Stars have entertained at Junior Valentine has many weddings, parties, June 29 from 7 - 9 p.m.

will feature Junior Valentine styles of blues, rhythm and Michigan, and has toured with saxophonist John Gist this Thursday at Riverwalk blues, swing, and American nationally with the James as a duo in the Grand Rapids

and Lakeshore areas.

Be sure to join Junior Valentine at the concert on

start at Look Memorial

will hold its Jaws of Life

St. later will be fire engines,

motorcycles and classic

cars as they "Rumble the

Cruising along Main

The Laurels of Kent

Tickets for the duck

will have its annual pet

parade and Larkin's will

race are being sold at

locations in town, at the

information booth on

Riverwalk Plaza, and at the

fairgrounds up to race time

(5 p.m.) Saturday. First

place is \$1000! with second

place, \$300 and third, \$200.

The finish line is at the

by Laurels of Kent, will be

at Stoney Lakeside Park

at 10:15 p.m. to complete

the night. Pull up a chair

or blanket at the park or

fairgrounds for perfect

Fireworks, presented

Grand River boat launch.

provide horseshoe fun.

Riverwalk Fire Station and Lowell

demonstration.

Riverwalk."

Cruise-in will be at the Area Fire Department

## DOCENTS NEEDED

The Lowell Area Arts Council is seeking Saturday docents at their gallery, 149 S. Hudson. Responsibilities include greeting guests and answering phones. To be trained, call Pat at 897-8545. Or pass the info. on to others who might be interested.

SIZZLIN' SUMMER CONCERTS

from 7-9 p.m. at Riverwalk Plaza. Concessions, raffles.

Junior Valentine (blues) will perform this Thursday

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#### HISTORIC SCAVENGER HUNT

Visit www.lowellchamber.org or www. lowellmuseum.org for 5 historic questions from the new pictorial book, "Where The Rivers Meet." Each week 'til Riverwalk Festival July 8.

#### LOWELL AREA FARM MARKET

Growers and producers are needed for the Lowell Area Farm Market. Call the chamber at 897-9161 or email to info@lowellchamber.org.

#### SUNNY DAY GOLF OUTING

Sign up for the Sunny Day Classic Charity Golf Outing at Tyler Creek Golf Club, Saturday, July 29. Deadline: June 30. Cost \$50. Call 616-406-6417

#### RELAY FOR LIFE CAR WASH

Down 2 Earth Car Club will hold a car wash to raise money to fight cancer, Saturday, July 8, 10-2 p.m. at Lowell Tractor Supply Co.

### RIVERWALK FESTIVAL

Enjoy the festivities in Lowell July 7 and 8. Fireworks Saturday at 10:15 p.m. at Stoney Lakeside Park.

#### USED BOOK SALE

The Englehardt Library will have a used book sale Friday, July 7, 6-9 p.m. and Saturday, July 8, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Under the striped tent along the Riverwalk.

#### FROM DONATIONS

The FROM Food Pantry needs paper products, especially toilet tissue.

#### BLOOD DRIVE

The Lowell Area Fire Dept. is sponsoring a blood drive for the Michigan Community Blood Center on Wednesday, July 12 from 2-7 p.m. at Look Memorial Fire Station, 315 S. Hudson.

#### **40TH REUNION**

The Class of 1966 40th reunion: Saturday, July 29, at VFW Hall, 3116 Alden Nash, 3 p.m. -? \$10/person, food provided, bring a beverage. Dave Rogers 772-781-7432/email emdar5t1@aol.com or call Janet (Stevens) Boerema at 897-7361.

#### SENIOR NEIGHBORS PICNIC

Lowell seniors are invited to the Roaring 20s festivities at the annual Senior Neighbors picnic Friday, Aug. 4 at EGR Middle School, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. \$3 donation per person. Reservation deadline: July 21. Call 897-5949.

# **CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE**

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Thank You-Most Sincerely,

The Bob Perry Family,

Velma Perry

Bert and Ruby Baker and children

Andrea and Chris Demsich, Courtney, Jake, Adam, Caleb

Ron and Ann Wittenbach and children Kevin and Cher

and Chris and Shannon

Great-grandchildren Caden, Lilli and Ryan

# Lack of funds stops Gee Drive reconstruction project

By Emma Palova Contributing Writer

The city has stopped the \$0.5 million reconstruction project of Gee Drive to Alden Nash due to lack of money. The federally designated road paid by a federal grant has exceeded the allowed construction costs of \$375,000.

ager Dave Pasquale, the

site at www.Michigan.gov/sos.

p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 5.

dates the partisan section of the ballot.

project will be completed in The reconstruction projects treatment plant, a new De-2007/2008 pending a grant ment of Transportation (MDOT).

"We stopped in the ing. middle because of money," said Pasquale.

However, it remains the city's priority to eventually complete the reconstruction including curb and gutter According to city man- of Gee Drive, Bowes Road, Grindle and Sibley streets.

Voter registration reminder

Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land reminds Michigan residents that Monday,

To register, applicants must be 18 years old by Election Day, a U.S. citizen, and

Residents can register at their county, city or township clerk's office, at any

Residents who register by mail must vote in person in the first election in which

In a partisan primary, votes must be cast for only one political party. Casting

Absentee ballots are available to eligible residents at city or township clerk's of

Voters may obtain an absentee ballot if they expect to be away from their city

· Only the voter, a member of the voter's immediate family or someone residing

· Voters residing in nursing homes, senior centers and other assisted-living fa-

If someone assists you in completing your ballot, review your choices to make

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sure the ballot was marked as you directed. The person marking the ballot on your

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behalf must sign the ballot's return envelope stating that he or she assisted you.

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or township on Election Day, are 60 years of age or older, are in jail awaiting trial

or arraignment, unable to attend the polls for religious reasons, or are physically

unable to attend the polls without the assistance of another person.

Land also reminds those voting by absentee ballot that:

cilities should know that it is illegal to vote in a group setting.

clerk's office. They may also be returned by mail.

partment's web site at www.Michigan.gov/sos.

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fices through 4 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 7. Absentee ballots may be obtained by mail

by submitting a signed ballot request to the city or township clerk no later than 2

Secretary of State branch office, or by completing a mail-in voter registration

form. Mail-in forms may be obtained from county and local clerks. Or on the web

they participate unless they are age 60 or older, temporarily residing overseas, or

disabled as defined by law. Residents who have never voted in Michigan and regis-

votes in a partisan primary for both Republican and Democratic candidates invali-

ter by mail may also be subject to identification requirements under federal law.

July 10 is the deadline for registering to vote in the Aug. 8 primary election.

a resident of Michigan and the city or township in which they are applying.

include rebuilding the base partment of Public Works board and parks commisof the road, putting in curb and gutter, asphalt, and in the future milling and repay- a cemetery office/mainte-

The reconstruction improves the roads in terms of according to Pasquale.

2006-2011 include an addition to the wastewater

storage building behind the sion have forwarded their present DPW garage, and nance building

CIP includes a boundary fence, asphalt main road and Ongoing projects requested by the Department parking lot, upgrading the drainage and life expectancy, of Environmental Quality existing hangars, installing will entail the abandoned a rotating beacon, additional Other capital improve- well program, upgrades of T hangars, and the purchase ment projects (CIP) for water meter reading equip- of additional property to the ment and having a detailed north.

The parks' CIP for the next five years includes a concrete skating rink at Richards Park, a pavilion at Stoney Lakeside Park and paving of parking lots, parking expansion at Creekside Park, a dumpster enclosure at Creekside Park and sprinkling at Richards Park.

The Lowell city airport

CIPs to the city council for

July 5 approval. The airport

By Emma Palova

Commission approved an front yard variance to allow addition and renovations to Huntington Bank located Sibley Street. at 1425 W. Main St. on Monday.

five additional parking lots, by-28 foot porch would the teller space. The ATM will be moved from behind the bank to the front, while the number of drive-through problem. It is the intrusion request for a variance four to three.

exterior will get updated with architectural glass. The project will not change any

"Zoning requirements manager Dave Pasquale

The Lowell Planning Roskamp's request for a allergies. an enclosed porch at 1270

allows open porches that can The 134-square-foot project 10 feet into the front addition will add more yard. According to Pasquale, lobby space to the bank and Roskamp's enclosed 10as well as renovations to be considered a part of the Hall house much like an attached

"The size is not the hearing on Roskamp's lanes will decrease from into the front yard setbacks," on July 5. The planning said Pasquale. "Under the commission will continue The wooden siding current code, he wouldn't be to review the off-street able to do it."

The enclosed porch of the zoning ordinance, would intrude by nine feet as well as regulations for into the front yard setbacks.

Roskamp, who already has an addition to the

back of the house, said he needed the enclosed porch

Although the planning commission denied the request, the panel may ordinance to address

appeals will hold a public so that no family farm or small business ever has to close to parking lighting section single family dwellings in the R-3 residential district.

# **Lowell Planning Commission** approves addition to bank

Contributing Writer

lighting or signs.

have been met," said city

commission denied Dave for health reasons due to

The city ordinance only look into amending the enclosed porches.

"The ordinance needs to be looked at," said commission member Jim The zoning board of

health care. We need decently paid teachers to educate our benefit of the wealthiest among us.

Dear Editor,

be tolerated.

Dear Editor.

Estate tax no threat

to small businesses

and family farms

With Senator Carl Levin

United for a Fair Economy, these families have spent more

family-run enterprises are the heart of American society

estate tax. In 2004, only one percent of estates in Michigan

children in the campaign for the repeal of the estate tax.

The trouble is that it is not true.

this already tiny percentage of estates.

To The Editor

I am writing in response to Michele DeHaan's letter

The philosophy of the Lowell lacrosse program stresses

regarding the extremely poor behavior of a group of Lowell

that the players respect others and take responsibility for

their actions both on and off the field. The behavior of this

group of players was absolutely unacceptable and will not

attention and assure everyone that we are working diligently

to find the individuals involved. I want to offer the deepest

of apologies to the Junior Arrow Gymnastics team and the

parents that worked so hard to make their event special.

I want to thank Michele for bringing this incident to our

The Lowell Township Planning Commission meeting

a) Randy Smith had his request for rezoning from Ag-

of the 12th was yet another lesson in civics, law and the

human mind. One can almost envy the commissioners.

