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\$2.4 million in cable proceeds to be invested by city into endowment fund

by Emma Palova

he city council Monday agreed to invest \$2.4 million in cable sale proceeds into the Grand Rapids Community Foundation. Once invested, the funds will be diversified at a performance rate of return over eight percent. The foundation will have no say how monies are spent, according to city manager Dave Pasquale. " T h e y pool the money with other funds," said Pasquale. Also, the foundation will not charge any fees. The final decisions may be made by an appointed advisory board, a separate board or by the city council. The council may also act as the advisory board. The board may decide not to fund certain projects, said Pasquale.

Jim Hall objected to the investment with the Grand Rapids Community Foundation due to its restrictions. However, the majority of the city council favored the investment. "The rate of return is excellent," said mayor Chuck Myers.

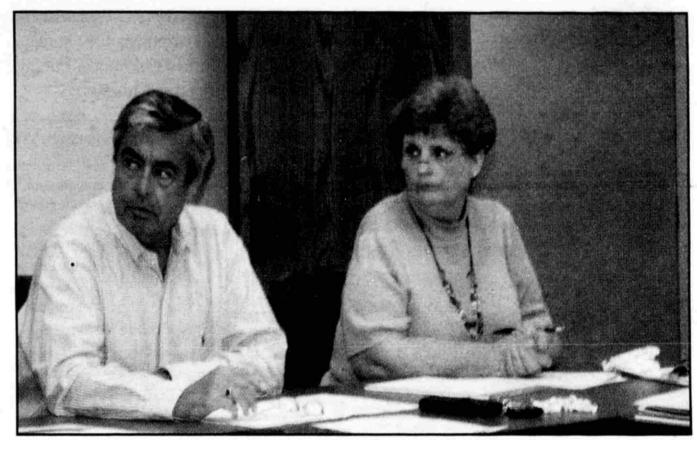
The foundation does limit the number of requests and ties up the funds for up to one year. "There's pros and cons," said Pasquale, "it allows greater sums of money for larger projects. They're conservative on multi-year commitments. They have to make sure there is sufficient money." Also, the city will be writing the checks, according to treasurer Sue Olin. Council members gave a temporary name to the fund as the LCTV Endowment Fund.

However, Jim Pfaller was in opposition of the council granting funding requests.

"We would end up with a bunch of grant requests," said Pfaller.

Pfaller wanted a separate advisory board to provide recommendations to the city council. The advisory board members would be appointed by position such as city manager, superintendent, township representatives and a bank representative.

"We want to make sure to continue to earn money



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Mayor Chuck Myers with city clerk Betty Morlock discussing investment of cable sale proceeds.

LAS begins new year with no budget info from Lansing

coming from Lansing

There is still no information at the middle school and high school. Bobbie White regarding the budget. has been hired as a part-The district had to fill time physical education one full-time position and teacher with early childhood several part-time positions. emphasis at Bushnell. Colleen Piaz is filling a part-Tara DeRuiter was hired as the Young 5's teacher time music teacher position

Jeanne Shores said the council should have the final say how monies are spent. on this," said Pasquale. "We want to figure out the best way to protect this."

The advisory board will set the bylaws how monies should be allocated. Within the next few weeks, the Grand Rapids Community

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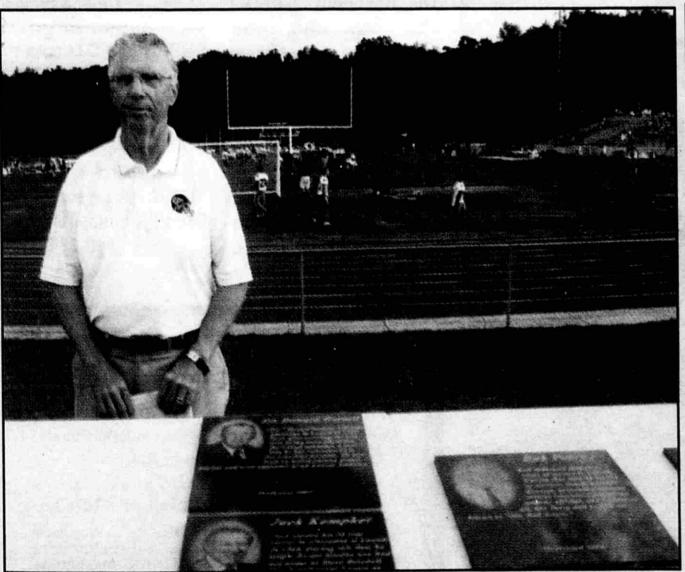
by Shelley MacNaughton

he Lowell Board Education of held its regular meeting Monday night. Superintendent Greg Pratt announced several new hires and gave an update on a potential donation of land from the Wege Foundation.

at Bushnell Elementary. Nicole Bosco fills a parttime position for art teacher

LAS budget, cont'd., pg. 4

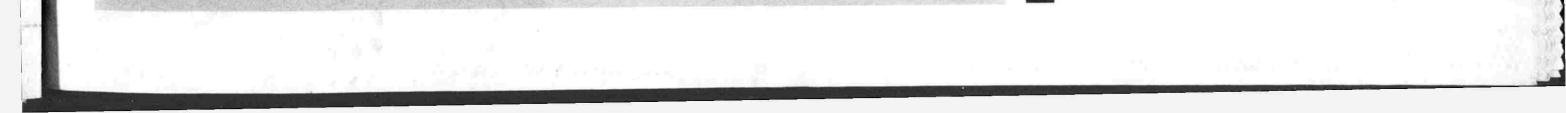
Lowell coaches and physician honored on "Wall of Fame"





uring Friday's home football game, Dr. Donald Gerard, Jack Kempker and Gary Rivers were inducted into the athletic wall of fame, joining Charlie Pierce from two weeks earlier. The athletic honor wall was erected in 2006 to honor individuals who have contributed a minimum of 10 years of service to Lowell High School athletics. Dr. Gerard is pictured with the plaques at Friday's game. In 1963, Dr. Gerard became the team physician for the varsity football team, a position he still holds today. Jack Kempker is pictured with his family at the beginning of the game. Kempker was the varsity boys' basketball coach starting in 1963. Gary Rivers, who passed away in 1998, was also honored for 38 years as the wrestling coach. On August 24, Charlie Pierce, who passed away in 2003, was inducted before the start of the football game. Pierce was the varsity football coach starting in 1958 and taught in the district.

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KING Eugene King, aged 86, longtime resident of Lowell, passed away on Monday, September 3, 2007. He is survived by his loving wife of 40 years, Avis; three Faith Hospice and Emerald the utility's property. children, Wavne (Ginger) King. Sharon Dunn, grandchildren; two great-Gary (Dorothy) Cooper, Pfeiffer Farms SW, Byron property to trespass. Jack Cooper; sister, Rosita Center, MI 49315. (Don) Leaf. Gene served

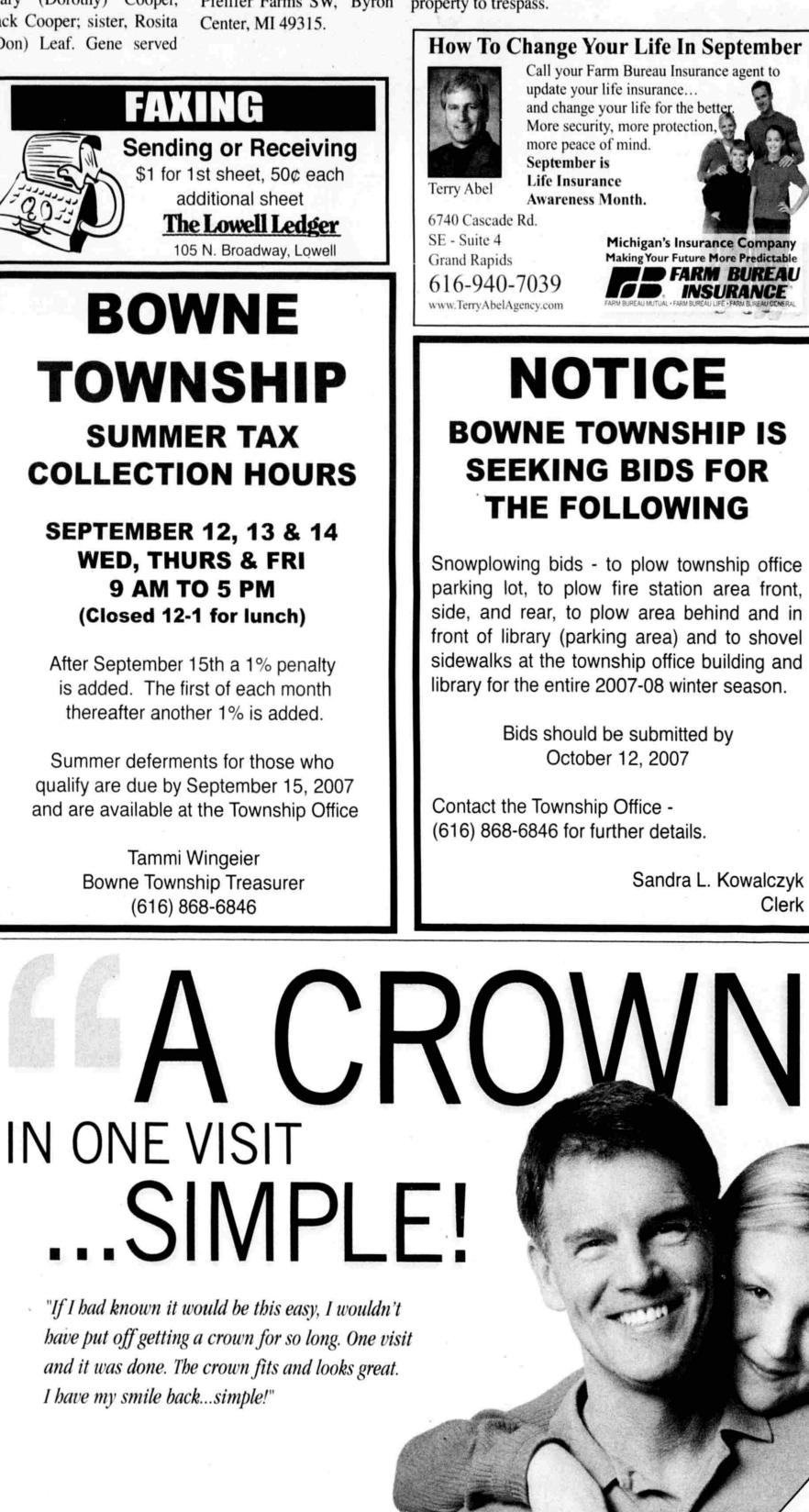
his country in World War II in Europe after the war, he Auto Service and Sales in Consumers Energy Lowell. The family would reminding people Meadows for their car and

Consumers Energy reminds hunters that utility land is private property

With hunting season owned and operated Gene's gearing up in Michigan, 15 that like to thank the staff at hunting is not allowed on

compassion. Following safety of neighbors, utility Carolyn McCarthy; five his wishes cremation has workers and others. It also taken place and no services addresses the concerns of grandchildren; one great- will be held. Memorial neighboring landowners great-grandson; brothers contributions are suggested that irresponsible hunters Clyde (Evelyn) Cooper, to Faith Hospice, 8214 will use Consumers Energy

asking are remember to hunters that Consumers Energy property is private land, not public property," said James Feahr, Consumers The ban protects the Energy's land management field representative. "Responsible hunters do not hunt on the private property of others. We ask that Consumers Energy land be treated the same as other



guidelines."

