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Couple celebrates anniversary at the Harvest Festival

by Emma Palova

Building a scarecrow together to celebrate a 17th wedding anniversary may not be a typical activity, but Alto couple Rick and Cathy Loetz did just that after reading about the harvest hoedown in the Buyer's Guide.

"We thought it would be fun," said Cathy.

Building scarecrows was complete with entertainment provided by the Easy Idle Band who fiddled underneath the beautiful blue sky.

Hundreds of scarecrows lined up by the barns at the fairgrounds only to later embellish downtown Lowell. The fairgrounds also hosted the Farmer's Market, Arts & Craft Show and antiques at the Foreman Building.

In what turned out to be a perfect weekend for the annual harvest festival, the streets of Lowell and the fairgrounds were crowded with fun seekers and chefs of all sorts.

At the annual Larkin's chili cook-off, Rockford resident Rocky Ashlock made green chili verde, while his friend Rich Pringer made red chili. Lowell Township treasurer Leslie Stougaard with friend Lori Rinard also cooked up a storm.

Then there were Lowell Showboat Garden Club members Brenda Angelo, Gwen Hughes and Carol McGregor sampling chili.

Lowell Light & Power held an open house with free hot dogs and chips. Horse drawn wagon rides were provided by The Common Gentry Carriage Co.

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Rick and Cathy Loetz of Alto built a scarecrow at the harvest hoedown Saturday. It was their way of celebrating their 17th anniversary after reading about the event in the Buyer's Guide.

Lowell illustrator depicts bold 'Boomer' character

by Emma Palova

Beautiful bold illustrations of a gentle giant Great Dane embellish children's book 'Big Brave Boomer' written by Hastings author Pat Markle.

Illustrated by Lowell artist Jan Johnson, the book depicts the main character sad, scared, happy and finally proud and brave.

The moods of the Great Dane change along with the

evolution of the story based on Boomer's travels with his family from Colorado to Michigan every summer.

"The illustrations were fun and easy," said Johnson.

The hard part after publishing, by J-Ad Graphics of Hastings, was the marketing of the book, according to Johnson.

However, studying art at the Ringling School of

Art and Design in Sarasota helped artist illustrator Jan Johnson learn how to draw animals.

Since the main character of the book is Boomer, a Great Dane, the skills from Sarasota came in handy.

"It worked out well," said Johnson. "We had a good cooperation with Pat."

Markle said the project was fantastic and it would have been nothing without the illustrations.

The dog really existed,

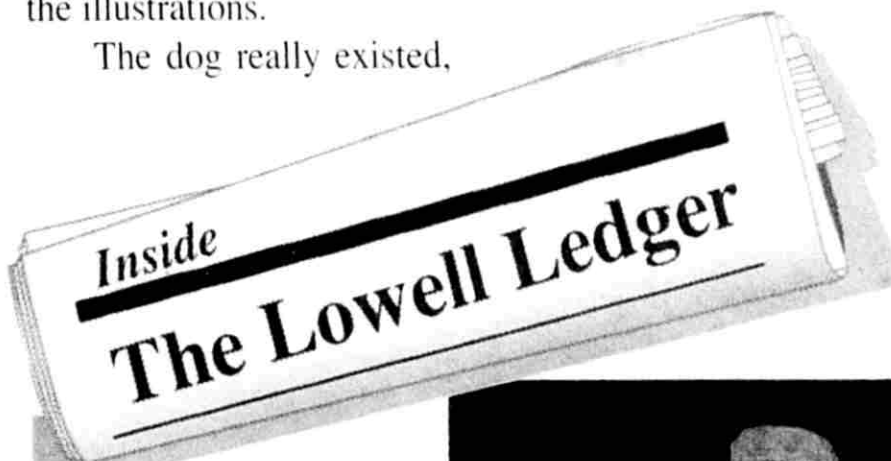
but died in March of 2008 from a blood clot.

"I used some poetic license to pull it all together," said Markle.

The book is available at the Fire and Water Art Gallery and during Christmas through Lowell on Nov. 14, 15 and 16. In January, Johnson along with other illustrators will have a show at the Lowell Area Arts Council.



Jan Johnson of Lowell enjoyed illustrating 'Big Brave Boomer.'



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Obituaries



KNOWLE

Margaret "Peg" Beth Knowles, aged 73 of Lowell, formerly from Manitou Beach, passed away October 12, 2008. She is survived by her

children Sandy (Gary) Liu and Laura (Kevin) Mancino and their father, Laurence; brother, Russell (Helen) Schwartz; grandchildren, Elizabeth Knowles, Christopher Phillips, Abe and Alex McIntire, Brooke, Parker and Hanna Liu. Peg was a member of the Snow United Methodist Church, belonged to Maple City Swingers, a long-time member of Rollin Center United Methodist Church and a very active volunteer of the Flat River Outreach Ministries. Funeral services will be Thursday, October 16 at 11 a.m. at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, 305 N. Hudson with Rev Vance Dimmick and Rev. Thurlan Meredith officiating. There will be a graveside service Friday, at 11 a.m. at Maple Grove Cemetery in Hudson. Visitation will be 6-9 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Snow United Methodist Church Building Fund, 3189 Snow Ave, Lowell, MI 49331 or Spectrum Hospice.



ONAN

Richard E. "Ozzie" Onan, age 82 of Lake City, formerly of Lowell, passed away Sunday, October 12, 2008 and went to be with his Lord and Savior. He was preceded in death by his parents, Samuel and Helen Onan. He graduated from Lowell High School in 1944 and spent the following two years in the U.S. Navy in the South Pacific during World War II. He attended Western Michigan

University and Kalamazoo College, receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree with majors in chemistry and math. He was employed by Dow Chemical Company for the next 28 years with assignments in various parts of the U.S. and Europe. Dick and his wife Ida enjoyed many years of ballroom dancing. He will be deeply missed by his beloved wife of 28 years, Ida M. Onan; his sister, Ilene DeWolf of Lowell; children, Richard E. (Sue) Onan, Jr., Patrick (Rose) Onan, Philip Onan, Kathleen (Richard) Communale, Rosemary Onan, Paul (Ann) Onan, Michael (Helen) Grant, Kathleen (Jim) Cook, Dan Grant, Steve (Laura) Rosendahl, Laurie Lewis, Teri (Rob) Irwin; 20 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. at the

Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, 305 N. Hudson, Pastor Larry Shetehelm, officiating. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. Visitation will be Wednesday at 2-4 p.m. & 6-8 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Michigan, 1260 Ekhart NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503.