Sincerely, Kristi Alguire

Lowell lacrosse

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High School J.V. lacrosse team members on May 30.

on their own enormous fortunes.

children, and dollars to build new bridges and highways. We need to revitalize our manufacturing sector and invest in advanced energy technologies. And the list of needs goes

Right now, we are running record deficits. At our current pace, the country's total debt will be more than \$12 trillion by 2016, which is \$39,000 per man, woman, or child. Repealing the estate tax would add an additional \$1 Over the last decade, 18 families worth an average of trillion to the deficit over 10 years. It is not just reckless \$10 billion have quietly financed a massive public relations fiscal and economic policy to saddle future generations with campaign to repeal the estate tax. According to a recent this crushing debt burden; it is morally wrong to pass this report by two nonprofit organizations, Public Citizen and burden to our children and grandchildren.

Individuals are still able to pass on great wealth to their than \$200 million contributing to political campaigns, children, but the estate tax ensures that those who prospered hiring lobbyists, and forming an anti-estate tax coalition. so greatly in the American economic system do their fair Their goal, of course, has been to avoid paying estate taxes share to contribute to our continued national well-being. Like all Americans, the very wealthy benefit from public The public relations campaign they created, however, has investment of tax dollars in areas such as defense, homeland sought to portray the estate tax as threatening family farms security, environmental protection and infrastructure, and and small businesses, claiming that many such businesses they rely even more than others on our legal system and the have been sold to cover an estate tax bill. Because these government's protection of property rights.

In the words of President Teddy Roosevelt, who and the American economy, they have been effective poster proposed the estate tax: "[I]nherited economic power is as inconsistent with the ideals of this generation as inherited political power was inconsistent with the ideals of the September. Next issue October 5, 1881. In reality, only a tiny fraction of all estates pay any generation which established our government.'

If we have any hope of getting our federal budget and 1.2 percent nationwide paid any tax. And family farms deficit under control, eliminating the estate tax for the and small businesses are a part of only about two percent of extremely wealthy is exactly the wrong thing to do. We need to look out for all of our citizens, not just the few who are We should find ways to exempt this handful of estates extraordinarily wealthy.

Even though they have financed an extraordinary public pay the estate tax. However, those who want to repeal the relations campaign on their own behalf, I cannot agree with estate tax are not interested in that solution. Their interest is policy changes that favor a handful of multimillionaires at in eliminating the estate tax for huge individual holdings. the expense of working American families and of critical It is not popular to talk about these days, but our national priorities. When this issue comes before the Senate government needs tax revenue to operate. Our military again in coming days, I will support reasonable increases in Commission to fix railroad rates, an important reform of the needs decently paid troops and world-class equipment. We the exemption limits that ensure only an even tinier fraction need scientists working toward cures for cancer, Alzheimer's of estates pay the estate tax, but I will oppose major changes disease, and birth defects, and to increase the availability of to the estate tax that drain the treasury for the exclusive

2 to R-1 denied. The property splits available under the

with a history of getting a centimeter and taking a furlong. To be fair (?) his former caper on Kissing Rock which

eventually wound up in court required help "on the inside,"

his status as a disabled veteran. He seemed astonished by

the criteria for nonfarm dwellings in Ag-1 (which he would

exceed), and pled his case partially because of age-old junk

and derelict cars on the property. He should see the back of

my land. The petitioner, who claimed the ownership of 33

parcels, was unfamiliar with the Michigan law of zoning per

parking in R-2 and R-3 areas, a difficult situation all around,

especially for the Township government. I opine: forget

it. The ambiguities are numerous, and besides - this is a

of fine municipal corporations to live in which will forbid the

truck. I have noticed the attitude for years. Move to the

township to "live in the country." The first order of business

is to pave that danged road to be more like Kentwood or

G.M. Ross

3) The Commission wrestled with commercial vehicle

Board will, of course, have the final say.

Academy Award time.

Southfield.

former zoning are insufficient gold in them hills for the man

# Ledger Entries



#### 125 YEARS THE WEEKLY JOURNAL JUNE 29, 1881

This issue is missing, along with all of July, August and

#### 100 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER JUNE 28, 1906

The bear seen around Pratt Lake has been pursued but not caught.

Only five houses in Lowell are under quarantine this week for the mild form of smallpox.

President Theodore Roosevelt will visit Panama. He says the canal will be finished by 1913.

Congress authorizes the Interstate Commerce powerful railroad companies.

#### 75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER AND THE ALTO SOLO JUNE 25, 1931

Kent County has lost 1,183 farms in ten years, which have also declined \$7 million in value.

The Flat River raftsmen's "Sad Ballad of Jack Haggerty" will be performed at the Centennial, and all 11 verses are on the front page.

contradicting how "the best government is that which is The 43 graduating seniors plan and present the entire closest to the people." Re Commission denial, the Township Commencement program, including speeches.

Grand Rapids and rural supervisors go head-to-head on the city's proposal for extensive widening of North Division b) A gentleman wanted a nonfarm dwelling in Ag-1 in Street with county money. the southern part of the Township, and was careful to mention

#### 50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER **JUNE 28, 1956**

The century-old Chief Cobmoosa house is moved to North Washington from Avery to make room for se. His lands are probably in another state, either that or it is Christiansen's supermarket parking lot. Foxes Corners School annexes to Lowell. The

> schoolhouse is on land that is privately-owned, so will probably be torn down.

Sidewalk superintendents can view the Mackinac Bridge construction from state parks at either end.

township with the limitations thereof. Michigan has dozens Ada and Cascade suffered damage from the latest weekend parking of your neighbor's plumbing and heating

tornado alert Tuesday.

#### 25 YEARS THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER **JUNE 24, 1981**

The new law requiring only one rear license plate on cars inspires creativity for the front plate space.

The Sesquicentennial planning includes balloon launch, All Star softball game and demo of fur trapping.

This year's adult high school graduating class numbers

Forrest Buck, in his Showboat column, tells of a high school escapade: swimming during a March lunch hour in the "old swimming hole" on Lafayette.

Planning commission mulls over survey format By Emma Palova Associates is expected to of the population or to all Contributing Writer be available at the next city the

The Lowell Planning Commission mulled over a community survey format as part of the master plan update on Monday.

council meeting on July 5. "The survey form is all

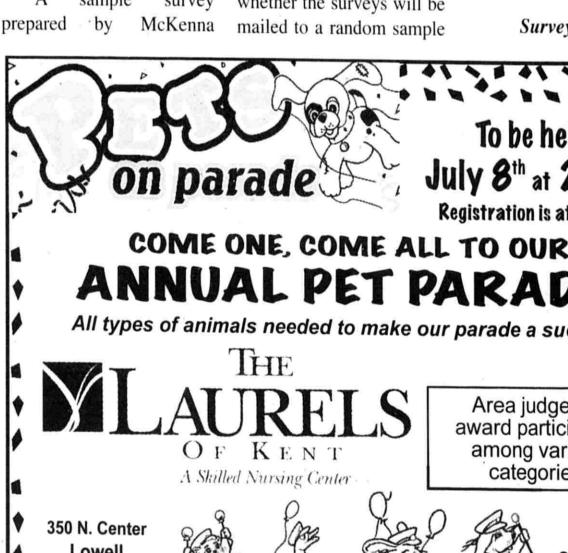
set to go," said city manager Dave Pasquale

The commission did not make a decision as to survey whether the surveys will be

property owners in the city limits. According Pasquale, there are approximately 1,200 to 1,500 properties in the city.

Sending out surveys to every household, however,

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# Weddings

Ringelberg/Roth

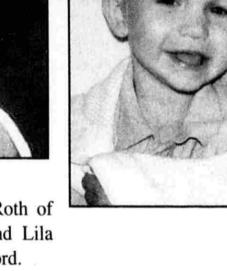


Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ringelberg

marriage on May 20, 2006 at Fountain Street Church in in Cedar Springs. Grand Rapids.

Jennifer Roth and Lee are Jerry and Kris Roth of Ringelberg were joined in Lowell and Gary and Lila Ringelberg of Rockford. The couple now reside

Parents of the couple





Stacy Holmes, youth pastor Christian Life Center

If your life is anything like mine, things have a way of turning upside down when you least expect it. In three days my life will completely change. My cozy youth pastor days are quickly coming to a close, and the last of all that seems normal has begun. Very soon I will "hand the baton," representing the most amazing teens on the planet, to a new vouth pastor. To say I feel a mix of emotions would be an understatement of gigantic proportions.





### Thuston

Tim and Jill Thuston proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Cassidy Skye, born June 27, 2006. She weighed 7 lbs. 1 oz. and measured 19 1/2 inches.

Proud grandparents are Ken and Joyce Thuston of Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. Norm Robinson of Maumee, Ohio. and Mr. and Mrs. Royal Barber of Sylvania, Ohio.





**Cassidy Skye Thuston** 

Big brothers Kollen and Kaden Gruizenga are excited to welcome home their baby sister Kieryn Elayne. She was born May 3, 2006, weighing 7 lbs. 14 oz. and measuring 20 inches.

Proud parents are Gregg and Helitha Gruizenga of Lowell. Grandparents

Rick and Helayne Tichelaar and John and Kathy Gruizenga. Uncles and aunts are Todd and Heidi Gessler-Hussey, Ken and Hillary VanSpronsen, and Mark and Sandy Knottnerus. Cousins are Brandon, Ashlyn, Aileen, Brooke, Ty and Hannah.

Kieryn Elayne Gruizenga with her brothers Kollen

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### At 20 years of age the will reigns, at 30 the wit, at 40 the judgment. - Benjamin Franklin

transition is the place where men and women of faith are is written: 'Man does not live on bread alone ...'" The devil who have walked the path before us. These brave men and stating, "It is written ..." women of faith have stayed the course even in times of Jesus sets before us the perfect way to handle times of transition and limited understanding. However, despite our transition-with certainty. As unusual and illogical as it may heavenly encouragement, there is one who desires nothing sound, the best way to confidently handle uncertainty is with more than to annihilate us, keeping us from embracing all the certainty of His Word. While our humanity feels every God intends. After all, he battled against Jesus himself. Why emotion under the sun during transitional times, isn't it good would we be any different?

Matthew 4 tells us about a transitional time in Jesus'

forged. Hebrews 12:1 says, "We are surrounded by such a continues his dialogue of deception with two more "If you" great cloud of witnesses." These witnesses represent those demands. To each challenge, Jesus responds with certainty

to know that His Word is our constant, unshakeable Truth?