Special hunting provisions apply Consumers Energy has to Consumers Energy-owned prepared a brochure, "To lands bordering its AuSable, Our Michigan Neighbors," Manistee and Muskegon which provides guidelines river hydroelectric plant for landowners, developers and others on use of utility reservoirs, where hunting permitted. However, property. The brochure is construction of hunting covers how to secure and blinds, target shooting, use easements, leases and baiting, burning and fire licenses on Consumers pits are strictly prohibited Energy property, and on all Consumers Energy information on who to lands. In addition, use of contact before digging on dirt bikes, ATVs or other utility land. A copy of the off-road vehicles are not brochure is available on the allowed on utility property utility's website at www. due to resource damage, consumersenergy.com and the potential danger to then typing "land brochure" drivers and passengers and in the search function. possible damage to utility equipment.

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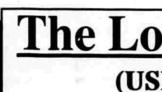
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City approves cruiser lease/extends sweeping contract

by Emma Palova

The city council last Tuesday approved the lease/ purchase of two police cruisers from Good Chevrolet for an annual lease of \$14,000.

lowest bid, council mem-However, Good Chevrolet \$184,000 with interest.

has been active in the community, according to the majority of the council.

In related business, the city extended the sweeping contract with Sandy Sweep until the end of this year. council will discuss the Covert. "We can't do any-Since this was not the Next year, the city may consider a purchase option of a ington property in a work don't have the funding. Give ber Jeanne Shores was con- new vacuum street sweeper session on Oct. 8. The city us the same opportunity like cerned that others may be with fluid coupler drive will open up the discussion to a developer." discouraged from bidding. and single side broom for to proposals from all par-

The city sweeps eight times a year from April to November, according to Department of Public Works director Dan DesJarden.

In other business, the future of the North Wash-

ties. However, in any case the property will first be appraised

options other than development," said resident Peggy thing with that because we

Pregnancy center holds month-long fundraiser

The St. Mary Pregnancy Center is holding a fundraiser through the raise money and goods.

Donation boxes for baby products are located at Mary Church. the Lowell Area Chamber

Fifth Third Bank, Brenda's non-profit, non-sectarian, Hair Design, Cousins' month of September to Hallmark, Salon 206, The center is supported Larkin's, Lowell Branch by donations and receives YMCA, Kieser's, and St. no government funding.

of Commerce, Springrove Center, an outreach ministry

Variety, Huntington Bank, of St. Mary Church, is a and non-political agency. Located at 402 Amity St., St. Mary Pregnancy the center establishes a

close personal relationship with each individual client For more information about the fundraising, or to make a pledge, call Horsch at 897-2083 or Patty Judd at 868-0452.

Voter identification policies outlined

To ensure an orderly introduction of the state's voter ID law, Secretary officer. of State Terri Lynn Land today released instructional materials to Michigan's circumstances. Those who • U.S. passport election officials designed have no ID, or simply forgot • Military ID with photo to aid them with the implementation of the requirement.

Beginning with the Nov. 6 election, voters will be asked to show a photo ID - or sign a form stating that they don't have one - before receiving a ballot. The requirements are the result of a 1996 law recently determined to be enforceable by the Michigan Supreme Court.

"Weare working closely with local election officials to ensure they have the tools and information they need to effectively communicate the requirement to their election day workers so they can properly serve are current:

the voters," said Land, • Driver's license or personal

"The law recognizes •Federal or state governmentthat people have different issued photo identification voter ID law, we can all higher learning look forward to a smooth, orderly experience on with photo. Election Day."

ask voters to show a photo ID as part of the usual ballot application process at the requirement by showing a Michigan driver's license or Michigan personal identification card.

can show any of the following forms of picture ID as long as the documents

Michigan's chief election identification card issued by another state

to bring it to the polls, can • Student identification with still vote. By working photo from a high school together to understand the or accredited institution of

Tribal identification card

The ID must include the Election workers will person's photo and name. It does not have to include a residential address.

polls. Voters can satisfy the have an acceptable form of photo ID can still vote. They merely sign a brief form stating that they are not in possession of identification. ID law adds another layer Voters who do not Their ballots are included of security that ensures the possess either document with all others and are integrity of our elections." counted on Election Day.

Land emphasized that voters cannot be challenged by an election inspector or poll challenger just because they sign the form. Any challenge to a voter who signs the form, as is the case with all voters, must be because the inspector or challenger has "good reason to believe" that the person is not qualified to vote in the precinct.

The state Bureau of Elections is conducting comprehensive training on the voter ID law for local Anyone who does not election officials statewide. "We must not only

exercise our sacred right to vote but protect it as well," said Land. "Michigan's voter

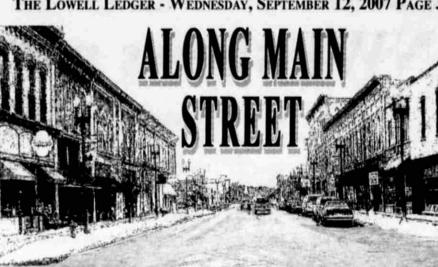






"We're trying to get





BLUEGRASS MUSIC FESTIVAL Bands, jamming, food, camping, family event Sept. 14 - 16 at Fairgrounds.

ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES

Sign up at the Nazarene Church Fri., Sept. 14, 6 - 8 p.m. or Sat., Sept. 15, 10 -12 noon. Everyone welcomed. Any questions call 897-7395.

LHS OPEN HOUSE

Monday, Sept. 17 with a picnic in the Freshman Commons from 6-6:30 p.m., the open house will follow from 7-8:30 p.m. You will follow your students' schedule and meet their teachers. For more information you may call 987-2900.

LOWELL AREA HISTORICAL MUSEUM

The museum will be presenting The Soldier In Our Civil War with local Civil War historian Bruce Butgereit on Tuesday, Sept. 18 at the Lowell Township Hall at 7 p.m. Don DeJong, sexton, will share stories of the Civil War veterans buried at Lowell's Oakwood Cemetery. Free admission / donations accepted. Light refreshments will be served. For information contact Linda Barnes 897-7688.

PHOTO CONTEST

Eastern Kent county Open Space Council Photo Contest entries due to township halls Sept. 10-14. Opening reception is Tues., Sept. 18, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Cascade Library's Wisner Center. See www.vergennestwp.org or www.twp.lowell.mi.us for entry information and form.

LOWELL AREA HISTORICAL MUSEUM

The public is invited to a retirement open house for July Straub on Sept. 20 at the museum from 3 to 7 p.m.

FLOWERS FOR FALLASBURG FESTIVAL

The Decorations Committee for Lowell's annual Fallasburg Fall Festival is looking for fresh-cut flowers to use at this year's event, being held Sept. 29 & 30. Please contact Carol Briggs 897-5501 by Friday, Sept. 21 if you have garden flowers that could be harvested for this event.

ST. MARY PREGNANCY CENTER FUNDRAISER

For the month of September donations can be dropped off at: Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce, Springrove Variety, Fifth Third Bank, Huntington Bank, Brenda's Hair Design, Cousins Hallmark, Salon 206, Gary's Meat Market, Keisers, Larkins, Lowell Branch YMCA, Dollar General, Rite Aid and St. Mary Church.

SLEIGH BELLS & HOLLY

Call for artists, this year there is room for a few new artists. Nov. 8 - Dec. 22 at Lowell Area Arts Council, 149 S. Hudson, Lowell. Mail applications to Lowell Area Arts Council, PO Box 53, Lowell, MI 49331 or email application to info@ lowellartscouncil.org. Applications must be received by September 30.

FREE/REDUCED PRICE SCHOOL MEALS

A new free/reduced meal application must be filled out at the start of every school year. Applications are available at each school office the August Directions and the LAS home page at www.lowellschools.com

Questions? Contact Kay Hahn, Director of Dining Services at 987-2964 or khahn @lowellschools.com.

2007 LHS HOMECOMING PARADE

If you would like to participate in the parade, Friday, Sept. 28, please call Parker Liu at 481-3151. We are also looking for any convertible vehicles to participate.

2008 ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Lowell Women's Club is offering the books to raise funds for Senior High School girls scholarships and local projects. The books are only \$20 and are paced with 50% off and 2-for-1 offers. The books are good thru October 2008 and are available at Brenda's Hair Design, Huntington Bank, Lowell Area Arts Council and from club members or call Mari 897-8107.

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NWF shows people how to garden on the wild side

kinds of birds, butterflies, and other wildlife, while helping to protect the local Mrs. B's environment. residential property is now recognized as an official

Teresa Baker - Mrs. B National Wildlife Federation Backyard Wildlife Habitat of"The Backyard Boutique, (NWF) Backyard Wildlife program in 1973, and has in Lowell, MI - put out Habitat site. The owner of since certified over 70,000 the welcome mat for all "The Backyard Boutique" habitats joined the many habitat By creating a backyard enthusiasts who, with the habitat, Mrs. B learned help of NWF, have turned the rewards of "gardening their backyards into enticing for wildlife." The program wildlife refuges. the NWF began

nationwide. teaches the importance of environmental stewardship by providing people the guidelines for making their landscapes more hospitable to wildlife.

Habitat restoration is critical for wildlife in urban and suburban settings where commercial and residential development encroaches on natural areas. Changing landscapes to encourage more wildlife also enhances the environment's quality by improving the air, soil and water throughout the community. This effort promotes common sense conservation by reducing and eliminating the need for fertilizers, pesticides or irrigation water.