VALENTINE

Boots (Buford B.) Valentine, aged 90 of Lowell, formerly of Lake Odessa, passed away Thursday, October 9, 2008. He was preceded in death by three brothers, Burton, Balfour, Bernard and one sister, Margaret Buche. He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Neva; daughter, Janet (Bill) Pitman of LaQuinta, CA; son, Jim (Chery) Valentine of Lowell; sister, Mary Patterson of Tarpon Springs, FL; grandchildren, Rosemary Ranger of Marshall,

Alana (Ron) Acheson and Keith (Sara) Valentine both of Lowell; great-grandchildren, Sebastian and Shania Ranger, Logan and Ella Acheson, McKenna Valentine; and many nieces and nephews. Boots was a life time member of the 398th Bomb Group having served in Europe during WWII. He enjoyed his family and golf. Honoring Boots' wishes, in lieu of a service; the family will be greeting family and relatives on Sunday, October 19 from 1-4 p.m. at the Corner Landing at 128 W. Grand River (M-66 and Grand River) in Ionia. Instead of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: The 398th Bomb Group Museum, c/o Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, 305 N. Hudson, Lowell, MI 49331 or Faith Hospice, 2100 Raybrook St., Suite 300, GR, MI 49546.

Arbor Day Foundation offers two free Give-A-Tree cards to new members in October

The Arbor Day Foundation is offering for the first time, two free Give-A-Tree cards to those who join the foundation during the month of October.

Every Give-A-Tree card honors the recipient with a tree planted in one of our nation's forests. At the same time, Give-A-Tree cards help the environment by replanting trees in a forest that has been

devastated by disease and record wildfires.

On the inside, each card is inscribed, "In your honor, a tree has been planted in a National Forest." Each tree planted will give life back to the forest, provide food

and habitat for wildlife, help clean the air, and protect water supplies.

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Heartfelt Thanks

ERNIE KAUFMAN

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We would like to thank everyone who sent cars, and flowers, and visited during his recent illness and death. Your thoughts and prayers during these trying times will forever be remembered in our hearts. Ernie was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather and will be greatly missed by all who knew him. We are especially grateful to his medical team, Dr. Evenhouse and Dr. Mogor. Thank you to the staff at Hospice of Michigan for your excellent care during his last days. Allowing him his dignity meant everything to him. Thanks Shelly and Angie for the beautiful luncheon. Thank you to the V.E.W. for the hall usage and to the Veterans Color Guard for he military send-off.

We appreciate everything everybody did to help all of us through this time.

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As more employers go smoke free - more smokers are deciding to quit

Nationwide studies confirm that implementing a tobacco free policy in the work place does help employees make the move to become a nonsmoker. It's happening here in West Michigan as more companies follow the lead taken by many large employers like Steelcase, Altacor and all the area hospitals. In Hastings, nine companies have banded together to become tobacco free beginning Jan. 1, 2009.

Because this movement is strong in West Michigan, there is an increase in demand for educational programs such as smoking cessation classes. Metro Health is sponsoring another class that begins Tuesday, October 28 at Lowell Family Medical Center. Class begins at 6 p.m. and runs for six weeks. This will be the last class offered this year, but the success of these programs means there will be more classes next year. To register call 616-975-0123 or go to www.tobaccofreepartners.org.

Often, a new policy is the motivating factor that

employees need. That was the case for Scott Riley of Greenville. He took the class offered in Lowell because his employer, Spectrum Health of Grand Rapids, instituted a tobacco free workday. "At first people were worried, but many of us wanted to quit anyway. In the end, it helped us - I know it helped me." Scott attended the free classes at Lowell Family Medical Center to help him quit. "The class worked for me because I

needed to understand more about nicotine and what medications could help. The class showed me how to write my own plan and quit on my terms."

Scott adds, "Sure, having more money is great. I have hobbies - my cars. Since I quit I bought another Mustang, a 2007 Shelby GT that I like driving to car shows, but it's more than the cash. I'm a non-smoker. I've wanted that for a long time; I'm healthier. I'm a

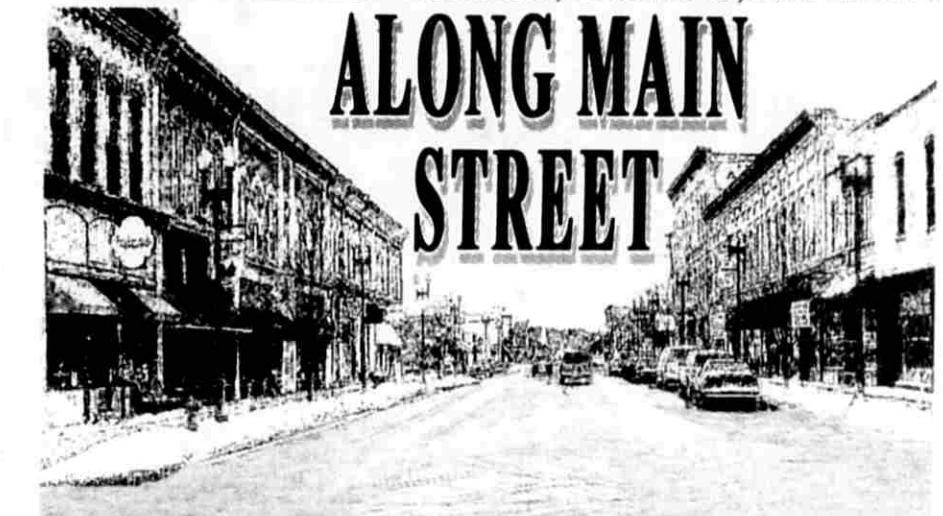
better role model for my kids. It feels great."

Over 70 people have been helped since the Lowell classes began in January of 2007. There has even been a support group that has formed, made up of people from previous classes and those who haven't quit yet, but want more information.

The next meeting will be in early January. Watch "Along Main Street" for location, date and time.