Remember this: While waiting for our personal life. At this point, He is a grown man having worked revelation, be it handwriting on the wall or His still-small years as a carpenter. Jesus knows His earthly ministry is voice, a battle line is drawn. Will we patiently wait upon beginning. He has been water baptized by his cousin John, God's direction with faith and expectation? Or will we cower and immediately following, is led into the desert for a time to fear and the unknown? We are faced with a choice. How of testing and waiting. While in the desert, He eats nothing will you respond? Will you choose to lean upon the voice of for forty days and nights. He is hungry, and the enemy of challenge or certainty? May we stand strong in the transition Amazingly, God crafted us to juggle multiple emotions, His soul preys on that weakness. "If you are the Son of to state with certainty, "It is written: 'Your word is a lamp to especially during times of transition. This "limbo" stage of God, tell these stones to become bread." Jesus responds, "It my feet and a light for my path." (Psalm 119:105)

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Scout of the Year Eagle

Scout Jeremiah Gauger was named Scout of the Year by Boy Scout Troop 102 at the 2006 Spring Court of Honor.

Dirk Ritzema, BSA committee chairman, presented the award.



College News

The University of Findlay for the 2006-07 academic In addition to a volleyball scholarship, she was awarded the Dean's Scholarship from university.

graduate of Lowell High Peggy and Mark Johnson of

University has announced the names of students who were placed on the dean's list for the winter 2006

From the Lowell area

Arnswald, Anne Beenen, Rebecca Brinkley, Ryan Curtis, Noelle Dewey, West. Leah Dyksterhouse, Nicole Elliott, Tiffany Gauger, Katy Hyatt, Lindsay Koehn, Jennifer Manion, Caleb O'Boyle, Steve Palasek, Anthony Pedley, Lindsey Plescher, Stacey Pniewski, School, is the daughter of Kayla Ritenburgh, Kelley Venneman.

From the Alto area are: Sarah Appold, Dana Bailey, Tara Cavanaugh, Alexandra Cordingly, Molly Cramer, Joffrey Craven, Steven DenHof, Joshua Ekkens, Sarah Fifer, Harmony Gould, Katie Hekman, Penny

Hock, Joel Koning, Jessica Mervau, Crystal Porritt, maintained a 3.5 grade are: Brian Abbring, Stacey Jillian Russell, Amanda point average and have been **Sinning** and **Christopher** enrolled in a minimum of 12

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Warm weather can be uncomfortable for all of us but it can sometimes be dangerous for older adults

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**JUNE 29** 

Ben Zoodsma, Stephanie Yonker, Jackson Simmons, Trevor Wernet.

JUNE 30 Sheila Yeiter, Kayleigh Page.

JULY 1 Brandon Hewitt, Dylan Borton

**JULY 2** Bradley Ball, Marilyn Sauber, Brandon Lee, Logan Brenk, Landon Trierweiler, Ryan Lynne Roth, Mary Jo Buechler.

JULY 3 Alice Ryder, Jamie Capen, Maxin Ligman.

Anne Armstrong, Barb Austin, Zachary Rhodes, Tara Sherman, Peter Timin-

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LYME DISEASE

Lyme disease is an infection caused by bacteria. The bacteria that causes lyme disease is carried by deer tics and western black-legged ticks. The disease can be passed to animals and people through tick bites. These ticks are about the size of a sesame seed.

People who are most at risk for getting lyme disease are those who work outside or in wooded areas, such as park rangers and construction workers. It is most common in rural and suburban areas in the northeastern and midwestern United States. Lyme disease is found in other parts of the United States, as well as Europe, Asia and Australia.

Lyme disease can cause a rash on your skin. Usually, the rash shows up three to 30 days after a tick bite. The typical rash is called Erythema migrans. It usually starts at the site of the bite. It may start as a small red spot and grow larger. The center may fade, making it look like a bull's eye. Sometimes the rash does not clear in the middle, and it may even be darker in the middle.

If you have lyme disease you also may have muscle aches and joint pain, headaches, drooping of part of the face, or flu-like symptoms.

Lyme disease can be treated with antibiotics. It is important for you to take all the medicine your doctor prescribes to keep the disease from spreading to your joints, nervous system, or heart. If you have trouble taking the medicine, don't quit taking it. Call and tell your doctor about your problems.



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# **VERGENNES TOWNSHIP**

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE** 

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing before the Vergennes Township Planning Commission will be held on Thursday July 6, 2006 at 7:00 PM, at the Vergennes Township Hall, located at 10381 Bailey Drive, Lowell, MI to consider proposed amendments to the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance. A summary follows for the proposed zoning amendments and special exception use permits:

**Zoning Map Rezones** 

Elizabeth Fahnenstiel has applied for a rezoning of 3.20 acres from R-2 to Industrial. The property is located on Lincoln Lake Rd, just north of the Equine Center on the west side and across the street from the cemeteries. The property is parcel number 41-16-34-226-003 in section 34. The applicant is also applying for a special exception use permit to begin a canine international training center in the existing building on the property. Public comment will also be heard on the requested use.

F&G Realty Investments LLC has applied for a rezone of approximately a 100 foot by 838 foot strip of land in the R-3 district to the Commercial District. The land is located on Lincoln Lake Ave north of the intersection of Vergennes on the west side. The request is to make the entire parcel the same zoning district for development purposes to erect an office building. An application for a special exception use permit for the office is also under consideration and public comment.

**Zoning Text Amendments** 

**Chapter 2 Definitions** 

Amend the definition section to add definitions for Agritourism Business and Bed and Breakfast.

Chapter 3 Zoning Districts

Amend R-A District, Section 201.304 (C) to add a new section requiring a special exception use permit for Agritourism Business and Bed and Breakfasts. Amend the R-1 District, Section 201.305 C to add a new section requiring a special exception use permit for Bed and Breakfast establishments. The two new uses have specific standards for setbacks, sleeping rooms, food service, signage, goods for sale and other appropriate requirements.

The complete applications and text of the proposed ordinance amendments and special exception uses can be reviewed at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, PO Box 208, Lowell, MI 49331 -Phone: (616) 897-5671 [fax 897-5674] or on the website at www.vergennestwp.org. Written and oral comments will be received until the conclusion of the public hearing. Written comments may be addressed to the Planning Commission Chairman or the Planning Coordinator at the Township Offices. Comments may be emailed to the Planning Commission at: zoning@vergennestwp.org.

> Vergennes Township Planning Commission

# New car wash offers a variety of services

By Dan Schneider

Center offers customers a wide array of services.

the entrances to the bays are self-serve spas.

located, a driver can choose from five different services. LaserWashes Quality These are labeled in blue automatically

Express Car Wash and Lube letters above the wash and brushes and using reverseoil change bays, from left to osmosis rinse water. Two right: two express lube bays, of the self-serve wash bays Approaching from the detail shop, two touchless are regular-sized; the third rear of the building, where auto spas, dog spa and three is extra large for trucks and

The detailing bay, which opened two weeks ago, is the newest part of the business. The dog wash is an amenity owner Bill Overbeck has noticed at some newer car washes around West Michigan. It has a wash table and nozzle at the end of a hose that dispenses three

> "It's a good place to bring your dog and leave the mess here," Overbeck said.

types of shampoo and rinse

water. The dryer is controlled

through the same machine.

He designed the place himself. Hisprimary business, Overbeck Construction, has built several car washes in the past. He said he tried to incorporate the best of those car washes in his design. "I just looked at what other people had built," he said. "I came up with this design based on other successful car washes. What we tried to do here is put in all the bells and whistles. It's brand new."

Kevin Katt is the manager of Quality Express Car Wash and Lube Center. It is a locally-owned business, not a franchise.

With the exceptions of the oil change, which carries Valvoline products, and detailing shop, Quality Express is open 24 hours a day. The oil change center and detailing shop are open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

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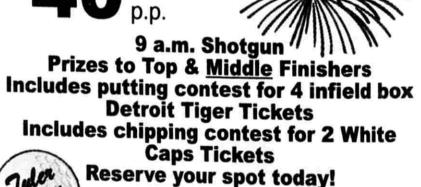
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# High school history students record veterans' history

By Dan Schneider

History students at Lowell High School spent the last month of the spring semester working on a project that will help preserve Lowell history. At the same time, it records the lives of whose ranks are thinning all 40

too quickly as time marches into groups of three, they according to parameters set not only about their war people's attention to past on: World War II veterans.

For two years now, advanced

students in Nick Blough's placement European History class their class interviewing students. Splitting

History is the witness that testifies to the passing of time;

it illumines reality, vitalizes memory, provides guidance in

daily life and brings us tidings of antiquity.

for WMU Broncos and Lowell's Hedlund

and racing a new plane that brought home the Mary

Western has never used Pearson Award for highest

before. The anticipation for overall finish among the

killing us early on, since we first-time participants in the

Hedlund and Treppa previous Air Race Classic

new Cirrus SR20 aircraft, is a WMU flight instructor

which are equipped with and December 2004

awesome experience, and what is found in commercial Aviation.

the results of the race were seven entries composed of flight instructor.

Highest finish ever in Air Race Classic

Courtney Hedlund and Hedlund. "It has been an configurations similar to

We are both first-time racers

racing Friday afternoon."

of the College of Aviation's

technology and cockpit

shared piloting duties of one experience.

we cannot say that enough. airliners.

interviews with 13 veterans,

seven more than last year. They are taught have spent the last part of to coax colorful personal of Congress. stories from the veterans.

were able to conduct video by the Library of Congress experience, but also about Veterans' History Project. their pre- and post-service join thousands of others in copies of the interviews interviewing techniques the collection of the Library are kept at the Lowell Area

But the students are miniature documentaries flavor. They ask veterans

graduate of the College of

Treppa, from Macomb

- Cicero (106 BC - 43 BC)

local veterans. The class These are recorded on also expected to produce do at the high school with was larger this year, with video tape and edited into interviews with a local the students, and what the museum has asked us to do. is to make it a community

project," Blough explained. He said the project has helped make history feel real to his students.

"It highlights their (the veterans) individual stories "You get so many different way back." perspectives."

students. "Reading a book, the war. it's just a book, you don't get any of the feelings or interested in anything I had emotion."

The need to preserve This year's WMU team Township, is a December the veterans' stories gets 2005 aviation graduate and is also employed at the on.