Protecting the natural beauty of places we love and the wildlife they support is at the heart of America's conservation ethic, and connecting with nature in our backyard can feed our sole, lift the spirit, mend the heart, and renew faith in our country's tomorrow.

The National Wildlife Spa!!! Looking for great unique gift ideas, stop in! Federation unites people

LAS budget, continued ... From Page 1

variety of experience and the most money. talent they bring to the district," Pratt said.

student

though working the majority \$6000. "It is the goal to great job." of her day at St. Patrick make one child's wish come School; she'll also spend true," Barkacs said. Possible the board on the Wege some time at Bushnell. "I methods for raising money Land Donation. This past would like to welcome the include a Change War in spring, staff to Lowell Area Schools which classes throughout the was - they all have a wonderful district compete to collect representatives from the

a curriculum update. property located east of Tyler Barkacs, a Grades third through fifth Alden Nash, near the high representative, are currently working on school for recreational use offered a student council the "First Twenty Days by the community. The update. "Oh, the Places of Reading and Writing." Wege Land Committee You'll Go" by Dr. Seuss The district Young 5's hopes to select a firm to has been chosen as the Program is strengthening the conduct a Recreations Needs homecoming theme for alignment between Young Assessment and Feasibility this year. The high school 5's and kindergarten. The Study within the next two students have chosen a high school has switched weeks. The committee charity partnership with the to trimester scheduling, should have a plan in place Make-A-Wish Foundation Bearup said it was a "great by mid-November for Mr. to go along with the beginning to the school year, Wege's review. homecoming festivities, our kids are working hard

for Lowell Area Schools Students hope to raise and our teachers are doing a

Greg Pratt updated the community approached by Wege Foundation regarding Roger Bearup provided a potential donation of

Cable proceeds, continued

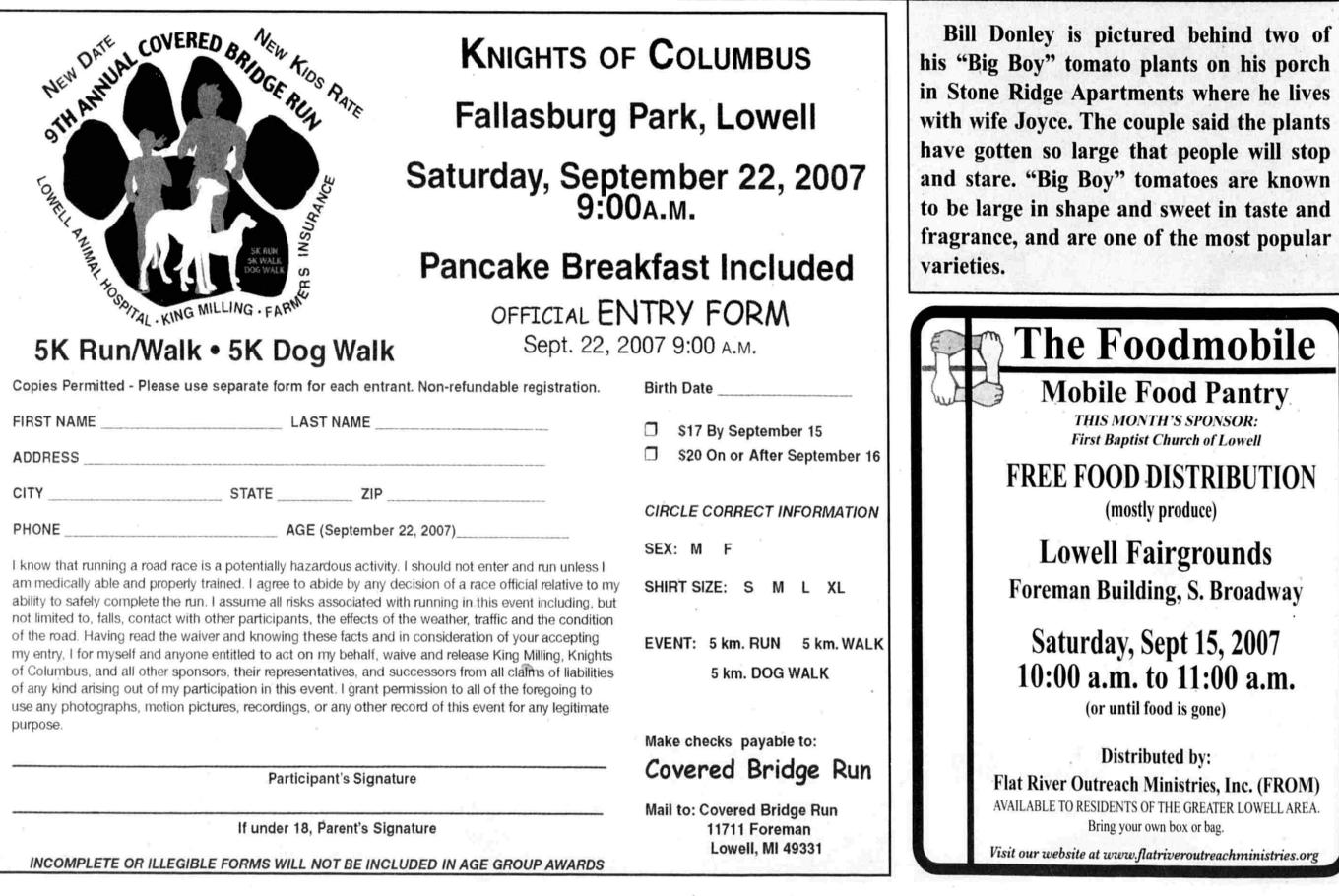
Foundation will provide more information on authority and how to determine allocations The council will hold a

allocations.

At the next council name of the fund. meeting Monday, the city is

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public hearing to further expected to pass resolutions determine the authority and on the investment into the endowment fund and the





from all walks of life to protect nature, wildlife. and the world we all share. Backyard The Boutique at 219 E. Main St. offers a great selection of Decorative Garden Décor - bird houses, bird feeders and bird baths to help encourage beautiful

wildbirds to your backyard; some with built-in heaters for winter use. Spoil your backyard songbirds this winter with a Bird Bath

Local man grows giant tomato plant

Viewpoint To The Editor

To the Editor

What is the plan for the Washington Street property when Sandy and Gary are driven from the little home they have cared for so many years? There must be some valuable compensation in the works?

Making a **College** Education More Affordable With Senator Carl Levin

Earning a college degree is an important and increasingly necessary stop on the way to a successful career for young people here in Michigan and across the country. Students with a bachelor's degree will earn 70 percent more on average than those with only a high school diploma, which translates to a million dollars over the course of a lifetime. That gap becomes \$3.7 million when comparing a high school diploma with a professional degree.

At the same time, paying for a college education has become a daunting task. In Michigan, the cost of one year at a four-year public college jumped 39 percent between largely stagnant.

Even when low- and middle-income students succeed in making ends meet and get their degree, they often graduate with a huge financial burden. Six in ten college students in Michigan graduate with student loan debt, and for many students the growing cost of tuition has pushed their loans to unprecedented levels.

To help bridge this gap, Congress recently passed the largest federal investment in higher education since the GI Bill. This legislation – the College Cost Reduction and Access Act – will provide a boost to students and families who are struggling to meet the rising costs of postsecondary education.

the federal Pell grant program, which helps thousands of students in Michigan pay for college every year. It increases the maximum grant to \$5,100 next year and \$5,400 by 2012 for students and families...

What is to happen next June when they have to move out? Who is to gain? Stay tuned.

Also, an idea for the Comcast money. Use the Comcast money to bury the power lines and save the trees! Jan Johnson

from just \$4,050 last year and increases the top income level at which a student is eligible for the maximum grant. These changes would bring an additional \$80 million to Michigan next year and an additional \$689.6 million over the next five years.

This legislation also helps to direct resources to the **125 YEARS AGO** schools that are most in need. The new TEACH Grant THE LOWELL JOURNAL program will provide \$4,000 per year scholarships to top-**SEPTEMBER 13, 1882** notch college students who commit to teaching critical Lowell is deeply interested in baseball this season. We subjects in high-need schools after graduation. An additional have two good clubs here-the Alerts and Accidentals - and \$500 million will also be invested in colleges and universities material for one or two more. that provide underserved populations with the chance to earn Miss Emma MacDonald of Grand Rapids, an artist of a degree.

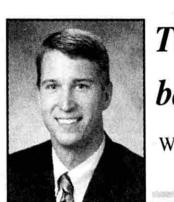
For graduates facing student loan debt, this legislation reforms the student loan system to ease the burden on student borrowers. Interest rates will be cut in half to 3.4 percent for undergraduate students with subsidized loans. In addition, monthly student loan payments will be capped at 15 percent the 2000-2001 and 2005-2006 school years to more than of the borrower's discretionary income so students no longer \$13,500. That puts a huge strain on the family budget, have to decide between buying groceries and paying off especially when federal student aid programs have been their loans. And students will be encouraged to give back to the community: federal student loans will be forgiven after ten years of service in public sector jobs such as teaching, nursing or law enforcement.

> To see how these changes will help, consider a recent graduate in Michigan who accepts a teaching position with a starting salary of \$35,557 and student loans totaling \$18,942, both state averages. His or her monthly loan payment would be reduced by 29 percent. After ten years of teaching the growers. remaining federal debt would be forgiven, a benefit worth more than \$10,000. These changes will provide a manageable way for students to borrow money for their education and pay it back.

With so much at stake, we in Congress have a This much-needed legislation significantly expands responsibility to help make a college education attainable for every American. The legislation passed by Congress, which the President is expected to sign into law, is a victory

for the bus when the stop signs are out.

the car with someone they don't know.



Time for back to school With Rep. Dave Hildenbrand

As summer comes to a close and children are back in school, it is important to remember that safety is an issue that should be at the forefront of our mind. It's important for all of us to review some safety measures.

• Bus safety: Children need to walk at least 10 feet in front of the bus and remember to look both ways before crossing the street, making sure that the bus driver clearly sees them and signals that it is ok to cross.

As drivers, we must keep our eyes out for children

Letters... We love to hear from you!