Scott Riley with his 1968 Mustang at a car show held at Harold Ziegler Ford. He recently added to his Mustang collection a new 2007 Mustang Shelby GT.



THEBES PLAYERS

The Thebes players will be performing 'Barefoot in the Park' by Neil Simon at the Lowell Performing Arts Center (Lowell High School), 11700 Vergennes on Oct. 17, 18 & 25 at 7:30 p.m. and Oct. 26 at 2:30 p.m. Tickets day of sale: LAAC members, seniors & students \$12, non-members \$14. Call 897-8545 or visit Lowell Area Arts Council for more information.

BLUEGRASS MUSIC CONCERT

Help Sat., Oct. 18 at 7 p.m. at Larkin's Other Place. Only \$5.

CORN HOLE TOURNAMENT

Oct. 18 at Lowell Fair Grounds (Foreman Building). \$20 a team, 2 person teams, cash payout to top 3 teams, must be 17 years or older. To pre-register go to www.discoverlowell.org before Oct. 11. For additional information contact Dave, 897-8805 or Mike, 897-6005. 50 percent of proceeds go to F.R.O.M.

WITTENBACH WEGE CENTER

The first annual Halloween Hike will be Sat., Oct. 25 from 5:30-8 p.m. at the Center. Cost is \$1 per child and \$2 per adult. Enter the pumpkin decorating contest. Carve or paint your best pumpkin and drop it off on Oct. 23 by 6 p.m. at the Center.

SMOKING CESSATION CLASSES

Free smoking cessation classes start Tuesday, Oct. 28 at 6 p.m. at the Lowell Family Medical Center, 2550 W. Main St. Call 616-975-0123 to register or go to www.tobaccofreepartners.org.

COMMUNITY SALE

There will be a huge indoor garage sale Nov. 1 from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. between Advanced Eyecare Professionals and BC Pizza. All funds raised will be donated to the Flat River Outreach Ministries Food Bank. Outside monetary donations and clothing are welcome, call 897-7000.

It is common sense to take a method and try it. If it fails, admit it frankly and try another. But above all, try something.

- Franklin D. Roosevelt

America's life insurance program

by Vonda VanTil, Social Security Public Affairs Specialist

You might worry about how to protect your family if something suddenly happens to you, however, you probably have life insurance you haven't even thought about.

If you are working and paying into Social Security, your family may qualify for Social Security benefits if you die. You see, some of the Social Security taxes you pay go toward survivor's insurance. In fact, its value may be more than the value of any other life insurance you may have.

If you die, your family could be eligible for monthly benefits based on your earnings. Your family members who might qualify

in the three years prior to death, benefits can be paid to your minor children and your spouse who is caring for them. More than six million people currently receive Social Security survivor's benefits. How it works: You can earn up to four Social Security credits each year. In 2008, for example, you earn one credit for each \$1,050 of wages or self-employment income. When you have earned \$4,200, you have earned your four credits for the year.

The number of credits you need for your survivors to receive benefits depends on how recently you worked at the time of death. For example, if you have worked for only one and a half years

in the three years prior to death, benefits can be paid to your minor children and your spouse who is caring for them.

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about Give-A-Tree cards, people can make a big difference in the world today," said John Rosenow, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. "Give-A-Tree cards are helping to bring life back to our nation's forests."

The cards will be sent to new members in time for the holidays.

To receive two free Give-A-Tree cards, send a \$10 membership contribution to Give-A-Tree Cards, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NB 68410, by Oct. 31, 2008. People can also join the Foundation online at www.arborday.org/give.

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Linda S. Regan, Clerk
Lowell Charter Township

Several successful programs discussed with busy start to school year

by Shelly MacNaughton

The Lowell Area Schools Board of Education held its regular meeting Monday night. The board received many updates from various activities taking place at Lowell Area Schools.

Parker Liu, president of the Student Council, offered an update on student activities taking place at the high school. Last week, 980 students attended the homecoming dance. The student council is in the preliminary stages

of planning an alternative spring break to Virginia; they hope to have a proposal prepared next month. There will be an orchestra concert Oct. 28, 7 p.m. at the Lowell Performing Arts Center and a choir concert Oct. 30, 7 p.m. at the Lowell Performing Arts Center.

Noel Dean spoke about the Pink Arrow Project. Due to the huge success of the project, \$25,000 was given toward the Kathy Talus Scholarship Fund. This will be a permanently endowed fund. The Dr.

Donald Gerard Scholarship also received \$25,000, allowing this scholarship to be permanently endowed. The Lowell Community Wellness Center received \$40,000 to help Lowell families dealing with cancer. Dean acknowledged that a great number of people helped tremendously with this project. "Thank you for your extreme effort and for leading the way with your work on the Pink Arrow Project," said superintendent Greg Pratt.

Lowell Police Depart-

ment Chief Jim Valentine, Larry Mikulski and Lynn Draigh all presented information about the Safe Walks to School Program taking place at Cherry Creek, Bushnell and the middle school. Lynn Draigh is the parent volunteer coordinator of SR2S (Safe Routes 2 School) at Cherry Creek. Cherry Creek has just been awarded a grant in the amount of \$290,000. The grant money will go toward reconfiguring the Cherry Creek parking lot to make it safer for walkers. A

walking path will be added to Gee Drive. There will be improved signage and new reflective tape. Grant money will also go toward improving education and promotion to kids and parents on the benefits of walking to school. Chief Valentine presented a Powerpoint presentation reminding parents to talk with their children about the safe habits. He expressed the importance of not talking to strangers and talking with children about being lured by strangers. He

said they should be taught to be careful when crossing the street, always looking both ways, and wearing bike helmets. "Safety begins at home," said Chief Valentine.

Greg Pratt offered a superintendents report to the board. "This has been an extremely busy start to the school year," said Pratt. "Thank you to the Transportation Department for your efforts, all our buses passed the inspection," said Pratt.

Gazebo, other capital park improvements, funded from Lee Fund

In the Oct. 8 Lowell Ledger, this picture of a gazebo under construction at the Stoney Lakeside Park, incorrectly stated in the caption the funding mechanism for the structure, as well as other park improvements.