College of Aviation as a The June 20-23 race arrived at the terminus of Air Race Classic. This was began in Mesa, Ariz., and Lowell veteran Eugene the race late Wednesday and the first year since WMU's concluded in Menominee, Smith. some other teams were still original entry in the air race Mich., with stops along the

He was the veteran from Smith that neither WMU pilot had 2,156-mile race route in New interviewed by Patel and two other students.

noticed in recent years an He attributes this partially age. But he believes the his time in India. ongoing conflicts in the Middle East have turned

The goal is for the videos to life in Lowell. Video tape of whom are juniors, can identify with the veterans' stories. They are not much vounger than the veterans "The big thing that we were when they were

As for the veterans' portion of the interview experience, they have found the students to be professional in the process.

"Those three young men were just great," Smith said. "They were very courteous and friendly and down to instead of just looking at business. It was kind of fun a textbook," Blough said. to relate the stories from

Patel, whose parents are "(It was) much better from India, was particularly than reading a book, much interested in Smith's stories. more interesting, too," Smith had been stationed in said Suraj Patel, one of the India for two years during "He was very much

> to say," Smith said. Patel had visited India

with his parents.

"Listening to him describe it, it was two "We're dying off fast, different worlds, the India so they want a record of today and the India back personal experience," said before WWII," he said.

He also learned about the soldier's experience

"Being a tourist and being a soldier there are very Smith said he has different," Patel said.

His mother even made Smith some curry sauce, which he cooked with chicken and rice. It was one to the veterans' advancing of his favorite dishes from

# Survey, continued ... From Page 4

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which finished third in the

been a part of this race," said

"We are so lucky to have

country competition.

overall standings.

The postage cost would be just under \$1,000 and it member Mark Mundt. would come from the general fund. There are also funds available in the planning

"We're all in agreement increase the accuracy, said that the survey is the cornerstone of the master plan," said commission

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The last community survey was done in 1994 when approximately 200 commission budget. The surveys were mailed out city has budgeted \$20,000 with a seven percent rate for professional planning of response. The proposed services. The master plan survey will be voluntary, update is expected to be and it will include questions 'completed by mid 2007.



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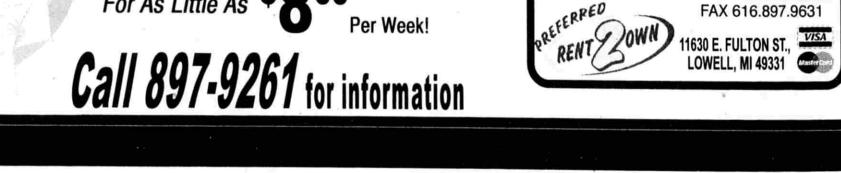
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Classes with Young Champions are offered for ages 4-18. The next session will be at Bushnell Elementary in September. Call 616-538-2888 for information.

Pictured, back row, left to right, are: Coach Mandy Vezino and Riley Breimayer; front row: Amber Cook, Autumn Chrisman and Alexus

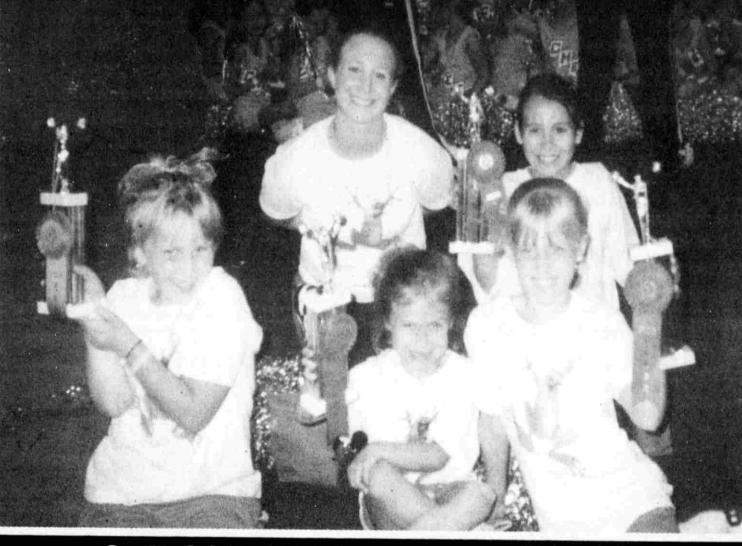


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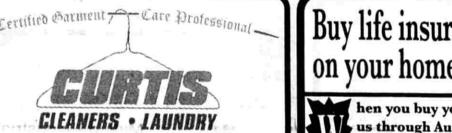


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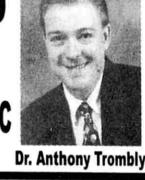
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#### **GRAND SLAM**

William Schreur was born in Lowell, Michigan, in 1930 and is a longtime resident of Vergennes Township. At the age of 12 he began running a trap line and hunting the woods, fields and wetlands around his home. After one particularly successful trapping season, Bill sold his furs for \$300.00, and later at the age of 17 used the money to buy 20 acres of land from a neighbor. This experience would have a profound effect on Bill's future.

Bill's interest in wildlife and nature led him to read a number of outdoor magazines which included articles about big game hunting in exotic far away places. These stories sparked a desire to hunt a variety of big game wherever

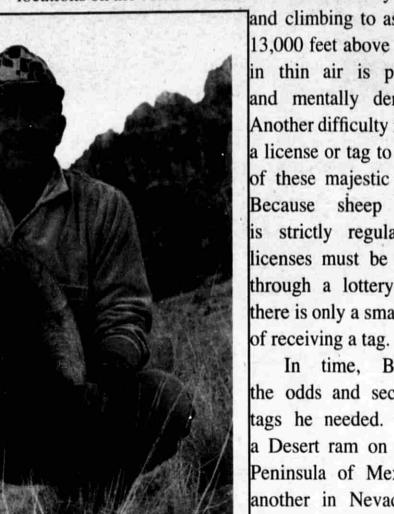


Schreur on an early hunt with a grizzly bear he bagged in the Yukon.

they might be found on the continent. He dreamed about hunting moose, deer, caribou, bear, elk, and the most difficult to hunt quarry of all-sheep.

a clear-cut direction for our lives. Bill, as a teenager, had

His most ambitious endeavor was to score a grand slam on North American sheep. A grand slam refers to taking one each of the four main species of sheep which Most of us are well into adulthood before we determine are the Rocky Mountain bighorn, Desert bighorn, Stone and Dall. Sheep are found in the most remote and rugged defined his dreams and was well on his way to living them. locations on the continent. The weather is usually extreme,



Bill Schreur with a Desert bighorn sheep in Nevada

He built his first house on the land he had bought with ram in British Columbia. The hunts took Bill on foot and proceeds from that fur sale. From there, Bill founded a horseback to some of the most spectacular scenery on the successful land development and residential construction planet. Each hunt was an adventure and a story in itself. business, which he and his sons carry on to this day. There Only those who share the wilderness experience know are many Vergennes Township residents living in Schreur the special fellowship between hunter, guide, cook and

Bill's vocation allowed him to pursue his other Mountains in northwest Colorado to take his first big continues to burn today. Over the years Bill took caribou, the forest. grizzly bear and moose in the Yukon. In British Columbia he bagged caribou, moose and a pair of mountain goats. language is - I wish I would have. I have enjoyed spending All of the game, except for a few taken for camp meat, a fair amount of time talking with Bill, and have never were trophy class animals.

and climbing to as high as 13,000 feet above sea level thin air is physically and mentally demanding. Another difficulty is getting a license or tag to take one of these majestic animals. Because sheep hunting is strictly regulated and licenses must be acquired through a lottery system, there is only a small chance

In time, Bill beat the odds and secured the tags he needed. He took a Desert ram on the Baja Peninsula of Mexico and another in Nevada, three Rocky Mountain bighorns in Wyoming, two Dall rams in the Yukon, and a Stone

There is a cedar swamp on his property in the Upper great passion-hunting big game. He hunted the Rocky Peninsula where Bill can be found each fall. He doesn't usually kill a deer because he passes up average bucks game animal, a 12-point mule deer. The fire was lit and while holding out for that old mossy-horned monarch of

> One of the most lamentable phrases in the English heard him make that comment. I don't think I ever will.

# Pow Wow dancers meet to "restore the circle" last weekend

Dancers young and old celebrated Native American culture this weekend at the Restoring the Circle Pow Wow in Lowell.

The Pow Wow was held Saturday and Sunday at the Lowell Fairgrounds under pleasant skies each day. The dancers pictured were participating in a welcome dance, Sunday. This is the first dance of the Pow Wow veterans, and intertribal the rest of the Pow Wow.

which honored military site.

following the Grand Entry dances, in which everyone appropriate that we are here confluence of the Flat River and the flag ceremony; present was invited to it makes the dancers and dance. Before a men's audience feel comfortable traditional dance, the oldest and sets a positive tone for native dance believed to be more than 4,000 years old,

This was just one of master of ceremonies Larry many dances. Other dances Plamondon took a moment over the weekend included to make a statement about veterans honor dance, the history of the Pow Wow



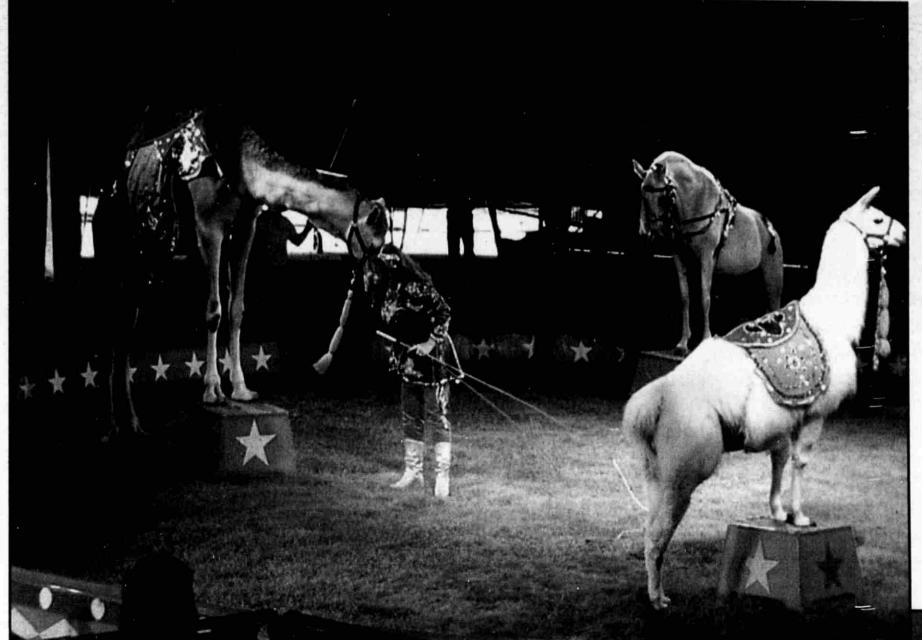
Anna Marlen, left, and Greg Morsaw were the head dancers at last weekend's Restoring the Circle Pow Wow held at the Lowell Fairgrounds.

particularly Plamondon said. "At the at the Lowell Fairgrounds," and the Grand River was a

That village was not far



# And the circus came to Lowell

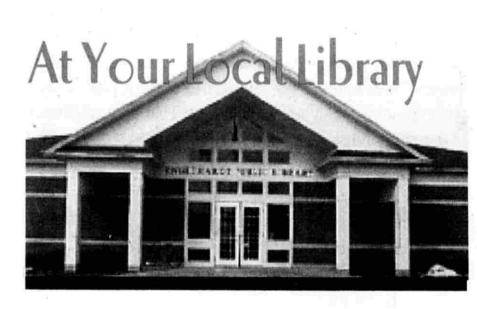


The Kelly Miller Circus came to town Sunday, bringing a variety of alliterative acts to the grounds of **Bushnell Elementary.** 

The circus program described the Portugal family, who opened the circus performing on complicated as "spine-tingling stratospheric apparatus, sensationalists." By running inside two wheels attached to either side of a teeter-totter, they were able to make the device swing through the air acrobatically and incorporate juggling.