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crossing the street during our early-morning commute, as well as on our way home from work in the afternoon. Be on the lookout for flashing yellow lights behind buses indicating that the bus will stop, and keep at least a 15-foot distance in front of or behind a stopped bus. Always stop

• If your child is walking to school, be sure he or she is walking with a buddy-an older sibling or a friend. Make sure to plan out a route with your child that he or she will be taking to and from school, and get to know neighbors along the way so that your child can have a safe place to go to if necessary. Remind them to be alert and never get in

Children are never too old for safety tips and neither are adults. It's always a good idea to refresh on these important tips as we start another school year. Let's get the school year off to a great start by keeping our kids safe.



excellent taste and skill, will be in Lowell next Saturday afternoon for the purpose of securing the names of those who desire to take lessons in painting.

100 YEARS AGO THE LOWELL LEDGER **SEPTEMBER 12, 1907**

The Heinz Company has issued circular letters to the Michigan contract pickle growers stating that owing to unfavorable crop conditions, high prices and scarcity of farm labor, the company has decided to pay an increase of 10 cents per bushel for vat run pickles and five cents per bushel for large pickles over the contract price making the price 70 cents and 25 cents some to rule from the beginning of the season. This means a substantial gain for our cucumber

75 YEARS AGO THE LOWELL LEDGER AND ALTO SOLO **SEPTEMBER 8, 1932**

A caravan of 50 or more of the friends and neighbors of Dexter G. Look will leave Friday morning in automobiles for a tour of the 2nd Legislative District of Kent County. As the school year is ushered in, parents are requested to send their children to school whenever possible.

50 YEARS AGO THE LOWELL LEDGER **SEPTEMBER 12, 1957**

Lowell doctors report that small quantities of the Asian Flu vaccine are available for workers in essential fields and others who have physical difficulties that make flu shots advisable

Fluorides added to Lowell water.

Only one traffic ticket was issued in Lowell during the last weekend. It was of minor nature.

25 YEARS AGO THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER **SEPTEMBER 8, 1982**

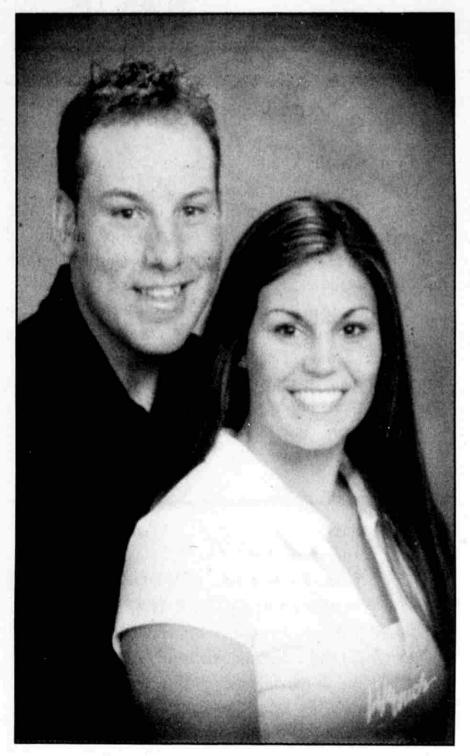
The financially burdened Lowell Showboat is kicking off a huge raffle that will hopefully generate revenues to be used to pay off part of the corporation's long term debt.

Sixty artists and craftsmen have been chosen to sell their work at the 14th annual Fallasburg Fall Festival Sept. 25-26 at Fallasburg Park.

Kentree Polo Club to host Bond Challenge Tournament on Flat River Field on Fallasburg Park Road one mile north of Fallasburg Park.

Engagements

Ford/Tucker



Kristen Ford and Richard Tucker

Kristen Ford Lynn William Elementary School. Her Kurtz from Toledo, OH.

parents are Bob and Mary Ford of Lowell. The future Tucker, both of California, groom is a graduate of Maryland will be joined in Bedford High School, is marriage on July 26, 2008 attending The College of in Grand Rapids. The bride- Southern Maryland and he to-be is a graduate of Lowell is in the United States Navy. High School and Western His parents are Robert and Michigan University. She Karen Tucker from Samaria, is teaching at Park Hall MI and Mona and Glenn



Residents living in around the Saranac and community can be screened to reduce their risk of having a stroke or a serious bone fracture. Life Line Screening will be at Saint Anthony's on October 10th. The site is located at 6070 David Highway in Saranac. Appointments will begin at 9 a.m.

A stroke, also known as a "brain attack," is ranked as the third leading killer in the world, and the leading cause of nursing home admissions. Stroke often occurs without warning. The good news is that painless screening can help identify problems that is too late.

painless and low cost. They the arteries." Sufferers have

arteries, abdominal aortic aneurysms, and hardening of the arteries in the legs. Bone density screening is also offered to assess the risk of osteoporosis.

These screenings are important because of the silent and often debilitating nature of the conditions. The majority of strokes are caused by plaque build up in the carotid arteries. The abdominal aorta is the largest artery in the body, and a weakness in the walls of the artery can cause a ballooning called an aneurysm, which can rupture. Aruptured aneurysm can lead to stroke before it is generally fatal. Peripheral arterial disease or PAD is Screenings are fast, also known as "hardening of

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I'm living so far beyond my income that we may almost be said to be living apart.

need a name and credentials if they are going to change their lifestyle from that which is familiar to that which is unknown, unfamiliar and new. "God said to Moses, 'I Am Who I Am." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I Am has sent me to you."" (Ex.3:14) Then God went on to tell Moses to inform the people that he (Moses) is being sent by "the Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the god of Isaac, and the God of Jacob ... " The writer of Exodus here in recognizes that the people will only follow the God whose name they recognize, the God who is familiar to them.

It is true; you and I follow the God or god that is familiar land and will be making a request that will have far reaching to us. Our children will do the same. In fact, in our time the struggle that faces each person is to follow the true God, the God that can fill the Spiritual hunger of our deepest longings and set us free to live the joy and love that leads to peace, justice and true Spiritual community. The god known by the name status, possessions, investments, personal power, selffulfillment, or by any other name that justifies "business as usual" is not that God. But, is this the only name of God that our children, our culture, or our community will come to know? We are challenged to examine what is that motivates our life, that to which we look to set us free. Our god may

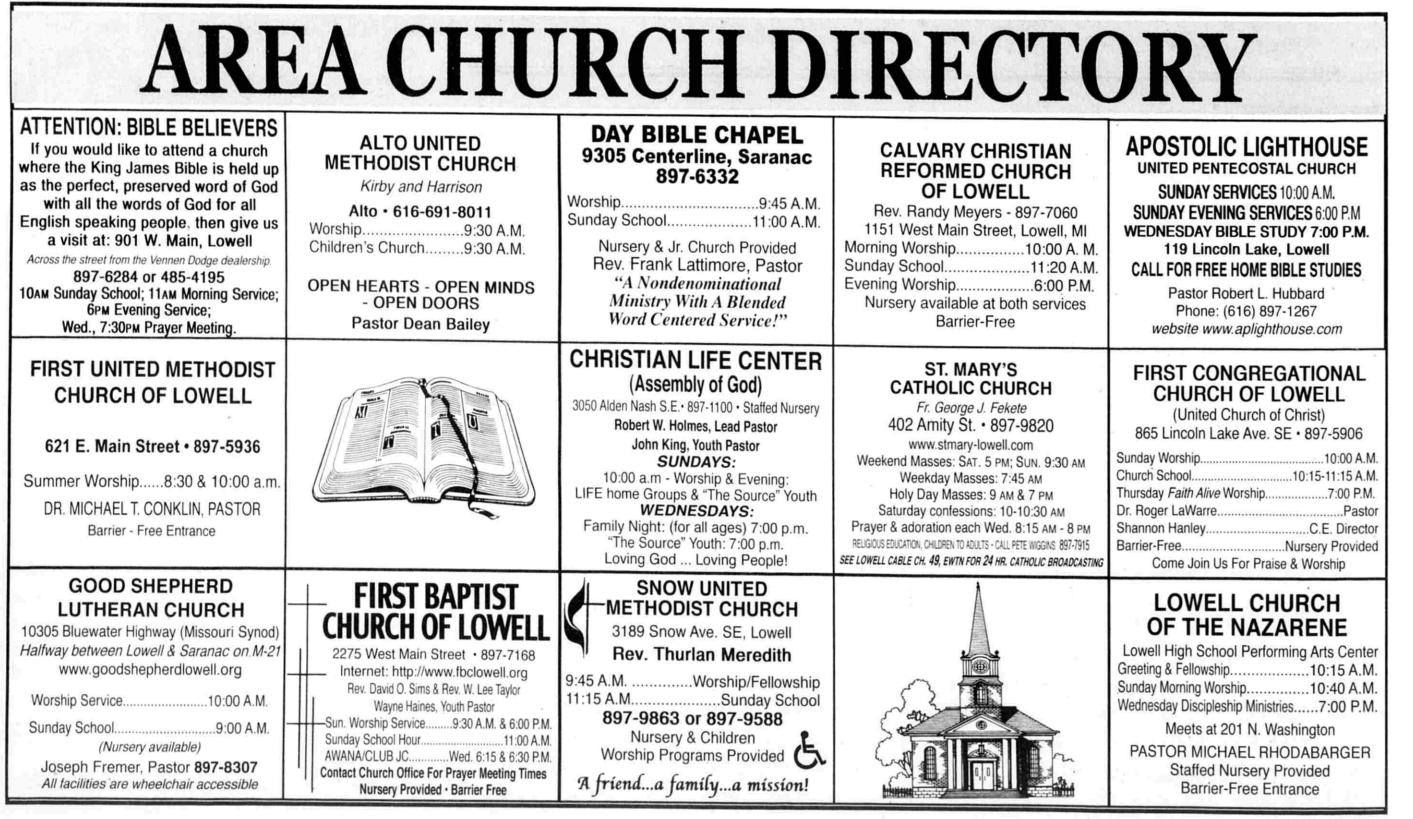


Pastor of First Congregational UCC of Lowell

In the familiar story of Moses' conversation with God at the location of the Burning Bush, God tells Moses that he will be sent on a mission to the highest political leader of the consequences to the economy of Egypt. Moses is to request that all the Israelites be set free. This is tantamount to asking the government to remove all of its key labor resources thus drastically destroying its Gross National Production. Moses understands that a ruler is going to want to know under what authority this should be done. Moses is going to need to have names and credentials to impress the Pharaoh if such a drastic request is going to be honored.

In our story of Exodus, Moses is not only skeptical about Pharaoh's response to him; Moses is not convinced that the people of Israel will welcome him with open arms. People truly be too small.