The purchase of the materials for the gazebo was funded from the Lee Fund in the amount of up to \$6,000. The Lee Fund was established in the 1940s and it has traditionally been used for capital park improvements, according to city manager Dave Pasquale. Volunteer labor was used for the actual construction.

However, the city crew will be responsible for the final grading of the structure. Unlike the Lee Fund, monies generated from the park user fees are used for the maintenance of athletic fields due to their wear and tear.

This year the user fees have so far generated \$10,000, while the overall park budget is \$140,000. The parks and recreation commission approved the \$6,000 expenditure from the Lee Fund on July 19, and the city council passed its own motion on July 21. Jeff Altoft moved, while mayor pro-tem Jim Hodges seconded.



Financial Focus



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GO BEYOND EMPLOYER'S LIFE AND DISABILITY POLICIES

If you work for an employer who offers a benefits package that includes life insurance and disability income insurance, consider yourself fortunate, but you can't necessarily consider yourself fully protected. If you don't have appropriate life and disability insurance, your long-term financial goals could be at risk.

Life insurance: How much is enough? The amount of life insurance you'll require, will change throughout your life. When you're starting out in your career, you're single and living in an apartment, you probably need a lot less insurance than you might a few years later, when you have a spouse, children and a mortgage.

Because your life insurance needs will evolve over time, you can't really use a "formula" to determine how much insurance you should own. The only way to determine your true need, is to take stock of your individual situation. How big is your mortgage? How much will it cost to send your kids to college? How much income is your spouse likely to bring in over time?

By answering these and other key questions, you should be able to get a good sense of how much life insurance you'd need at any point in time. From there, it's just a matter of seeing how much insurance your employer is offering and then purchasing enough coverage on your own to make up the shortfall, if one exists. And you'll find other benefits to owning your own policy. It may be more cost effective, and you'll keep the coverage even if you change jobs.

If you purchase a term life policy, you'll find it quite affordable to receive a substantial amount of coverage. Eventually, to help yourself meet goals beyond just protection, you might want to consider some type of permanent insurance, such as whole life or universal life, which contains an investment component in addition to the death benefit.

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Viewpoint

To The Editor

Dear Editor,

Lowell City Council meetings for good or bad, always seem to be interesting and even at times bring a chuckle or two depending on your sense of humor.

The recent Oct. 6 council meeting brought forth an interesting comment from a concerned citizen. The comment was about a project that would pay for itself and be an improvement to the community.

After the meeting, there were several council members discussing the proposal and that's encouraging. I believe there could be many good ideas out there that could save the tax payers dollars and be a necessary improvement to the city. I also believe that our city government has not spent wisely in the past and hasn't prepared wisely for the future.

Now, in these harsh economic times, it is time for the new city council to come together with its constituents, in solving the community problems and be the servant to the people in which they were voted into office to do.

Jim Howard

Dear Editor,

I've been following the controversy over the "Our Love Skate Park." I've seen many skateboarders in the area with nowhere acceptable to skate. I often hear of businesses and citizens getting angry at the skateboarders for their activities. We are in a time when many of us as adults are very concerned about our kids not being outside or active. These skateboarders are constantly trying to do both.

For a community that has everything for kids from football, softball and soccer to lacrosse, tennis, equestrian and crew teams, I can't understand why we don't get behind these kids with their skateboarding passion. This seems like a double standard to me.

I've been saddened by comments regarding the lack of respect from the skateboarders. This is always disappointing to hear. However, in my experience, I've recognized within all groups (kids as well as adults) there are some who are disrespectful. Personally, I've driven by, waved at, and stopped to talk to numerous skateboarders over the years. Most I don't know, but I've received respect and courtesy from all of them. Those I've spoken with or whose letters to the editor I've read, I find to be intelligent, well-spoken and willing to stand up for what they believe in. I've seen them working extremely hard and putting much of their own efforts into this project, even when they are often rebuffed and see little encouragement for their efforts. I have a great deal of respect for this.

I feel we as adults are responsible for setting the example. Perhaps if we showed more acceptance and understanding for their efforts we'd receive more respect from them.

It's frustrating to see a community which has been told we have more playing fields for other sports than a community our size needs, yet we can't support these hardworking, determined kids, in their efforts to have a safe place to play their sport.

They have the park area available to them, they've done the background research and have received needed permission. They have been working hard to earn a share of the money needed.

I'd really encourage us as a community to support them in these efforts.

Peggy Covert

Dear Editor,

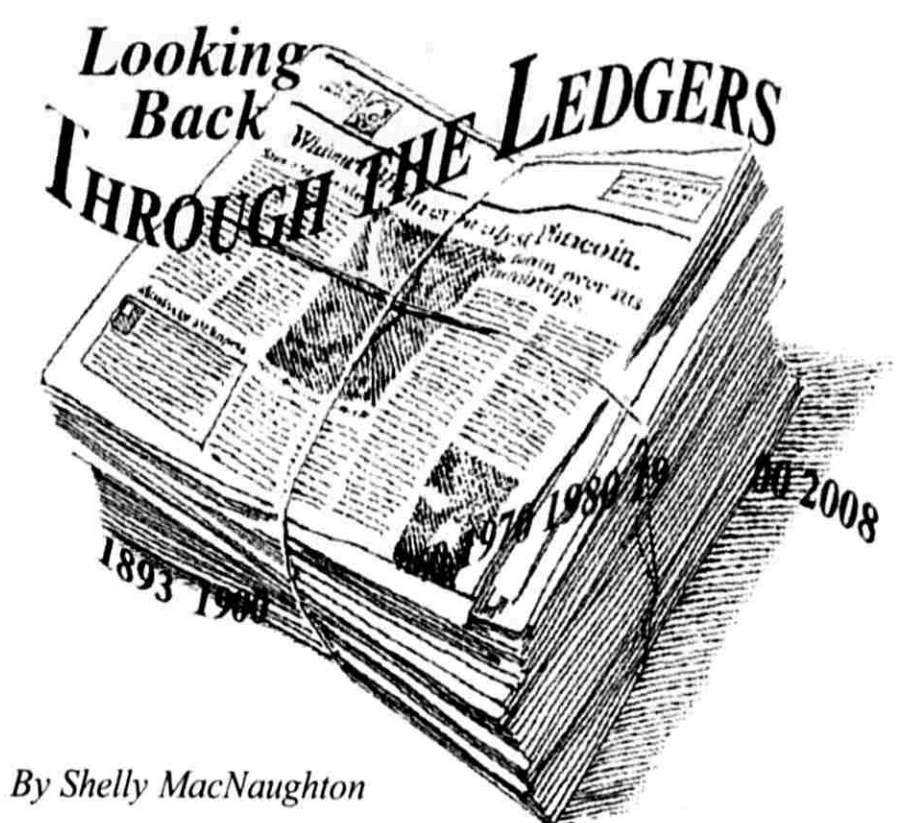
The Lowell Community is loaded with "Community Spirit" and people that are willing to do positive things to make improvements. When there is a community event or project, there always seems to be enough hands to get the job done. From the Riverwalk Festival, Fallasburg Arts Festival and the list goes on, there are always volunteers offering their time, talents and treasures.