A number of animals performed, first the "adroit animal aristocracy" of trainer Laura Herriott, who conducted the movements of a horse, camel and llama around the circus ring (it was a single-ring circus). Later, there were "peerless performing pachyderms," featuring maneuvers by the same elephants who were instrumental in setting up the circus tent earlier in the day. The strength of the elephants had been used to pull up the tent's main support poles.

For the first of two performances, about a third of the available seats were filled. But between motorcycle daredevils, acrobats and jugglers, they saw a varied and eclectic show.

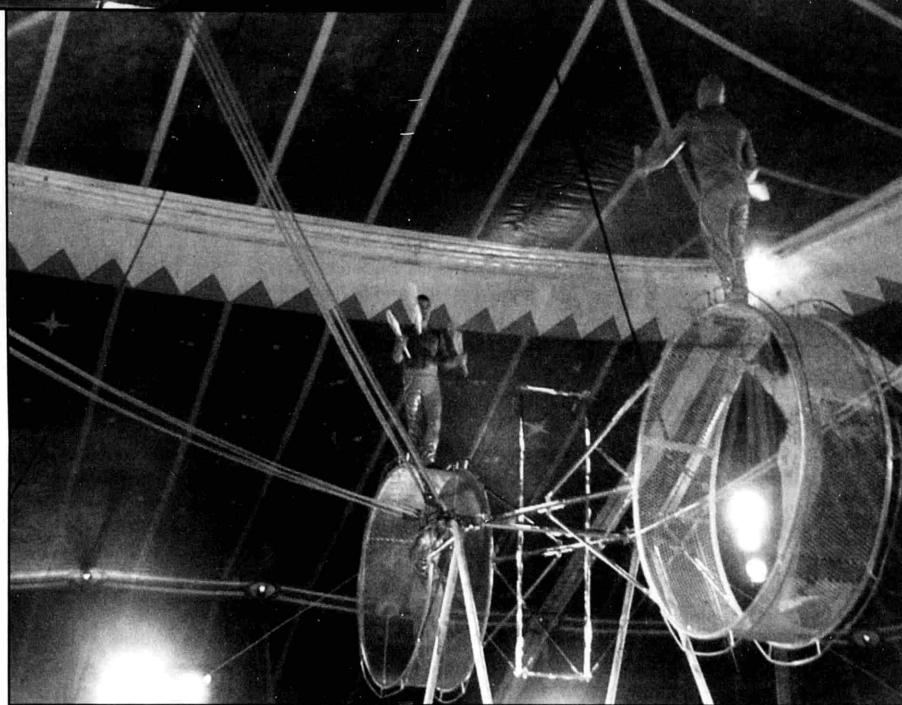


#### USED BOOK SALE

The Englehardt Branch Library will host a used book sale during the Riverwalk Festival in July. You'll find everything from hard cover and paperback, to fiction, nonfiction, mystery, and tapes, CDs and puzzles.

It will be held under the striped tent in the Englehardt Library parking lot on Friday, July 7 from 6-9 p.m. and Saturday, July 8 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

It is sponsored by the Friends of Englehardt Library with all proceeds benefiting the local library.





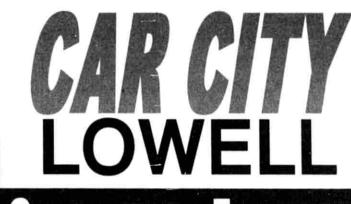
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# **BOWNE TOWNSHIP**

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2006-2, AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 2.33, 2.45, 2.76, 2.94, 3.39, 5.02, 5.03, 6.02, 6.03, 7.02, 7.03, 8.02, 8.03, 9.02, 9.03, 10.02, 10.03, 14.02, 19.01, 19.02, 19.04, 19.05, 19.06, 19.07, 21.04, 21.05, AND 21.06

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that Ordinance No. 2006-2, an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to amend Sections 2.33, 2.45, 2.76, 2.94, 3.39, 5.02, 5.03, 6.02, 6.03, 7.02, 7.03, 8.02, 8.03, 9.02, 9.03, 10.02, 10.03, 14.02, 19.01, 19.02, 19.04, 19.05, 19.06, 19.07, 21.04, 21.05, and 21.06 to change certain definitions, change certain uses to uses allowed by right in residential districts, to amend application procedures for special land uses, to revise membership requirements, powers, application and hearing procedures, and appeals from the Zoning Board of Appeals, and to amend the hearing and notification, decision, and adoption procedures for zoning amendments, has been adopted by the Township Board of the Township of Bowne. The Township Board adopted Ordinance No. 2006-2 on June 19, 2006. Ordinance No. 2006-2 will become effective upon the expiration of seven (7) days after the publication of this Notice.

Ordinance No. 2006-2 is summarized as follows:

- 1) Section 2.33 (Family Day Care Home) is amended to revise the definition to meet PA 116 of 1973.
- 2) Section 2.45 (Institutional Care Facilities) is amended to revise the definition to meet PA 116 of 1973.
- 3) Section 2.76 (State Licensed Residential Facility) is amended to revise the definition.
- 4) Section 2.94 (Zoning Board) is amended to delete outdated definition.
- 5) Section 3.39 (Open Space Development Regulations) is amended to change title to Open Space Preservation Development Regulations in accordance with PA 110 of 2006.
- 6) Sections 5.02 and 5.03 (Uses Allowed By Right, Accessory Structures And Uses) are amended to change State Licensed Residential Facilities from accessory use to use by right in the AG Agricultural District, and to delete Family Day Care Homes as accessory
- 7) Sections 6.02 and 6.03 (Uses Allowed By Right, Accessory Structures And Uses) are amended to change State Licensed Residential Facilities from accessory use to use by right in the R-1 Rural Residential District, and to delete Family Day Care Homes as
- 8) Sections 7.02 and 7.03 (Uses Allowed By Right, Accessory Structures And Uses) is amended to change State Licensed Residential Facilities from accessory use to use by right in the R-2 Low Density Residential District, and to delete Family Day Care Homes as
- 9) Sections 8.02 and 8.03 (Uses Allowed By Right, Accessory Structures And Uses) are amended to change State Licensed Residential Facilities from accessory use to use by right in the R-3 Urban Residential District, and to delete Family Day Care Homes as accessory uses.
- 10) Sections 9.02 and 9.03 (Uses Allowed by Right, Accessory Structures and Uses) are amended to change State Licensed Residential Facilities from accessory use to use by right in the R-4 Multi-Family Residential District, and to delete Family Day Care Homes as
- 11) Sections 10.02 and 10.03 (Uses Allowed by Right, Accessory Structures and Uses) are amended to change State Licensed Residential Facilities from accessory use to use by right in the R-5 Manufactured Housing Community District.
- 12) Section 14.02 (Application Procedures) is amended to revise the public notice requirements for Special Land Uses in accordance with PA 110 of 2006.
- 13) Section 19.01 (Membership) is amended to allow Planning Commission and Township Board representatives to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals while holding office on those respective bodies, to add removal criteria for members of the Zoning Board of Appeals, and to allow for the appointment and service of alternate members in accordance with PA 110 of 2006.
- 14) Section 19.02 (Powers of the ZBA) is amended to amend Zoning Board of Appeals review authority and require a 2/3 vote for to approve use variances in accordance with PA 110 of 2006.
- 15) Section 19.04 (Appeals) is amended to revise the title to Application and Hearing Procedures, to revise the public notice requirements for ZBA hearings, and to allow agent or attorney representation before the ZBA, in accordance with PA 110 of 2006.
- 16) Section 19.05 (Hearings) is amended to place certain provisions under Section 19.04 while deleting others.
- 17) Section 19.06 (Variances) is amended to renumber as 19.05.
- 18) Section 19.07 (Appeals of the ZBA) is amended to renumber as 19.06 and to revise the process for appealing final ZBA decisions, in accordance with PA 110 of 2006.
- 19) Section 21.04 (Public Hearing and Notification) is amended to revise the public notice requirements for Planning Commission hearings, in accordance with PA 110 of 2006.
- 20) Section 21.05 (Decision) is amended to provide that the Township Board may refer advisable amendments to proposed text to the Planning Commission for a report.
- 21) Section 21.06 (Adoption) is amended to revise public hearings held by the Township Board on a proposed ordinance provision, and to revise ordinance adoption and publication of ordinance adoption.

The publication of this Notice meets the requirements for publication pursuant to MCLA 125.281a. No further publication of Ordinance No. 2006-2 is required or contemplated by the Township. A copy of Ordinance No. 2006-2 may be purchased or inspected at the Township offices located at 8240 Alden Nash Avenue, Alto, Michigan, on Wednesdays and Thursdays, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and on Fridays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

Date: June 28, 2006

Sandra L. Kowalczyk Bowne Township Clerk

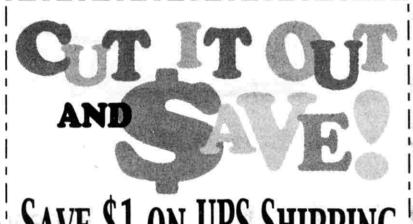
# Storm safety tips from Lowell Light & Power

If you're planning to be outdoors, plan your route to safety in case lightning strikes.