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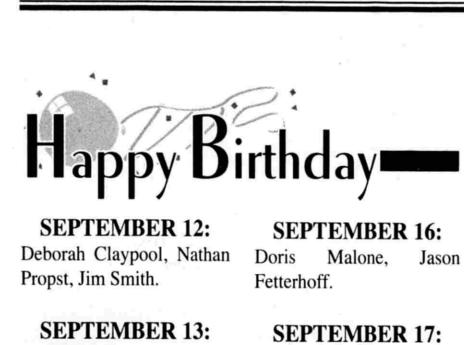
LUMP SUM VS. ANNUITY: THE CHOICE IS YOURS

Does your employer offer a pension? If so, you'll want to be familiar with your payout options before it's time to start taking money out - because your choice can have a big impact on your retirement income.

If you participate in a pension (also known as a "defined benefit" plan), you'll receive, upon retirement, a specific amount of money based on your salary history and years of service. But how you take that money is up to you.

You have two basic options: You can accept the pension as a series of annuity payments, spread out over your lifetime or a certain number of years, or you can take the money as a lump sum. (Not all pension plans offer the lump-sum option, however.)

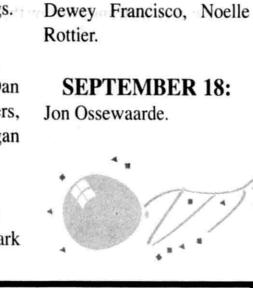
Which option is better? There's no one "right" answer for everyone. But before you retire, you should go over some possible arguments for both choices. Here are a few to consider:



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• Can help you leave more to loved ones - Once you and your spouse die, annuity payments from a pension may stop. However, if you take a lump sum and then reinvest the proceeds into other securities, you may have more assets available to leave to family members.

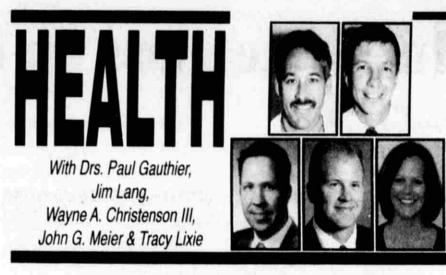
• Can help you control when you pay taxes - Your annuity payments will be taxable. Your lump sum is also taxable, but if you roll it into an IRA, you'll have more control over when you take funds and pay income taxes, provided you are over 59 1/2.

Choosing an annuity

· Can give you greater flexibility in managing retirement income - If you choose to accept your defined benefit period. Some women may have back pain or rectal pain There are many health problems that may have similar payments as an annuity, you may be able to structure the payments to match your needs and goals. Your options may symptoms. The only way to truly diagnose endometriosis include a "straight-life" annuity that provides a monthly is to do a laparoscopy. This is a way of looking inside the payment for your lifetime or a "joint and survivor" annuity abdomen by making a small cut in the skin an putting a thin tube inside. that covers your life and that of your spouse. Or, you may There are medicines like ibuprofen and acetaminophen. be able to choose a "level income" option, which provides you with larger payments before you start receiving Social Taking birth control pills also might help with the pain. There are some hormonal medications that stop your periods. This Security and smaller payments after. Another option may might cause side effects similar to menopause, such as hot be a "period certain" payout; under this arrangement, you flashes and vaginal dryness. would receive a reduced annuity over your lifetime, but if Some women need surgery to treat their endometriosis. you were to die during a specified period, such as ten years, Surgery might make it easier for one to get pregnant. There monthly payments would be made to your beneficiary for are several different types of surgery that can be done to the remainder of the ten-year period.



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ENDOMETRIOSIS

Endometriosis is a problem with the tissue that lines your uterus. Normally, every month when a woman has her period, this tissue comes out in your menstrual flow. With endometriosis, tissue grows on your ovaries, abdominal wall, bladder, or other areas in your pelvis. During a period. this tissue swells and bleeds, which can be very painful.

A woman may have endometriosis if there is very bad cramping and pain during sex or at the beginning of the

Intricate glass on display at Lowell Area Arts Council

By Emma Palova .

fused into a marvelous drama. exhibit at the arts council.

Glass" show on slender groups by individual artists anything else. was an art in itself.

"It's like a theater play," said co-curator Kathleen Mooney.

Colors, patterns and reminds of a play where typically see, and artists you meant to be a sink. even words trapped in artists are the actors, and the don't typically see anywhere intricate glass designs have interaction of colors is the else."

Staging the "Studio had a glass art show before. such as blowing, lamp Intrinsic in its nature, the working, casting, fusing, black and silver blocks in show is different than mosaics, stained glass and

> "I love the diversity," said co-curator Susan fused and slumped glass

Theexhibitencompasses mixed media.

Molnar's "Reborn"

The show indeed Molnar. It's glass you don't fountain was originally

"It was born to another purpose," said Molnar.

Molnar, owner of Glass And Lowell has never different glass work methods House Designs Gallery, has recruited top independent glass artists from all over West Michigan.

> enough to make it happen," said Molnar. "It's individual art created by artists in touch with the glass medium."

Molnar along with Mooney are also among the many featured glass artists.

Working with compatible glass temperatures around 1,500

its own sets of problems. "It has to be guided through the temperature process," said Molnar. "The creation is fragile as well. display. It's both process and art. You don't have a lot of control."

However, watching what happens is part of the magic of working with glass.

vou," said Molnar. Indeed, the glass talks

to you as it assumes first the honey like consistency and

merges together creating feel the tree trunks and then new colors and patterns.

After firing and cooling in his artist statement. the design resolution begins, glass in sculpture. "The colors

patterns, the transparent composition and color. and opaque, the thin and the Mooney.

is all about the excitement of schedule. creating something new that never existed before.

sparkles," said Molnar. Gary Dietzel's blown

and eye of the spectator. In the tall cabinet,

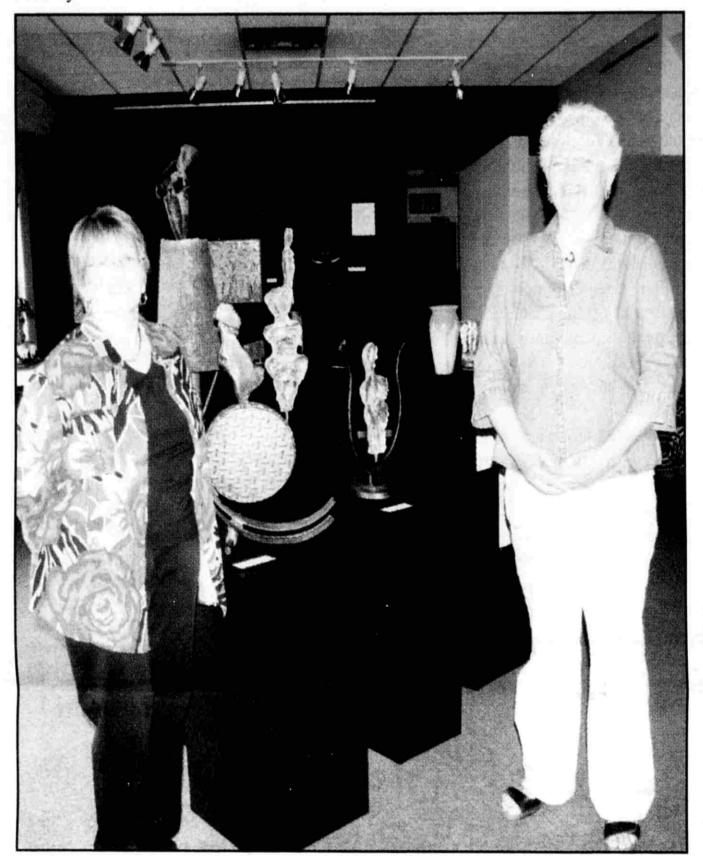
"They represent years glass. of working with glass," wrote Dietzel in his artist memories."

"Let the glass talk to visitors to touch his glass art p.m. which is called GlasScapes. glass landscape art.

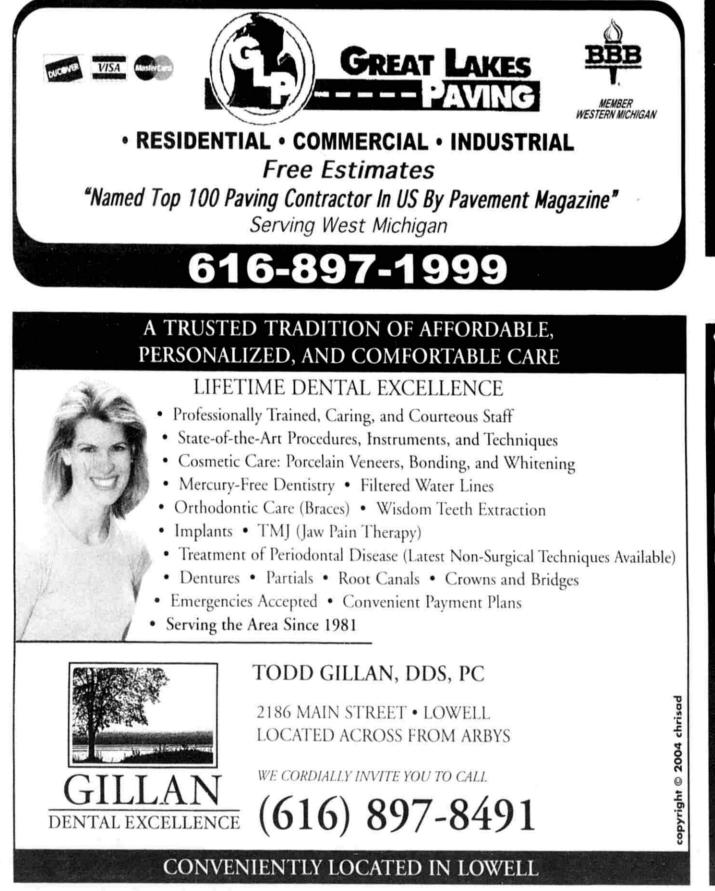
"Feel the tree tops, then



Mooney's fused glass has a poem trapped in it.



Studio glass co-curators Susan Molnar and Kathleen Mooney have put together a stunning show.





the grass below," Tagg wrote

He fashions the ideas the actual integration of the for his landscapes in other media such as charcoal and or pastels to work out the

Then using glass as "We wanted it long thick possibilities of glass his canvas and handmade are exciting to me," said tools, Tagg applies and manipulates finely ground For Mooney, fusing glass glass combined with firing

After repeated firings, Tagg's vision becomes "It's pretty, shiny and it dimensional glass landscape art.