I would like to thank the people that assisted in an array of different ways with the construction of the new gazebo at Stoney Lakeside Park. The Parks Commission has had this project on the Capital Improvements plan for the seven years I have served on the board. Due to a shortage of funds, the Lee Fund, which is designated for parks capital improvements, has been used for operational expenses instead of the enhancements for which it was intended. This year we had enough in the budget to purchase the materials for a picnic shelter but the fund could not afford the labor expense. We were looking at another year of a long-time goal not being met. I asked Leo Pfaller if he would be interested in helping on a volunteer project if we could get the materials provided. He didn't hesitate in saying "yes." That was about two months ago. Now, after designing and fabrication of hardware, the DEQ permits, building inspections, digging, cutting and nailing, the construction is complete and the gazebo only awaits the City Crew to finish with top soil and grass seeding.

I hope that I do not omit anyone as I have tried to keep track of all that have helped in any way. A sincere "THANK YOU" from me as a City Council member, Parks Commissioner and, more importantly, a citizen and neighbor, to the following for your unselfish donation and community spirit in the construction of the new shelter: Leo Pfaller, Ron Brunsink, Bob Pfaller, Kim Chase, Beth Pfaller, Thomas Pfaller, O.E. Bieri and Sons, Lowell Light & Power, Durkee Lumber, and Lowell DPW.

Hats off to all of you for your giving spirit which is the foundation that makes "Lowell the Next Place to Be."

Sincerely,
Jim Pfaller



125 YEARS AGO THE LOWELL JOURNAL OCTOBER 17, 1883

Owing to bad weather, there were no races here last Saturday.

Miss Carr's entertainment next Monday night will be a rare treat. The program speaks for it.

W. R. Blaisdell is killing time as a juror in the circuit court.

100 YEARS AGO THE LOWELL LEDGER OCTOBER 15, 1908

John Mills has been building a large woodshed at the rear of his residence.

Born in Lowell, Sunday October 11, to Mr. and Mrs. M. Norton Henry, was a nine pound son.

All turned out to see the football game Saturday, between Freeport and Lowell high school teams.

75 YEARS AGO THE LOWELL LEDGER AND ALTO SOLO OCTOBER 19, 1933

Dedication services will be held in the new church of the Nazarene, Sunday, October 22 at 2:30 pm. Work on the church, (which is located at the corner of Washington and Avery streets,) began on May 8 of this year, and has been progressing rapidly since. The church is now complete with the exception of some decorating yet to be done. It has a seating capacity of 250.

50 YEARS AGO THE LOWELL LEDGER OCTOBER 16, 1958

The Lowell Eberhard's Super Market is giving away, absolutely free, this Friday and Saturday, \$400 in diamonds. No purchase necessary, nothing to write; just reach into a brown bag filled with semi-precious stones and \$400 in diamonds, and pick yourself a valuable diamond.

25 YEARS AGO THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER OCTOBER 19, 1983

Consumers Power Company has the ultimate bargain for its customers; a no interest loan for eligible gas heating customers who want to insulate their ceilings. The loans are available to residential customers whose homes now have 2 1/2 inches or less of insulation, according to C. Jury Carpenter, Conservation Programs Supervisor for Consumers Power. "The loan interest rate is zero, and customers can take up to five years to repay the loan."

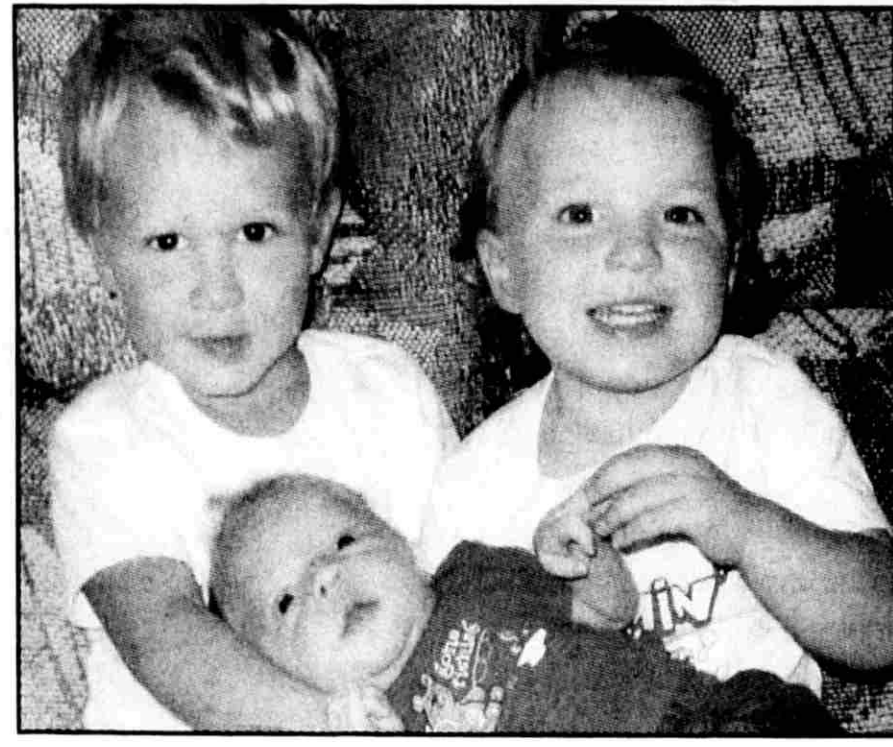
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New Arrivals

Lyons

Easton and Charlie Lyons would like to introduce their new brother, Gage Richard, born Aug. 10, 2008. He weighed 6 lbs. and was 21 inches long. Proud parents are Brad and Lisa Lyons, of Alto. Grandparents are Dick and Pam Posthumus, of Alto and Ron and Dianna Lyons, of Lowell. Great-grandparents are Lola Posthumus, of Alto, Marilyn Lambson and Glenn Lyons, of Lowell.