Lowell Light & Power offers these precautions:

- · Listen to the weather forecast before you venture outdoors. If you know a storm is coming, consider rescheduling the activities for a safer time.
- · Stay close to shelter. If you see lightning and then hear thunder within 30 seconds, it's time to run for cover. If you hear thunder only, lightning probably isn't far behind. Once the thunder stops, it's wise to stay indoors for 30 more
- · The best shelters are permanent, enclosed buildings - like houses. Dugouts, bleachers and open gazebos will not protect you from a lightning strike.
- · If you're boating or swimming, immediately get out of the water and off of the beach.
- If you're on a golf course, immediately head back to the clubhouse. On most courses, it's the only place where you are protected from lightning.
- · Stay away from trees. Trees are commonly hit by lightning, along with the people using them for shelter.
- · A car isn't an ideal shelter during a storm, but it's safer to be in one than out in the open.
- · Once the storm passes, stay away from fallen power lines. Call 911 immediately to report any downed power lines if you see them.

"Last summer there were lots of national news stories about people getting injured and even killed by lightning," said Tom Richards, general manager of Lowell Light & Power. "Your best bet for safety is to make a plan so you know what to do if you see lightning. That plan might not be the most convenient way to enjoy the outdoors. But you should always put safety first."



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The Lowell City Council, acting as the Zoning Board of Appeals, will conduct a public hearing at their regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, July 5, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. at the Lowell City Council Chambers, Second Floor, 301 East Main Street, Lowell, Michigan

The purpose of said hearing would be to receive comments on the following variance request:

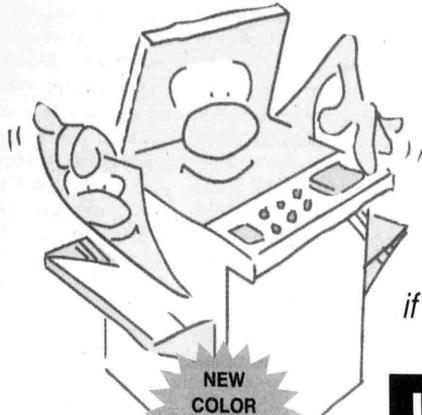
1270 Sibley - David Roskamp wishes to construct a 10' x 28' enclosed porch on to the front of his home. Under Section 4.05B of the Zoning Ordinance, porches may project a maximum of ten feet into the required front yard if all sides are open, unenclosed and uncovered. The proposed structure projects ten feet into the required front yard and enclosed. Thus, the variance has been petitioned.

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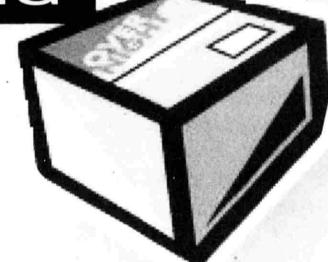
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NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2006-1.

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO

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**AND C-2 COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS** 

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that Ordinance No. 2006-1, an

amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to amend Sections 11.01, 11.02,

11.04, 11.05, 11.06, 12.01, 12.02, 12.04, and 12.06 to add certain uses

as uses allowed by right and special land used in the C-1 Commercial

District and to revise the uses allowed by right and the special land uses

in the C-2 Commercial District, has been adopted by the Township

Board of the Township of Bowne. The Township Board adopted

Ordinance No. 2006-1 on June 19, 2006. Ordinance No. 2006-1 will

become effective upon the expiration of seven (7) days after the

1) Section 11.01 (Description and Purpose) is amended to revise the

2) Section 11.02 (Uses Allowed by Right) is amended to add minor

allowing non-traditional activities as special land uses.

purpose of the C-1 Commercial District to allow for flexibility in

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similar uses not otherwise specifically provided for" as special land

amended to provide that where the front setback has been

established or where the average setback of existing buildings on

either side of a parcel or lot has been established at a distance

greater than zero, the Planning Commission may approve a front

5) Section 11.06 (General Requirements) is amended to provide that

6) Section 12.01 (Description and Purpose) is amended to revise the

7) Section 12.02 (Uses Allowed By Right) is amended to allow

a site plan shall be submitted and reviewed for uses in the C-1

Commercial District in accordance with Article 18 of the Zoning

purpose of the C-2 General Commercial District to provide that this

District will typically be established on major arterial roads and

"vehicle and boat sales and rentals" and "banks, credit unions, and

similar financial institutions, including drive-in facilities" as uses

permitted by right in the C-2 General Commercial District, to

exclude "drive-in restaurants" from the C-2 General Commercial

District, and to eliminate automobile, motorcycle, and boat

repair" in place of "automobile repair" as a special land use in the

a site plan shall be submitted and reviewed for uses in the C-2

General Commercial District in accordance with Article 18 of the

8) Section 12.04 (Special Land Uses) is amended to allow "vehicle

9) Section 12.06 (General Requirements) is amended to provide that

The publication of this Notice meets the requirements for publication

pursuant to MCLA 125.281a. No further publication of Ordinance No.

2006-1 is required or contemplated by the Township. A copy of

Ordinance No. 2006-1 may be purchased or inspected at the Township

offices located at 8240 Alden Nash Avenue, Alto, Michigan, on

Wednesdays and Thursdays, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00

Sandra L. Kowalczyk

Bowne Township Clerk

p.m. and on Fridays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

setback greater than zero, in the C-1 Commercial District.

may be subject to access management standards.

servicing from the C-2 General Commercial District.

C-2 General Commercial District.

Zoning Ordinance.

Date: June 28, 2006

buildings as uses allowed by right in the C-1 Commercial District.

3) Section 11.04 (Special Land Uses) is amended to add "other

4) Section 11.05 (Height, Area, and Dimension Regulations) is

but will your assistance just is often a labor of love. make the situation worse for Few rehabilitators get paid for their work. Wildlife The Department of rehabilitators in Michigan that wild animals be left in from the DNR for the work the wild, unless they are they do. Rehabilitators who visibly injured, or in the work with birds are required Assisting injured or case of baby animals, it is to have additional permits clear that the adult has been from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

able to live independently in **BOWNE TOWNSHIP** 

and prevent the taming of a if at all possible. rehabilitating animal. This is often an elaborate and time summer, it is common for Many baby mammals are consuming process.

to assess injuries and coat and lack of scent make feeding on vegetables. diagnose have extensive knowledge left alone for 6 to 8 hours away from it. about the species in their at a time, but the mother is considerations. They also specialist. understand the danger the animal can be to humans.

injuries or illnesses that three times a day. The rest it a pet. In almost every case, prevent them from being of the day the fawn and its keeping a wild animal for returned to the wild are mother are separated," Clute any time longer than it takes usually euthanized. In rare explained. instances, animals that He added, "When a is illegal. Native wildlife recover from their injuries fawn is located, remember species are protected by state but are not able to survive the doe is watching, enjoy in the wild are placed in the moment and move along. To keep a wild animal in educational facilities.

"Animals that are the fawn," handled too much often survival," said Bill Moritz, phenomenon that requires the wild.

Wildlife rehabilitation chief of the DNR Wildlife is not the practice of turning Division. "In almost all a wild animal into a pet. cases, the best thing a person like that is encountered is Wild animals are only held can do for a wild animal is to in captivity until they are simply leave it in the wild."

If you find an injured the wild. Steps are taken by or seemingly abandoned or apparently abandoned rehabilitators to ensure that animal, the best thing to do is a wild animal remains wild. call the local DNR office or Animals in rehabilitation are check the DNR Web site for not marked or tagged in any the name and number of the nearest wildlife rehabilitator. Fear of humans and Often, rehabilitators can the ability to find food are help concerned people holes cut into it. The more necessary survival traits for decide whether an animal you handle or look at a wild wild animals and every effort truly needs help. Young animal, the more stressed is made by a rehabilitator to birds and mammals should the animal will be, reducing minimize human contact be returned to their families its chance for survival.

illnesses. a stationary bedded fawn

"Typically, the doe will visit the fawn, feed it, and Animals that have move it to a different location an injured animal and make

Young birds often spend become very stressed or some time on the ground or leave wildlife in the wild. It habituated to people, and on low branches until they often does the animal much that reduces their chances for can fly well. This is a natural more harm to remove it from

no action on our part. The best thing to do when a bird to vacate the area and keep pets away from it.

If you find an injured wild animal, you should first attempt to locate a wildlife keep the animal overnight, leave it alone in a secured cardboard box with small

Do not give the animal In the spring and anything to eat or drink. many people to mistakenly lactose intolerant and may Wildlife rehabilitators think a fawn all alone is develop diarrhea, and many often work with veterinarians abandoned. The spotted birds are not adapted to

If you find a cold or Rehabilitators must be able difficult for predators to featherless/hairless animal, to administer basic first detect. A bedded fawn is not put a heating pad on low aid and physical therapy, abandoned. In the case of underneath half of the box. often more complicated white-tailed deer, the first Do not hold the animal to than providing first aid to a eight to 10 days of a fawn's try to warm it. Holding it person. Rehabilitators also life are a period when it is in your hands will take heat

Remember care - natural history, diet, always near, said Rodney important to contact the behavioral issues and caging Clute, DNR big game rehabilitator as soon as

> Often, well-meaning citizens think they can keep to transfer it to a rehabilitator laws, federal laws or both. Let the fawn's mother raise captivity requires a special permit for research.