Judy Apol's stained glass pumpkins give glass pieces adorn the degrees that melts in kilns has immediate joy to the heart windows of the arts council with purple hues.

> The intrinsic show is a glass pieces from Dietzel's must see as it is presented personal collection are on in its entirety with all the challenges of working with

> Most pieces are for sale. Proceeds from sales benefit statement, "they have many the arts council. A public reception will be held on Artist Steve Tagg invites Sept.16 from 2 p.m. to 4

For more information go Tagg developed dimensional to www.lowellarts council. org.

Franciscan Life fest enjoys good turnout



Sister Barbara Cline roasts corn while Adam and Greg Stancroff help out.





where the Life fest weekend kicked off with a retreat. The auction Saturday night with a formal dinner and presentation by National Geographic photographer Steve Uzzell enjoyed a turnout of 200 people, according to director of the Franciscan Life Process Center, Sister Colleen Nagle.

full of tricks.





The red and yellow autumn splendor created a fabulous backdrop for the 19th annual Franciscan Sisters Life fest last weekend.

Bales of hay and corn ears adorned the large white tents where Mass was served on Sunday. A horse-drawn shuttle was available to tour the Sisters' property out to the yurts

On Sunday, the Life fest culminated with a "Country Sampler" family picnic. The picnic offerings included bratwurst, hot dogs, corn on the cob dipped in butter and roasted by Sister Barbara Cline, chips and veggie sticks.

Live music was provided by "Dixieland" band and "Cloggers," as artisans demonstrated their skills. The Flat River Wood Carvers were represented by Jerry Francis. Also present was Lowell blacksmith Frank Leasure.

Clowns Petunia and Scooter entertained both adults and children with their laundry bag

Monies raised will support the centers scholarship programs.

Woodcarver Jerry Francis with her carved merchandise.



RED ARROW SPORFFS

Lowell High School tennis continues winning streak

by Molly Benningfield

Editor

The boys' tennis team has continued its winning streak with a win against Greenville Monday night and a first place in the Caledonia Invitational Saturday.

Chase Canning of Lowell's varsity tennis team.

The team beat Greenville 6-2 Tuesday. No. 1 singles Travis Trapp lost in a tight match to Bryant Dudsik of Greenville 6-2, 4-6, 7-5. No. 2 singles Josh Hobrla was defeated by Nick VanderLaan (Greenville) 6-0, 6-3. No. 3 singles Cort Thompson defeated Andrew Crebessa

(Greenville) 6-1, 6-2. No. 4 singles Pat Misner defeated Seth Barker (Greenville) 6-1, 6-2.

Lowell swept the doubles category. The No. 1 doubles team of Tony Dubbink and Josh Spratt squeezed out a victory against David Hayes and Mitch Barker of Greenville 2-6, 6-1, 7-6(5). No. 2 doubles Chase Canning and Isaac Tawney won in a three-set marathon 6-7(4), 6-4, 6-2. No. 3 doubles Clayton Stedman and Jack Weeber defeated Chris Besson and Jared Hinken (Greenville) 6-1, 6-2. The No. 4 doubles team of Evan Wilterink and Sean Greenhoe defeated Everett Schoenborn and Mike Hart (Greenville) 6-1, 6-4.

Lowell won their second straight tournament of the season at the Caledonia Invitational Saturday. Lowell scored 20, with Catholic Central at 16 and Caledonia at 11. Champions were No. 1 singles Travis Trapp, No. 2 singles Josh Hobrla, No. 3 singles Cort Thompson, and No. 2 Doubles team of Chase Canning and Isaac Tawney. The team next plays at Caledonia on

Monday.

Softball team first at tourney

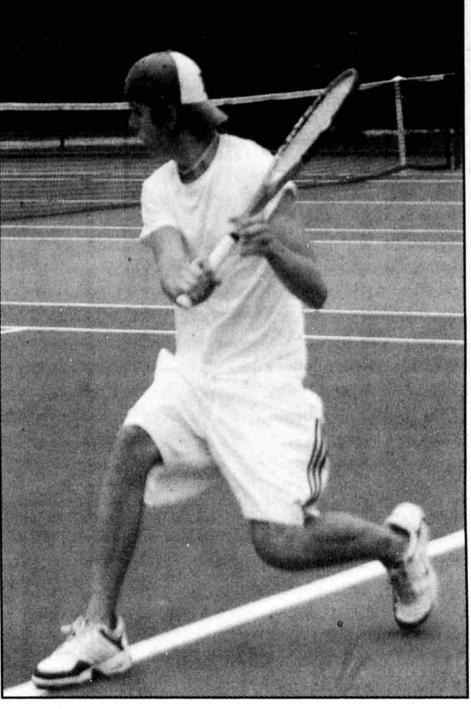
The 12 U Blaze travel softball team finished the season with a tournament win at the Farmington Tournament. Hills Morgan Groom, third from left in the second row, and Julie Smith, in the back row, both of Lowell, pitched for the team.











Josh Hobrla at Monday's match against Greenville.

LHS soccer team continues to build

The varsity soccer team split two games last week, tying Rockford 0-0 Tuesday, Sept. 4 and losing o Unity Christian 5-0 Thursday, Sept. 6.

Head coach Paul Legge said the Rockford game was a great game for the team. The Rockford game was the best defensive effort we have put forth to this point in the season," Legge said. "Everyone defended well and put up a good work

Legge said goalkeeper Phil Bieri made two to three 'phenomenal saves in goal to keep the shutout intact."

The match Thursday against Unity Christian was not as successful. Legge said the team struggled early in the game with marking up and later with "missing several breakaway changes on goal."

However, the coach wasn't defeated with Thursday's game. "We created more chances in the game than in any previous game, but unfortunately did not capitalize on any of the those chances."

Lowell plays Reeths Puffer at home this Thursday at 6:45 p.m.



The Benning-Fielder

by Molly Benningfield Sports editor

16 **Of Records** and Heartaches

Has the football world turned upside down? Maybe we're in an alternate universe watching the pigskin fly. Either way, this weekend's events were sure to make an impact on Michigan minds as most of our favorite teams in the state did a 180.

First up is U of M, because honestly - c'mon. Last week, it was "one of the biggest upsets" in college footbal history when Appalachian State held off the Wolverines with two blocked field goals. This past weekend, Oregon smothered U of M 39-7, the worst home defeat since 1967. What's up with the Maize and Blue?

And there's more bad news - quarterback Chad Henne will miss Saturday's game against Notre Dame. and will be replaced with a freshman, Ryan Mallett. Good thing the Fighting Irish are also 0-2. Where's the Rudy spirit? All we know for Saturday's game is someone has to win. My money's on the Irish, but it's only because I never bet in favor of any team from Ann Arbor.

Fans in East Lansing, on the other hand, have yet to set any couches on fire following the wins over UAB and Bowling Green, although there's always the rest of the football season, followed by the real crowd-pleaser - Izzo and his boys come winter. Defense has proven key in new coach Mark Dantonio's regime, but we have yet to see any huge change in Spartan football until they win games throughout the season and break the 'peaking early' streak hey've had since at least I was born.

And one of the biggest surprises was a win in Detroit - no, not the Tigers (we'll get to them soon enough.) For those who have forgotten, the Lions have started their season and won Sunday afternoon, 36-21. If this isn't weird enough, I don't know what is.

But I suppose the big news, at least in my book, regards the Tigers. Curtis Granderson joined a very elite club, recording a 20-20-20-20, with 20 stolen bases, 20 homers, 20 triples and 20 doubles. He joins only Willie Mays and Frank "Wildfire" Schulte. The centerfielder - who, by the way, is only 26 and in his fourth season with the Tiges - stole his 20th base Sunday at Comerica Park against the Seattle Mariners. He has the most triples (22) by a Tiger since Ty Cobb in 1917. The likable player had an 'aww shucks' moment when the Associated Press asked him what he thought. "I'm glad it's finally over. Now, we have to go ahead and try to get to the playoffs."

What records and heartache will we see in the coming week? For now, we'll leave it to the sports gods to create the controversy, drama and commotion that keep us coming back for more.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BOWNE TOWNSHIP

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Notice is hereby given that the Bowne Township Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 17, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the Township office located at 8240 Alden Nash SE., Alto, Michigan 49302 for the purpose of hearing public comments regarding the renewal of the natural resources removal permit for Morse Lake Sand & Gravel located in Section 20 of the Township.

> Sandra L. Kowalczyk Bowne Township Clerk

LHS volleyball loses three-set match to Caledonia

by Molly Benningfield

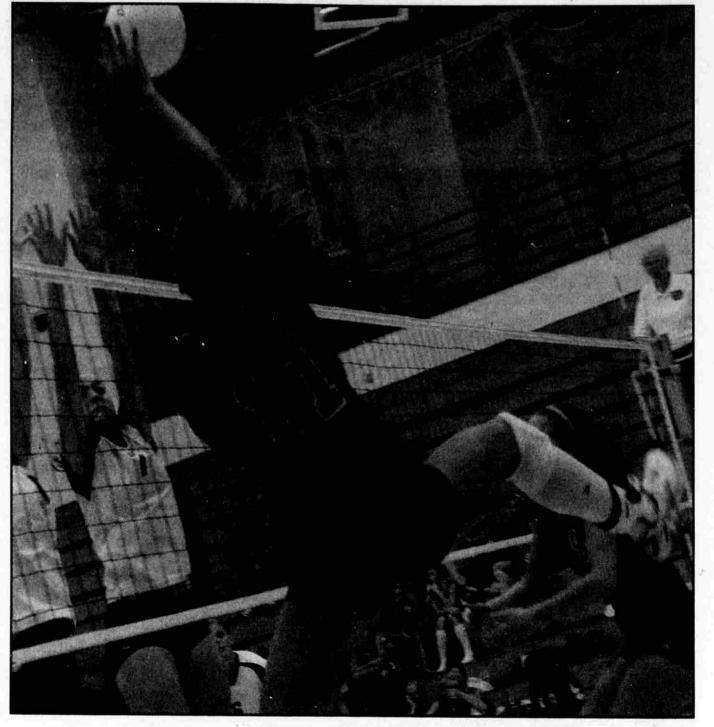
RED ARROW SPORTS

The girls' varsity volleyball team lost a threeset match to Caledonia last Thursday, 28-26, 25-11, 25-20.

In the first match, Caledonia led easily scoring a third of their points before Lowell answered and closed the gap, keeping within two to three points. Lowell was up 26-25, but Caledonia's strong offense crushed the Arrows.