Gage Richard Lyons with his siblings.

Reflections of faith

David Sims, Lead Pastor
First Baptist Lowell

FAITH WITH SKIN ON

Battlefield Walk! Can you recall a time when, though words escape you, you realized that you are experiencing something significant, something meaningful, something beyond the mere moment? This October journey together has us re-living some of these kinds of larger-than-life events that have happened to me, I want to share their major impact on me and my growth in a gut-understanding of a God-approved kind of faith.

For a long time now, the Civil War has held my interest and fascination. What was it that would make family fight against family? Brother take arms against brother? A nation recoil and revolt against itself? Perhaps it was that memorable day in the attic when I discovered those ancient books, that the seeds of curiosity were planted. There, in an old brown non-descript bag, was a set of old, dusty books full of pictures. They said they were printed for the 50th anniversary of the end of the War. The detail, the black-and-whites of bodies, the destruction, the generals, encampments and battlements, all were just astounding... and disturbing. Now that I think of it, maybe those same volumes also caught my brother's spirit, because for years

now, he and his family have been in the reenactment scene of the Civil War. He has the full encampment accoutrements, regalia, armaments, colors, wardrobe and everything. He has "fought" on many of the same battlefields and even is in a scene of the lengthy movie, "God and Generals." No wonder he is a bit jealous that I now possess the family hand-me-down legacy of the 50th Anniversary War Documentary set.

It was, therefore, a no-brainer sort of decision for me that fall. I was in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania for a conference and had a day with an afternoon of free time. What to do? It was an easy choice.... head on down the pike to Gettysburg, to revisit a place I had only spent too short a time previously. The day was beautiful, warm...hot, actually. The park was very quiet as peak tourist season had passed. After refreshing my memories at headquarters and the Cyclorama...I drove around to Seminary Ridge and parked. Then I gingerly stepped out of the trees toward and onto the infamous battlefield. Each step seemed unusually heavy and long as recollections from readings flooded my thoughts with each and every pace. As I eased my way onward in the direction of The Angle, I began to understand more of the terrible and awful struggle that had taken place on that storied acreage so many years before. The terrain was not at all level, but undulated...in the noisome, thundering, screaming cacophony on that smoke-choked ground. The soldiers would not have known what they were encountering until the moment they crested the field's knolls...to devastating death and carnage. The mile walk seemed to take hours. I sat on The Angle and pondered.

DeYongs celebrate 40 years of marriage

Mart and Cheryl (Hannah) DeYoung of Lowell, will celebrate 40 years of marriage on



Cheryl (Hannah) and Mart DeYoung

Sunday, Oct. 19. The couple's children are Tammy and Brad Janowiak of Grand Rapids, Karrie and John Borton of Lowell and Marty DeYoung of Saranac. They have two grand daughters: Hayleigh Borton and Calihan Janowiak. The event will be celebrated with a family dinner.



Murray Lake September AR winners

At the end of each month Murray Lake Elementary draws five student names. Each student earns a \$10 gift card, sponsored by the Murray Lake Family Links, to Lowell Ada 5. Students can enter the drawing each time they earn five or 10 Accelerated Reader (AR) points. Murray Lake students have already accumulated well over 1,000 AR points.



Students pictured from left to right are: Marleigh Skibbe, Keaton Bell, Christian Davis, and Caiden Hinzmann. Missing: Eli Boulton.

Financial Focus, continued ... From Page 4

Disability insurance: Go long

An illness or accident will keep one in five workers out of work for a least a year during their working careers, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) might not help, because, in any given year, most claims are denied. In fact, in 2007 only about 38 percent of the 2.2 million people who applied for SSDI benefits actually received them, according to the Social Security Administration.

So, while you are healthy and working, ask some questions about your employer's disability insurance plan. What does it cover and for how long? Many employers provide short-term disability plans because they are relatively inexpensive, but as we've seen, many disabilities last a year or longer. Find out if your employer offers any long-term disability coverage, which can provide benefits until you reach age 65. If so, think about purchasing as much as you can.

If you can't get enough coverage at work, consider a policy from an outside provider. Basically, you need enough of a monthly disability insurance benefit to replace your net take-home pay, so that your current lifestyle does not change. Disability insurance policies vary widely in coverage and premium, so shop around before purchasing one.

Take full advantage of your employer's life and disability insurance plans, but if this coverage isn't enough, get what you need on your own. You'll be making a smart investment.

At Your Local Library



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Children ages six and under, and their parents are invited to the Kent District Library to "go wild" this fall. Have fun and go wild at this special Wild Things program. This program will be offered at several KDL branches throughout the fall.

Englehardt Branch, Thurs., Oct. 30 at 10:30 a.m.
Alto Branch, Mon., Nov. 3 at 10:30 a.m.

For more information contact or visit your local KDL branch, or visit us online at www.kdl.org.



In The Lowell Ledger

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OCTOBER 15:

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TUES: French toast sticks/syrup or cereal/ Graham Crackers & scrambled eggs, applesauce, fruit juice, milk.

WED: Baked chicken nuggets & dinner roll (turkey & cheese on bun also offered at Alto, Cherry Creek & Murray Lake), mashed potatoes, peaches, milk.

THURS: Ravioli (chili & crackers also offered at Alto, Cherry Creek & Murray Lake), corn, assorted fruit, fruit gelatin salad, milk.

FRI: Cheese pizza (BBQ ribbette on bun also offered at Alto, Cherry Creek & Murray Lake), green beans, assorted fruit, homemade peanut butter bar, milk.

HARRY AND PAT ERICKSON CELEBRATE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY



Harry and Pat Erickson will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary Oct. 18, 2008.