> > The best advice is to

## REMINDER NOTICE **REGISTRATION DEADLINE** FOR THE PRIMARY ELECTION **TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 8, 2006**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT ANY QUALIFIED ELECTOR OF BOWNE TOWNSHIP, LOWELL TOWNSHIP, VERGENNES TOWNSHIP, AND THE CITY OF LOWELL, WHO IS NOT ALREADY REGISTERED, MAY REGISTER TO VOTE AT THE CITY OR TOWNSHIP OFFICES, AT ANY SECRETARY OF STATE BRANCH OFFICE, OR OTHER DESIGNATED PLACES FOR THE PRIMARY

THE LAST DAY FOR RECEIVING REGISTRATIONS WILL BE **MONDAY, JULY 10, 2006** 

**QUALIFICATIONS TO REGISTER TO VOTE:** CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES

8am to 5pm

Sandra Kowalczyk Bowne Township Clerk (616) 868-6846 9am to 4pm

Linda S. Regan Lowell Township Clerk 616) 897-7600 9am to 5pm

> Mari Stone Vergennes Township (616) 897-5671 9am to 3pm

# City asks for deannexation of North Washington property

By Dan Schneider

In an April letter from Lowell city manager Dave Pasquale to Vergennes Township supervisor Tim Wittenbach, the city council has asked the township to consider the deannexation of a small piece of property at the end of North Washington

The 3.63-acre parcel is owned by the city and is bound on three sides by the Lowell city line. It is one of a few parcels, totaling about 20 acres, that the city owns on North Washington. The letter states that deannexation to the city would be sensible since the property is city owned and the only road access to it must go through the city.

sense for future planning purposes" to deannex the for its annexation to the should be ready to move into property, Pasquale said.

The letter states the council has approved a days. city's intentions for the preliminary 425 agreement

property as having "some on that property, which is right now to meet some alternatives to residential retaining much of the both Vergennes and Lowell requirements," he said. wooded area." But the letter townships. also says no final decision to do with the property,

which Pasquale reiterated. "There haven't been any final decisions of the council at this point," Pasquale said. "At this point, those are my feelings on it, there hasn't the planning process for been any vote of the city expanding its pole yard and

The township is waiting the north end of Washington to take up the deannexation Street. Lowell Light and question until the issue of Power has since abandoned another property's status is its plans to expand at the settled: the 177 acres at the site in favor of moving corner of Vergennes Street its storage facility into and Alden Nash Avenue. part of the former Newell That property has been Manufacturing building on the subject of sometimes Chatham Street. contentious negotiations between the municipalities Power general manager Tom since a developer petitioned Richards said the utility city late in 2004. The city its new facility in 30 to 60

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Several months ago, and Power announced has been made about what Lowell Light and Power its intention to move and property has frontage on the approached the Vergennes purchased the building on Flat River. It is the site of at residential or you're Township Board to inquire Chatham Street, residents the Lowell boy scout cabin, looking at wooded property. about deannexation of near the North Washington a number of informal hiking I can't see any other uses the same property. At the property have speculated trails, and a rental house coming forward," he said. time, the utility thought about its future. Some owned by the city. the move would streamline hope the city will consider

Since Lowell Light

conservancy.

development subject to the approval of of the environmental development, such as residential development is selling the property to a land one of a few options for the property that makes sense The mostly-wooded to the city.

"You're either looking



# **TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN**

COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF **GRATTAN OF THE LAST DAY OF VOTER REGISTRATION** FOR THE AUGUST 8, 2006 SPECIAL ELECTION

Any qualified resident of the Township of Grattan, County of Kent, State of Michigan, who is not already registered to vote may register to vote in the special Township election to be held on the 8th day of August, 2006, in the Township.

The last day to register for the August 8, 2006 special election will be:

Monday, July 10, 2006

The Ballot Proposition to be considered at said election is as follows:

MILLAGE PROPOSITION .3577 MILL FOR TOWNSHIP GENERAL OPERATING PURPOSES RESTORATION OF PAST HEADLEE REDUCTIONS

Shall the Township of Grattan property tax rate limitation be increased, and shall said increase be levied on taxable property in the Township, in the amount of .3577 mill (\$.3577 per \$1,000 of taxable value), subject to reduction as provided by law?

The purpose of the millage levy is to offset decreases in the Township's allocated operating millage levy as a result of the Headlee Amendment. Property tax revenues generated by this millage levy will be used for general Township operations. It is estimated that a levy of .3577 mill would provide revenue of \$50,645 in the first calendar year. Revenues from the millage will be disbursed to the Township of Grattan.

The Township Clerk shall be at the Clerk's office located at the Township Hall, 12050 Old Belding Road, within the Township, on Monday, July 10, 2006 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to receive voter registrations.

This Notice is given by authority of the Township Board of the Township of Grattan, County of Kent, State of Michigan.

> Lana Green, Clerk Township of Grattan

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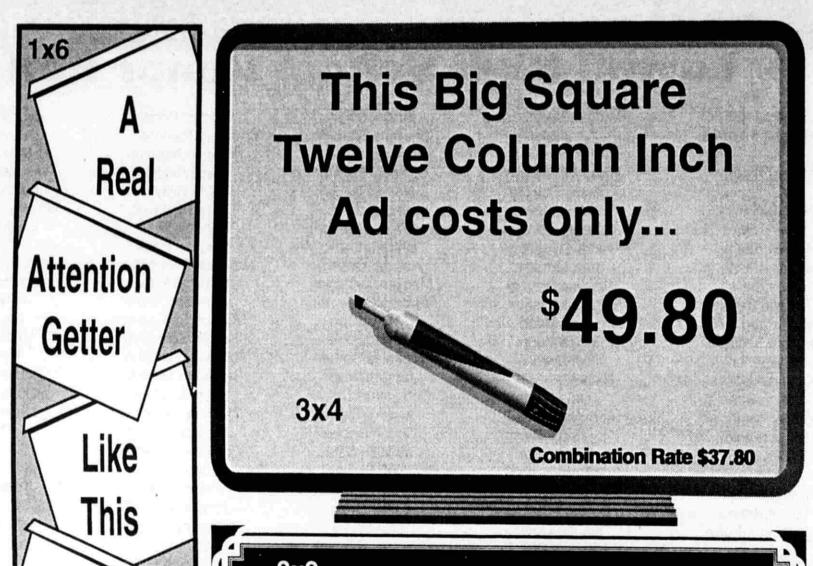
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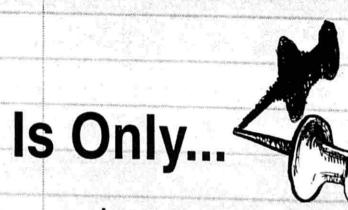
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# COMING EVENTS

THE LOWELL LEDGER - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 2006 PAGE 21 Notices in the "Coming Events" are free to any nonprofit organization in the Lowell, Ada, Alto & Saranac areas. Keep notices brief; may submit by mail, phone - 897-9261, fax -897-4809 or email - ledger@lowellbuversguide.com. All submissions are subject to available space.

# JUNE /JULY

WED., JUNE 28: Lowell Senior Neighbors traveling breakfast at Susie's 8:30 a.m. Food pantry 12:45 p.m.

THURS., JUNE 29: Junior Valentine (blues) at Riverwalk Plaza, 7-9 p.m.

THURS., JULY 6: Vergennes Cooperative Club annual fundraiser picnic at Fallasburg Park, upper level, C-1. 12:30 p.m. Bring table service, dish to pass, lawn chair. Beverages furnished.

FRI., JULY 7: 12 p.m. Pizza Lunch; 12:45 p.m. Jim & Pat Healy Golf Talk. Lowell Senior Neighbors.

FRI., JULY 7 & SAT., JULY 8: Riverwalk Festival in downtown Lowell. Fireworks Saturday at 10:15 p.m. at Stoney Lakeside Park. Used book sale plus tapes, CDs at Englehardt Library, 6-9 p.m. Fri.; 10-4 p.m. Sat.

### **MONDAYS**

Lowell High School Fellowship of Christian Athletes & Friends. 7-8:30 p.m. at Gallagher's. Call 676-1355.

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

Boy Scout Troop 102, 11 & up or completing 5th grade, meets

7-8:30 p.m. at Scout Cabin, end of N. Washington St. Call Tim Vanderwulp at 897-4302 for more info. **1ST MON.:** Regular communication of the Belding-Ionia-Lowell

Masonic Lodge #355 at 7:30 p.m. in lodge room, 211 E. Main, Belding. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. All Masons may attend. 1ST MON.: V.F.W. Post #8303 meets at 3116 Alden Nash S.E.

at 7 p.m.

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

historic museum, 84th/Alden Nash.

**3RD MON.:** Women of the Moose meetings held 7:30 p.m.

**3RD MON.:** Peripheral Neuropathy support group, 7 p.m. at Schneider Manor Community Room. Canceled for July/August. Will resume Sept 18.

3RD MON.: Lowell Showboat Garden Club meets in the Fellowship Hall at Church of the Nazarene, N. Washington St.at 7 p.m.

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

**EVERY OTHER MON.:** The Lowell Area Juggling Club meets in the Community room at Englehardt Library, 6:30 - 8 p.m. Ages 12 or older. No dues. Call 897-9879.

MON., TUES., THURS.: Alpha Women's Center, 2251 W. Main. Call 987-9533 for appt. or stop by M. 11 a.m.-5 p.m.: Tu. 6-9 p.m., Th. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Diapers, formula and clothing are available.

#### **TUESDAYS**

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

Cub Scout Pack 3188 meets at 1st United Methodist Church (as long as there is school), 6:30 p.m. 1st-5th grade boys. Contact Clarence Whittum at 897-8194 after 11 a.m.

Weight Watchers at Alto United Methodist Church, corner of Kirby & Harrison meets at 5:30 p.m. Register 1/2 hour before meeting. 800-651-6000.

Flat River Woodcarvers meet at LAAC from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Women's Community Bible Study. Free nursery and preschool story hour/craft time 9:45 - 11:15 a.m./women only at 7:15 p.m.Calvary Christian Reformed Church. Call 897-7060 or 897-7555. Active September thru April only.

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

2ND TUES .: Diabetic Support group, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Schneider Manor Community Rm., 725 Bowes Rd. 897-2760 or

SAT., JULY 8: Relay for Life car wash at Tractor Supply Co., Lowell, 10-2 p.m. Down 2 Earth Car Club to raise money to fight cancer.

WED., JULY 12: Lowell Area Fire Dept. blood drive for MI Community Blood Center, 2-7 p.m. at Look Memorial Fire Station, 315 S. Hudson,

WED., JULY 12: 8:30 a.m. Traveling Breakfast Germaine's. Lowell Senior Neighbors.

WED., JULY 12: Hooker Chapter #73 Royal Arch Masons practice in lodge room of Belding Masonic Temple, 211 E. Main, Belding.7:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

FRI., JULY 14: 12:45 p.m. Bingo. 6 p.m. Cannonsburg Picnic Pops. Lowell Senior Neighbors.

# **TUESDAYS**

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

1ST & 3RD TUES.: Lowell Lions Club, 12 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce, 113 Riverwalk Plaza, 897-5449 for information.