In the second match, Caledonia again built a strong lead, with the Arrows struggling to catch up.

In the third match, Caledonia again lead early, but Lowell rallied to lead 8-3, then 11-7 and kept the lead bouncing back and forth between teams. Ultimately, the Scots won by five.



Mary Vanderlaan (11) spikes the ball over the net at Thursday night's game.

Cross Country starts season at Greenville

The Lowell cross- (19:36), Jon Woods at 22nd fare so well at Greenville, Morgan Marchido at 48th for their first jamboree.

Lowell finishers were honors with a score of 24. Kirk Geldersma at 12th (18:48), Justin Boss at 20th

country teams traveled to (19:40.26), Zach Robinson with their top finisher, (31:59) and Kiley Six at Greenville last Wednesday at 23rd (19:50), Tim Emily Hauschild at 38th 49th (35:03). Lowell placed Gingerich at 38th (21:28) with a time of 26:45. Other seventh overall with a score The boys' team and Tom Marks at 42nd Lowell finishers were of 205. East Grand Rapids top finisher was Corey (21:44). Lowell placed third Taylor Marchido at 39th was the top girls' team with Fitzpatrick at 3rd with overall with a score of 80. (26:49), Haleigh Timmer at a score of 54. a time of 18:17. Other Caledonia took first place 40th (27:55), Paige Senters

at 41st (27:57), Emily The girls' team didn't Jelsma at 47th (31:46),

Lowell equestrian team starts off strong

and is allowed to have four teams (A. B1, B2 and C). With this many riders, the team is able to cover all

With 32 riders, the disciplines of riding. The Midland.

The A team is in B2 is fifth in the lineup. Lowell equestrian team is team will compete in three third place, going against The C team is in first place, the largest it has ever been district meets at Cedar Rockford and Cedar against Allendale, Belding, Springs, a regional meet at Springs. The B1 team Creative Technology, Forest Barry County Fairgrounds is second, going against Hills, Grant, Jenison, Tri and a four-day state meet in Cedar Springs, Lowell B2, County and West Catholic. Rockford and Sparta. The





RED ARROW SPORTS

by Molly Benningfield Editor

With another Nichol - this time, Kyle – at the helm for Lowell's offense. the Arrows scored fast and often against a charging Greenville offense during Friday night's 36-29 win in Lowell.

the Arrows scored three of their five touchdowns. Nichol sparked the offense in the game from Vaught as in the first two minutes of he rushed for five yards. A the game with a 42-yard pass to Josh Drake. Five good to keep Greenville at minutes later, Nichol rushed bay. for 7 yards for the second touchdown. Closing the first 8 passes for 125 yards and quarter was Ryan Olep, with had 17 rushes for 91 yards. a 1-yard run.

quarter, Lowell seemed for 243 yards. Vaught was to keep the energy with a the leading rusher with 26 touchdown in the first two rushes for 142 yards and seconds, on a 1-yard rush from Nate Vaught. The student section went wild. prompting the chant "drive receptions for 83 yards and home safely" towards the Drake had 1 reception - a Greenville side. Hey, at touchdown pass from Nichol least the Lowell students are - for 42 yards. Greenville polite.

would quickly diminish as Greenville scored 29 consecutive points, with three touchdowns before the half ended and another one Randy Hogan of Lowell had two minutes into the second half. Greenville had caught up with Lowell's lead, now Greenville, had 5 tackles a only two points behind. The piece.

rest of the third quarter was relatively quiet. A pass from Nichol to Jordan Boon after the fourth down energized the team, but led to no points.

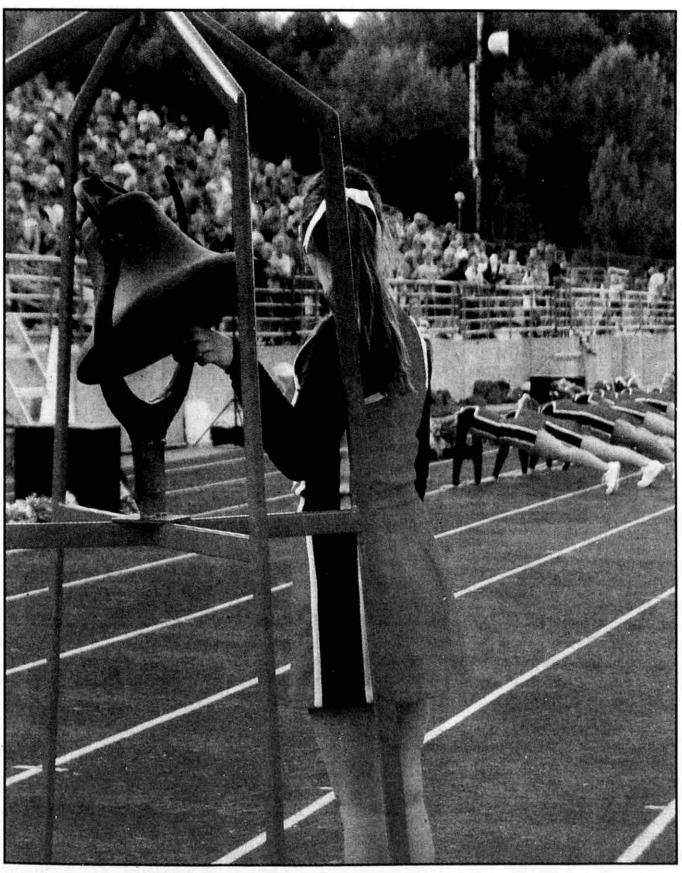
When Greenville's Kyle Dunham kicked a field goal to add three points to the now-winning Yellow Jackets, the students again In just the first quarter, started rallying the crowd. A Lowell touchdown would come with four minutes left two-point conversion was

Nichol completed 4 of resulting in a touchdown. And in the second Lowell had 48 total rushes two touchdowns. Olep had 5 rushes for 10 yards and one touchdown. Boon had 3 was 2 of 7 in passing for But the 28-0 lead 61 yards and had 46 rushes for 303 yards. Greenville's leading rusher, Paul Jacobs, had 18 rushes for 100 yards. On the defensive end, 8 tackles, and Nate Gibson and Ethan Cole, both of p.m.



Justin VanAcker (25) grabs a Greenville defender as the Yellow Jackets go down.

The Arrows play Sparta this Friday in Lowell at 7



A cheerleader rings the Lowell bell while her teammates begin the push-up tradition for each point.

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R. A Nichol for change in Lowell's football victory

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LOWELL - Open 9/9, 10-12! Newer 3 bed, 3 bath home on 3.8 acres with finished walkout! Beautiful pond with sandy beach awesome 2 story outbuilding! Immediate possession! \$249,900, see patschaefer. com, 581-7580, (From Lowell: N. Hudson to Vergennes, E. to Flat River. N. to Whites Bridge, N. to Richmond, E. to Marble, S. to Marble Ck. - 717 Marble Creek) Five Star Real Estate, 616-977-7790.

We are without a daytime custodian, as are other elementary schools in the Lowell system. Mr. Dan is truly missed.

The damage done to the school with a can of spray paint is embarrassing. Where are your parents??

- Breanna

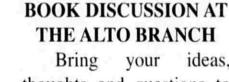
Class of '77 you still rock! Thanks to all that planned our reunion. Those of you who were unable to make it hope to see you next time.

Thank you for going back to get our number off the missing dog sign. It was her, and we are very happy we found her. Thank you to everyone who helped us. -The Fallstroms

Where are the police and when are they going to clamp down on the semi trucks.

I cringe everytime I hear chain saws wondering what new destruction I'll see around town.

I'm glad to see our school bus drivers out and doing a great job. I'm also glad we haven't privatized our bus service here in Lowell.



thoughts and questions to this friendly and informal book discussion for adults. Join other readers to discuss titles that will be on display in the Alto branch of the Kent District Library. Enjoy reading on your own time. then on Oct. 16 and Nov. 27 at 6:30 p.m. come prepared twists, cultural context, and

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FOR SALE

FOR SALE - PlayStation 2 with 19" color TV with one controller with extension cord. Comes with 2 8-meg memory sticks & TV adaptor. PS2 has 10 games included. Also Gameboy Advance & 1 Gameboy color, with many games. \$200 for PS2 & \$50 for each Gameboy. Call between 6 p.m. & 9 p.m. 897-5661.

1997 OLDS 88 - dependable transportation, body good, 188,000 miles, \$2,200. 676-3048.

ANTIQUE THOMASVILLE BUFFET - \$300; matching table & 6 chairs \$400; or \$650 for all. 676-3048.

1960 FORD 600 - \$2,800 or B.O. 897-2953.

FOR SALE - Outboard motors, 4 hp McCulloch & 7 1/2 hp Sea King, \$300 each; 2001 F150 Tonneau cover, used 1 summer, \$200. 890-6660.



BED & MATTRESSES Back to school special purchase. All new. Store retail prices, \$300-\$500. All sizes. Starting at \$100. "Protect your student from unsanitized, used dorm mattresses." 682-4767 or 293-6160.TFN

NASCAR TICKETS (6) Martinsville, VA, \$70 each. Oct. 21, 2007. Call 897-4388.

FOR SALE - Little Tikes race car bed with mattress. \$75; wooden rocking chair. \$20; pull behind bike cart. \$40. Call 893-2668

GOLF BALLS FOR SALE -Previously experienced. All in perfect condition - Titleist & Maxfli Noodle, \$6 per doz.; Pinnacle & Nike, \$5 per doz; Top-Flite, \$4 per doz or 3 doz. for \$10. Call 897-1355.

MEMORY FOAM MAT-TRESS - Relieves back pain. Never used, all sizes. Starting at \$200. RCD Wholesale GR. 682-4767 or 293-6160.TEN

DOES ANYONE KNOW WHO IS SELLING THE KEY CARDS THIS YEAR IN LOWELL? - Please call the Ledger office - 897-9261.

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HELP WANTED

DRIVERS - FREE training if qualified! No exp needed! Local instruction! www. WestMichiganCDL.com, 888-550-4947.

OIL CHANGE TECHNI-CIAN - for busy GM dealership. Applicants must have own tools, good driving record. Part time to start, possible full time in future. Contact Joe Beavan at Good Chevrolet at 897-9294.

GENERAL LABOR POSI TIONS - available immediately all shifts. Packing, machine operator, forklift drivers, assembly. Full time potential hire after 90 days. Apply with Phoenix Personnel at 615 Chatham or call 897-7881 for details. Apply online at www.phoenix personnel.com and check out other available jobs.