They have three daughters, Pam (Rick) Price, Barb and Brenda Erickson and three grandchildren. They have resided in Alto all of their married life.

There will be an open house to celebrate this beautiful occasion at the Bowne Center Hall near Alto on October 19 from 1-4 p.m.

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HEALTH

With Drs. Paul Gauthier, Jim Lang, Wayne A. Christenson III, John G. Meier & Tracy Lixie

HEPATITIS A

Hepatitis A is a disease of the liver caused by the Hepatitis A virus. The infection is spread by fecal contact. This can occur by eating contaminated food or drinking contaminated water. It can also occur by changing a diaper or by having sexual contact with an infected person. Several years ago there was an outbreak of Hepatitis A in Lowell due to contaminated strawberries.

Hepatitis A infection is a self limited disease that runs its course over 6-8 weeks. Children with the disease may not experience any symptoms. Most adults will experience generalized malaise, headaches, nausea, joint aches, fatigue, decreased appetite, and jaundice. Infection with the virus causes inflammation of the liver, leading to elevated liver enzymes and bilirubin in the blood. A simple blood test is used to make the diagnosis.

There is no specific treatment for Hepatitis A. If you have been diagnosed with the infection, you should get plenty of rest, avoid alcohol and tylenol, try to maintain a balanced diet and maintain adequate fluid intake.

You can keep from getting Hepatitis A by washing your hands before and after cooking, after using the bathroom and after changing diapers. Many physicians are recommending Hepatitis A shots as part of the normal childhood immunizations. You should also consider the immunization if you are traveling outside the country, especially to developing countries.

Harvest Festival, continued ... From Page 1

"We were extremely pleased with the turnout," said Liz Baker, Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce director. "Numbers were high and town was busy. The Arts and Crafts and Antique Show was well attended, we had a full house, we sold out of booth space. The Scarecrow Hoedown was

huge this year. We estimate that kids and parents built at least 175 scarecrows. Many of them were taken home by the children." She also stated, "Considering the economic news that people have heard all week, they took in the weather and the season to join us for our Harvest Celebration. We feel extremely fortunate that our community just keeps on giving and that is what makes Lowell the Next Place to Be!"

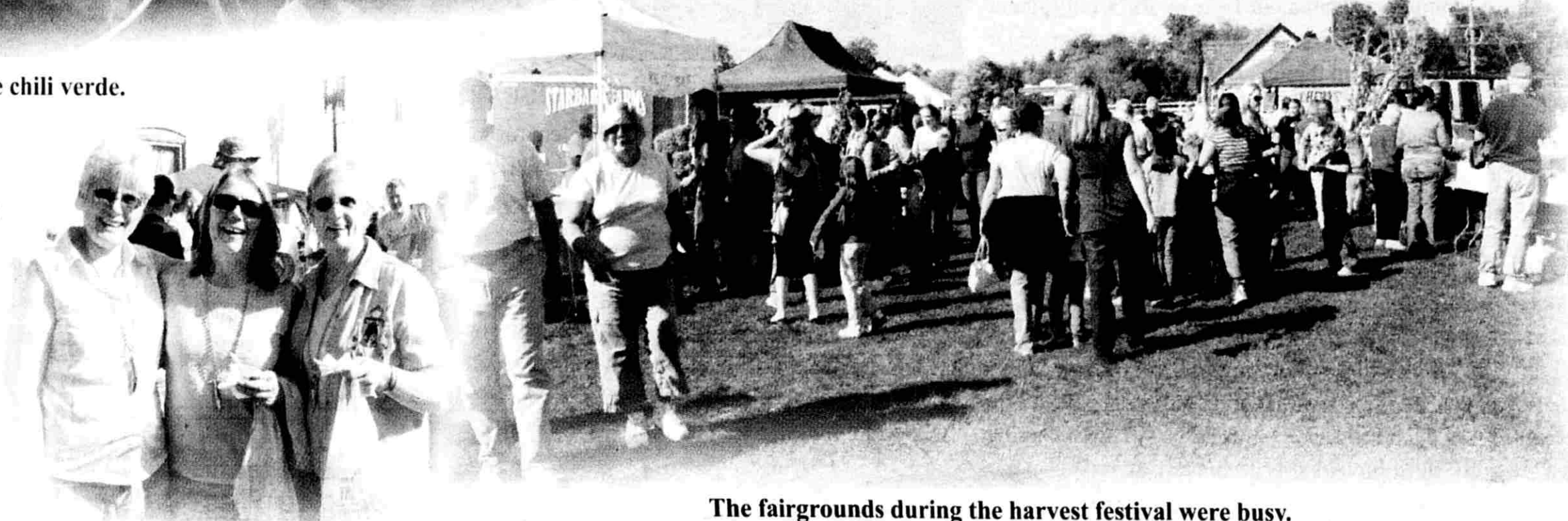


Rocky Ashlock made chili verde.



Leslie Stougaard and Lori Rinard at the chili cook-off.

Lowell Showboat Garden Club members Brenda Angelo, Gwen Hughes and Carol McGregor enjoyed sampling chili during the harvest festival.



The fairgrounds during the harvest festival were busy.

Red Arrow defense delivers Homecoming shutout

Playoff push begins Friday at G.R. Christian

by Thad Kraus

Lowell's Homecoming. Another crowning of the new queen and the coronation of the 10th consecutive homecoming win, by a Noel Dean coached club.

In the words of Lee Corso... "Not so fast." To the surprise of possibly all 6,000 in attendance, there was still some work to be done on the field at half time.

The Red Arrows met up with a group of Polar Bears that brought some game and with it gave Lowell some work in the opening 24 minutes, as was reflected in the 14-0 Lowell half time lead.

"We were impressed with Creston on film and then we had a chance to watch them in person," Lowell football coach Noel Dean said. "We could have done without all the dropped passes and penalties and that interception and all of those things."

Lowell tidied things up in the second half and pressed on to a 35-0 victory, improving its record to 7-0.

While Lowell wouldn't want to change anything, there were distractions. With parent-teacher conferences and homecoming activities, the start of the game was pushed back 30 minutes.

The biggest distraction, however, may have been what lay ahead on the schedule.