2ND TUES .: G.R. Chapter of the American Sewing Guild, Plainfield Senior Center, 5255 Grand River Dr. NE. 6:30 p.m. refreshments/7 program Olga -975-9977/June 231-780-1249.

2ND & 3RD TUES.: Qua-Ke-Zik Sportsman's Club, 11400 Foreman Rd., 8 p.m. www.qua-ke-zik.org. New members welcome.

2ND & 4TH TUES.: MOPS - Mothers of Preschoolers meets

at Fallasburg Park, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Call 897-8304. 2ND & 4TH TUES.: Saranac Needlers, needleart/quilting bee,

5-8:30 p.m., 4 Health Wellness Center, Bridge St., Saranac. All are welcome. Contact Bev or Melissa, 642-6466.

2ND MON.: Bowne Township Historical Society meets 7:30 at 2ND & 4TH TUES.: Knights of Columbus #7719 at St. Mary School at 7:30 p.m.

> 3RD TUES.: Parents of children w/AD/HD at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 32156 4 Mile NE/E. Beltline) at 7 p.m. Call Linda at 874-5662; teen group: call Sarah at 281-6588.

TUES./THURS.: Back to Basics Closed AA meetings at 1st Congregational Church, 404 N. Hudson. 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking.

#### WEDNESDAYS

Rotary meets at noon at City Hall, 301 E. Main, 2nd floor.

8 p.m. ALANON upstairs at 1st Congregational Church, 404 N. Hudson St.

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

1ST WED.: GR/W. Michigan Scrabble Club at Schuler's Book- S.E. at 3 p.m. store, 28th St. anytime between 5:30 - 9:30 p.m. Round Robin, bring your board, walk-ins welcome. Jan 897-5759.

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

2ND WED.: Royal Arch Masons, Hooker Chapter #73 meets at 7:30 p.m. in Belding Masonic Temple, 211 E. Main; dinner at 6:30 p.m. All Royal Arch Masons are welcome.

2ND WED.: Lowell Women's Club, noon in Schneider Manor Community Room, 725 Bowes Rd.

**2ND WED.:** Support group for Peripheral Neuropathy, 4 p.m., St. Paul's Anglican Catholic Church, Grand Rapids.Dorothy

**3RD WED.:** GR/W. Michigan Scrabble Club at Schuler's Book-

store, 28th SE anytime bet. 5:30 - 9:30 p.m. Round Robin, bring your board, all levels, walk-ins. Jan 897-5759.

### **THURSDAYS**

Weight Watchers at Lowell Nazarene Church, 201 N. Washington St. 5:30 p.m. Register 1/2 hr. before the meeting. For info. 1-800-651-6000.

Saranac Area Musicians and Singers practice at Saranac High School Band Rm. Choir:6-7 p.m./band:7-8. Kathy Maatman, 897-5981.

LOWELL AREA HISTORICAL MUSEUM: Tues., Sat and Sun. 1-4 p.m.; Thurs., 1-8 p.m.. Families: \$10; individu als \$3; 5-17 \$1.50; members are free. Call 897-7688.

ENGLEHARDT LIBRARY: Mon.- Wed. 12 - 8 p.m.; Thurs. and Fri.: 9:30 - 5 p.m.; Sat.: 9:30-1:30 p.m. 200 N. Monroe. Call 647-3920

ALTO LIBRARY: Mon. & Sat. 9:30 - 1:30 p.m.; Tues. & Wed. 12-8 p.m.; Thurs. 1-5 p.m. 647-3820.

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

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

FLAT RIVER OUTREACH MINISTRIES THRIFT SHOP Wed.- Fri. 12-6 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. 519 E. Main St. Call 897-2037.

#### **THURSDAYS**

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

St. Mary's Pregnancy Crisis Center, 402 Amity St., non-denominational help for pregnant women/adolescents, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.; Mondays: 5:30-7:30 p.m. 897-9393.

EVERY THURS.: Alcoholics for Christ. - 12 step Recovery Group for alcoholics, drug addicts & family members. 7 p.m. at Impact Church House, Norh Hudson St. Call Paul at 527-7796 for information. Family members may call Erin at 527-7796.

EVERY THURS.: Alpha Women's Center, 2251 W. Main. 987-9533, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Diapers, formula, clothing.

1ST THURS.: Michigan Hepatitis C Foundation support meetings, 7-8:30 p.m. 250 Cherry, Lacks Cancer Center, Grand

**1ST THURS.:** 4-H drama club meeting, Lowell 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.

**1ST & 3RD THURS.:** Bluegrass Jam inside Kountry Korner of Alto, 6077 Linfield, 868-6371.

2ND & 4TH THURS.: GR/W. Michigan Scrabble Club, 10 - 2 p.m. Round Robin, bring your board, all levels, walk-ins are welcome. Call Jan 897-5759 for location and more information.

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

**2ND THURS.:** Loyal Order of the Moose, men's meeting at

2ND THURS.: Genealogy-Alto Family Tree Club at Alto Library

3RD THURS.: VFW #8303 Ladies Auxiliary, 3116 Alden Nash

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

3RD THURS.: LaLeche League of Ada, Cascade, Lowell 6:30 p.m. socializing; meeting 7. Support for pregnant/breastfeeding women, Ada 752-8300.

### **FRIDAY THRU SUNDAY**

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

FRI.: Arts/Crafts volunteers, Franciscan Life Process Center. 9:30-12:30 p.m. Pat or Judy at 897-7842.

2ND SAT.: Ada Historical Society, 10:30 a.m. at Averill Historical Museum, 7144 Headley, Ada.

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

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

SUN.: Tri-town Conservation Club trap & skeet league, 5616 Dunn Rd. 12-5 p.m. Call Larry at 754-7104. Public

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(needs work) and 50+ rolls in

At least skateboarders are getting exercise instead of watching tv or playing video games!

You aren't hurting anyone talking on cell phone & driving? Tell that to the mother whose son died on the E. Beltline & Knapp because someone was talking on their cell phone! In an emergency - pull over!

Skateboarders corrupting our children & taking over our streets? That is aobsurd!!! A lot of those kids are great kids, doing something that they enjoy.

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**BABY CLOTHES** 

0-12 months, baby things, women's clothes - jackets. junior clothes, dishes, nursery organizer, stroller, infant car seat, baby swing, lots of misc. & much, much more. June 29, 30 & July 1, 8 a.m. 702 N. Washington,

YARD SALE & OPEN HOUSE

Lowell.

126 N. Hudson, Lowell. Thurs., June 29 & Fri., June 30, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath. Baby items, crib, armoire, much

**FRIDAY, JUNE 30 9-4 -**YARD SALE

DVD's, VHS, golf balls, toys, dishes, lots of misc. Corner of Lincoln Lake & Mercer.

STORE CLOSING

Now thru July 29, Tues. - Sat., noon to 5 p.m. The Bookabout, 100 W. Main, 897-6510. Books and gift items, 50% - 80% off original prices.

**TOYS & MORE** 

Collectible toys for the little kid in all of us. We also have toys for little ones, books & movies, small kitchen appliances, children to adult XXL clothing, jewelry, patio umbrella, wheel barrow, much more. July 4th & 5th, 9-? 1237 Laurie Gail (off Valley Vista, behind Rite Aid). Good stuff, good prices! No checks please!

**GARAGE SALE** 

Let them know that you

saw their ad in the

Garage Sale Guide!

Sat., July 1st, 9 to ? Helmets, exercise, jackets, books, clothes, misc. 1490 Sibley St., Lowell.

**GARAGE SALE** June 29 & 30, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., 10886 36th St., Lowell West off Alden Nash SE. Proceeds to benefit Cancer Relay for Life activity in Lowell Aug. 4. Clothing all sizes, toys, books,

household items.

**28TH STREET NEIGHBORHOOD** SALES

Thurs., June 29, Fri., June 30, Sat. July 1, 9 a.m. - ? 28th St. between Lowell View and Oberley. Lots of houses; lots of quality items.

**MOVING SALE** 

215 N. West St. Thur., June 29th - Sat., July 1st, 9 a.m. 5 p.m. Patio furniture, end tables, dining tables & chairs, computer with printer, 2 mountain bikes. cherry wood pool table (\$1,600 firm) and much, much more!!!

# OUR DEADLINE FOR THE JULY 5 EDITION IS FRI., JUNE 30 AT NOON

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Everyone does need to get their facts straight on the Governors race! Jennifer has worked to bring jobs to Michigan. Ever hear of the Free Trade Agreement? "Ole George" in Washington should start enforcing it! Most of the jobs leaving are manufacturing jobs & the governor is trying to work with these companies to keep those jobs here in Michigan. What about the mess that Engler left the state in? He's not living here- what does that say? It says he didn't want to live in the mess he created. It started on his watch.

#1. Why can't we have a KFC? #2 To LL&P don't throw out the baby with the bath water. - Dolores Alexander

What's going on with Lowell Little League baseball? My son has played for 6 yrs & this was by far the most unorganized year we have experienced. Hope we don't lose players for next year!

To the person who made the cell phone & driving comment in this week's issue - you must be a young person. An older person would not make such a stupid comment!

In 1990 we elected Dick DeVvos to the State Board of Education. He resigned after serving 2 of his 8 year term. Is that the leadership we need in Michigan?

You know I put DeVos in the same boat as Bush. Look where Bush has gotten this country! Vote for DeVos - but don't cry to me in a couple of years when it all goes south! - TJ

Hello.... Did you forget us in Florida?

After spending a week with students from Lowell, Greenville and Rockford I found that Lowell really is the best place to be. Thank you bus 2 for a wonderful experience.

First it was pay to play for sports. Now pay to play at our parks? Lowell's new slogan: Lowell, the next place to pay. Keep our parks free for everybody.

Re: Skateboarders get a clue, they are just kids having fun. It's better than seeing them hanging around doing drugs. And corrupting our children? How are they doing that.

If you are raising your children to be leaders, not followers, then you should have nothing to worry about with the skateboarders.

To you who don't appreciate the skateboarders on your streets, why don't you help get them a place to skate. Support the Lowell skate park committee! Missy Beckhorn-**Lowell Skate Park Committee** 

Let's move the billboard before I go crazy.

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If you're in the area STOP BY! **OPEN JUNE 23, 24 & 25** Reopen June 30 - July 4

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KING FOUR POST BED Solid wood w/pillowtop mattress (bought new never used). Cost \$1,000. sell \$195. 616-318-1974.

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