DELIVERY DRIVER - CDL-A drivers needed. Looking for dependable customer service oriented person w/chauffers CDL-B, CDL-A license. Good working environment. Also hiring nights/weekends. 616-248-7729.

UNEMPLOYMENT **BENEFITS BEENDE-**NIED? - For possible free assistance and representation call now. Sixteen years experience fighting the state and employers. 1-800-305-2899.

HELP WANTED

MUSIC & WORSHIP CO-**ORDINATOR - Vergennes** United Methodist Church is seeking a 15 hrs./wk. Music/ Worship coordinator to plan & lead the music & worship in an innovative, blended style worship service. Musical ability & experience in both worship leadership 8 technology/media support are preferred. Contact VUMC 897-6141 or email vumcsecretary@aol.com for more information & application requirements. Applications are needed by Sept. 30.

HELP WANTED - afternoon milker, 6+ hours, 6 days per week. For application call 616-893-3319.

MACHINE OPERATOR with Polyurethane Mold experience helpful, wil train the right person. Ful time potential hire after 60 days. Apply with Phoenix Personnel at 615 Chatham or call 897-7881 for details Apply online at www.phoenixpersonnel.com & check out other available jobs



FOR RENT - Ionia (2) two bedroom apartments w/garage, \$495 + deposit Water/garbage included. Coin laundry, lease, no pets. 517-541-2818.

HALL FOR RENT - with kitchen, seats 150. Call 897-6050.TEN

FOR LEASE - Open house, Sat., Sept. 29 & Sun., Sept. 30, 1-4 p.m. Brick home, 4 bdrm, 2 bath, walking distance to Lowell schools Richards Park, shopping dining & churches. Gourmet kitchen, fireplace beautiful hardwood floors new basement rec rm, 4 stall garage & fenced yard. Call 616-633-4654.

HALL FOR RENT - Lowell Veteran's Center, 3100 Alden Nash. Newly remodeled, smoke-free, private great location & great rate Call John at 299-0486 or 897-8303.TEN

FOR RENT - Lowell, 3 br, 2 bath. Please call 616-862-6714.

LOWELL MOBILE HOME PARK - Under new management. Nice 1, 2 & 3 bedroom trailers for rent. For info call Stacey at 616-754-0276 or 616-890-1610.TEN

DUPLEX FOR RENT - 1 bedroom country setting. 1 mile S. of Lowell. Handi capped accessible, \$550/ mo. Call 616-450-5300.

SENIORS!!-Rentcould be as low as \$70 per month! bedroom HUD subsidized apartments for rent! Rent based on income for those who gualify! BEAUTIFUL6 acre country setting! Pets welcome! Conveniently located 20 minutes East of Grand Rapids. Call today to join our small waiting list. Equal Housing Opportunity. 616-693-2271, hearing im- love, such as McDonalds. paired dial 711.TEN

FOR RENT

HOUSE FOR RENT IN ADA - available Sept 1st. 1 bedroom, fenced backyard, workshop, deck, A/C, washer & dryer, quiet neighborhood, dead end street. \$600 a month plus \$600 security deposit. Call 581-0989.

EVENTS

SNOW UNIT. ED METHODIST CHURCH - at 3189 Snow Ave. SE will serve a Turkey & Dressing family style dinner on Wednesday, September 12, starting at 5:30 p.m. Adults are \$8, children 6-12 are \$2, and children 5 & under are free. Take out dinners also available.

BLUEGRASS MU-SIC FESTIVAL September 14-16 at Fairgrounds in Lowell. Many bands, jam sessions, food, camping, family fun.



CARD OF THANKS To our caring, generous community, The compassion you have shown our baby Wyatt and our family. during his illness and now with his recovery has truly touched and uplifted our hearts. All the ongoing help and support, the sincere concern, the countless prayers, the many meals, the generous donations, the child care, have all been helpful beyond description during this terribly difficult time for us. We cannot thank you enough and it is our hope that all of you who helped in any way will know how deeply grateful

Jerry & Jennifer Fuss & family

we are.

CARD OF THANKS Thanks to all my friends

for the kind deeds shown to me while I was in The Laurels of Kent recovering from my accident and since my return home.

> Sincerely, Margaret Gardner



WANTED - Hunting land to lease. 1-2 persons looking for yearly lease. Will pay upto \$1500 for prime spot. Please contact Steve, anytime at 893-5644.

WANTED - 20 people to lose up to 30 lbs. in a month. Doctor recommended. natural, eat the foods you Call Kristin 616-304-3580.

WANTED

CRAFTERS NEEDED Daily News (Greenville) Christmas in October craft show. Oct. 20, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. 10 ft. x 10 ft. spots \$50. Food vendor on site. Call 616-754-9301 for more information.

WANTED - Motorcycles. Cash paid for road bikes. running or not. Call 616-446-8352.



In memory of Kenneth R. Kropf Out through the fields and

the woods. And over the walls I have wended: have climbed the hills of

And looked at the world. and descended: I have come by the highway

And lo, it is ended.

Remembering you and missing you on your birthday, September 10. Your brother & his family



2 FREE GARAGE SALE SIGNS - Place your Sale ad at our counter & pay for it & ask for your 2 free Garage Sale Signs. Lowell Ledge & Buyers Guide, 105 N. Broadway, Lowell.

ESTATE SALE - 13th 8 14th, 6221 Snow, Alto (Off 60th) 9-4. John Deere rider, rototiller, tables, dining set, chairs, stoneware, crocks, glassware, tools, air compressor, cameras, jewelry holiday decor, brass, china, cast iron kettle, Savage 22, more. Taking bids now on stickley mission bookcase. Call Terry 897-5200 view ad & pictures at www.bucksauctionand sales.com

HUGE BARN PLUS TENT SALE - 1 mile west of Clarksville, Aug. 30 thur Sept. 15, 9336 Clarksville Rd., Clarksville.

CASCADE MOVING SALE - 7625 Cascade Rd. Thurs., household items. Everything must go.

CHURCH YARD SALE - All profit for missions trip. Sept. 13-14, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Elmdale Church of the Nazarene, on the corner of 64th St. Drew Rd. and Elmdale Rd. All donations accepted!

LIL' RED BARN SALE 12795 Burroughs, Lowell. Fri., Sept. 14, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Excellent choice of antiques & shabby chic items. New items & discounted pieces.



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Robert Frost



SALES

BRANCH ADVEN TURES YARD SALE Sept. 13-15, 8 a.m to 6 p.m. Thursday thru Saturday. You can support a local Christian camp by donating gently used items of coming to make a purchase. Items will be taken Wednesday. noon to 7 p.m. M-21 near Pinckney.

PUBLIC AUCTION Thurs., Sept. 20, 6 pm. 11300 Cutler Rd., Lakeview, MI. Open for inspection Sun., Sept. 16 1-5 pm & day of sale 1-6 pm. (A) Lakeview past downtown 6 blks, left on North, 8/10's mi (North turns into Saterlee at curve, proceed to left on Cutler) 8/10's mi, home on right side. (B) M-46 to Gravel Ridge Rd. north to Cutler, east to home. 3 bdrms, 2 bath bi-level, 2370 sq.ft. living area, living rm, dining rm, new kitchen, finished farmily rm down 2 fireplaces, 2 forced air furnances for zone heating, central air, lots of storage area, 2 stall attached garage, 10 acres (good hunting), 24x24 pole barn w/loft. For photos see our web site kleimanauctioneers.com or call 1-800-489-5938

ESTATE SALE - 524 Sufolk, 9-4 p.m. Sept. 14 Household goods, furniture, durable medical equipment.



SERVICES

JOHN SCHLOOP BUILD-ER - New homes, additions & remodeling. Call 897-1335.TEN

COUNTRY LANE FAMIL HOME NOW HAS OPEN-INGS - an alternative to assisted living facilities. Call for info. Alto area. 616-581-3276.

PAYROLL & BOOKKEEP-**ING SERVICE -** by certified Quickbooks advisor. Call Kathy 897-6351. EOWTEN

GUITAR LESSONS - Matt Cosgrove MM, FSU in gui-Fri. & Sat., Sept. 13-15, 9 tarperformance, accepting to 5. Antiques, furniture, students of all ages, www. cgstudeio.us. 350-6000.

> ROLL TICKETS AVAIL-ABLE AT LOWELL LITHO Single & double rolls. variety of colors. Single roll. \$5 ea. + tax & double rolls \$7.50 + tax ea. Lowell Litho, 105 N. Broadway, Lowell. Ph. 897-9261.

FIELD STONE FARM ANTIQUES NOW OPEN for the lover of country anitques. 9449 Wingeier Ave SE, 1/2 mile S. of 92nd St. (M-50), Alto, Hours: Thurs., Fri., & Sat., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. & Sun., 1 to 4 p.m. or by appointment. 616-890-6740.

ZOOLAND DAYCARE Openings 1st & 2nd shift. 897-8386 or 308-0195.

SERVICES

GALLERY & CUSTOM FRAMING - Fire and Water Art! 219 W. Main in Lowell. OPEN Wed. - Sun. 1-6 p.m. Have your GRADU-ATION & WEDDING photos framed by the "Framing Artist." ART, artist created GIFTS, art CLASSES & MORE. www.fire-and-water-art.com or 890-1879. WATSON'S HANDYMAN SERVICES - Decks, basements, remodels, doors drywall & much more. Small jobs welcome. Honest &

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JOHN DEBIAK - certified farrier. Horseshoeing & hoof trimming with twenty years of professional, fulltime experience. Call 897-4290. TEN

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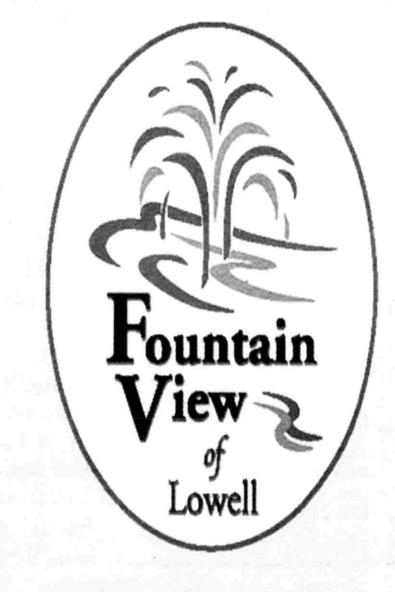
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