"We might be guilty as charged with our kids and where our focus is. We've played seven games and everybody keeps talking about Christian. We look forward to playing Christian, a team we haven't competed against at least in my 10 years. I'm looking forward to starting that rivalry, seeing what they are all about and going over there and playing that great game," Dean explained.

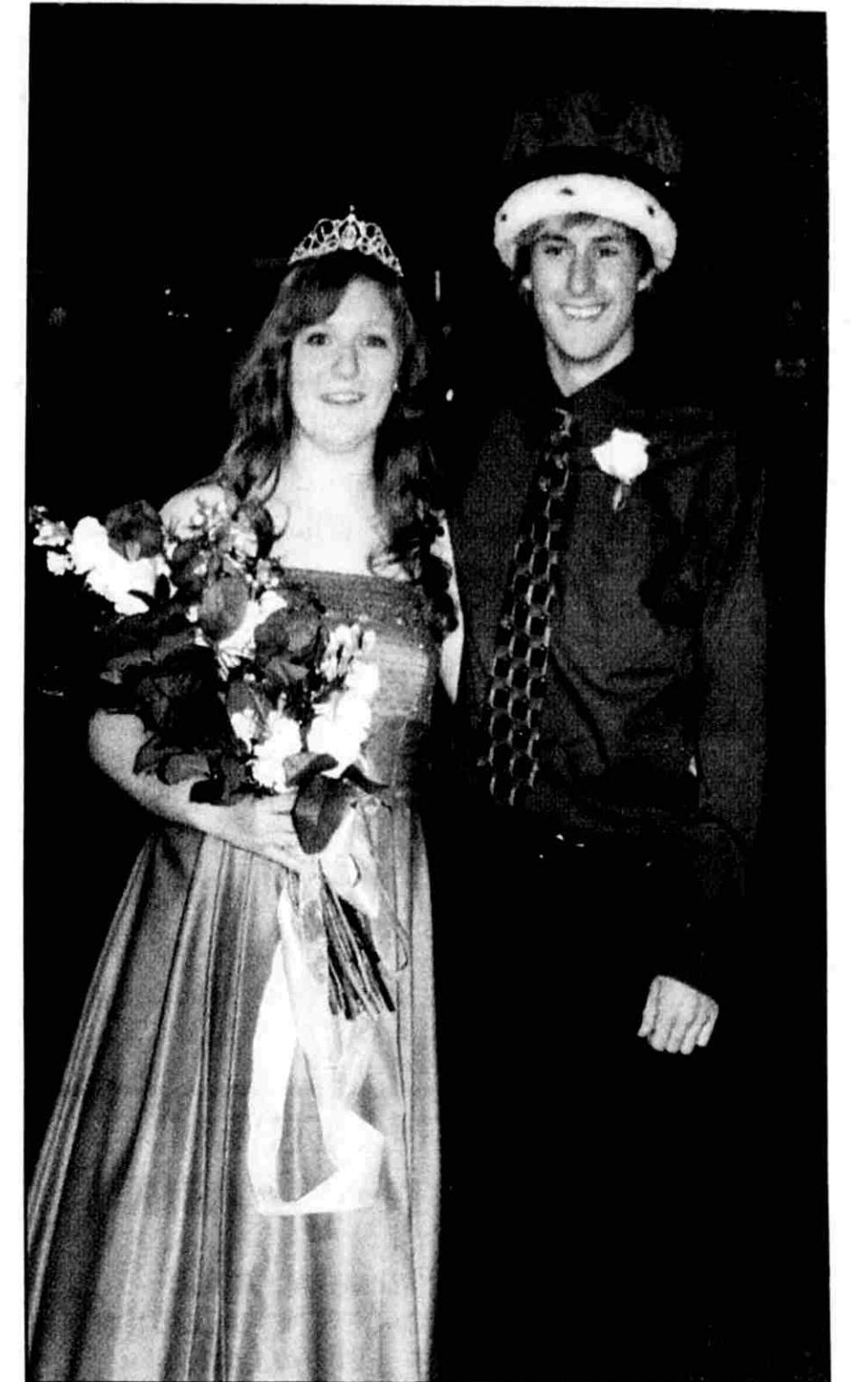
The Eagles found out

what the OK White is all about Friday night. The juggernaut that is Pioneer football handed Grand Rapids Christian its first loss (35-7) of the season.

Lowell started the game as if it would roll in similar fashion to its opening six games. The Red Arrows needed just four plays to go 90 yards. The big play was a 56-yard touchdown pass from Kyle Nichol to Torsten Boss.

The Red Arrows moved the ball in similar fashion on its second possession before

Homecoming, cont'd., pg. 11



Laura Blanton and Jonathan Woods smile for pictures as Lowell's 2008 Queen and King.



Alyssa Kargyl is introduced with her parents during the halftime ceremonies.



Tracy Jones is escorted by her parents, Toby and Cindy Jones.



Katie Kroyewitz, pictured above, shared Homecoming emcee honors with Jim McCormick and Katie Sefton.



LHS' marching band provided music from the Beatle's during Friday's halftime ceremony.

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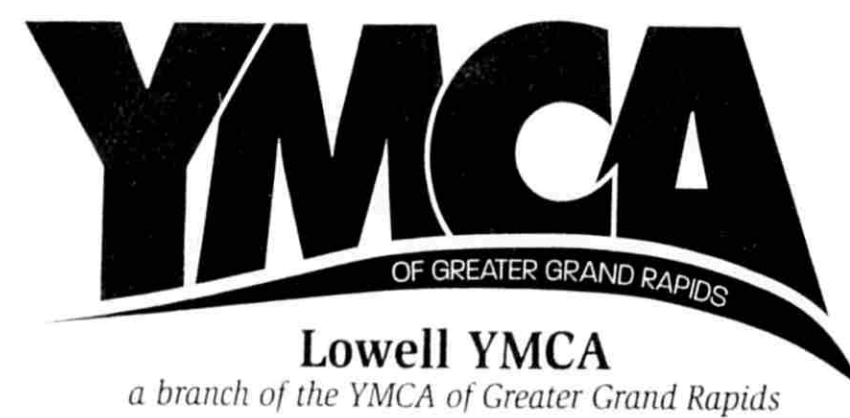
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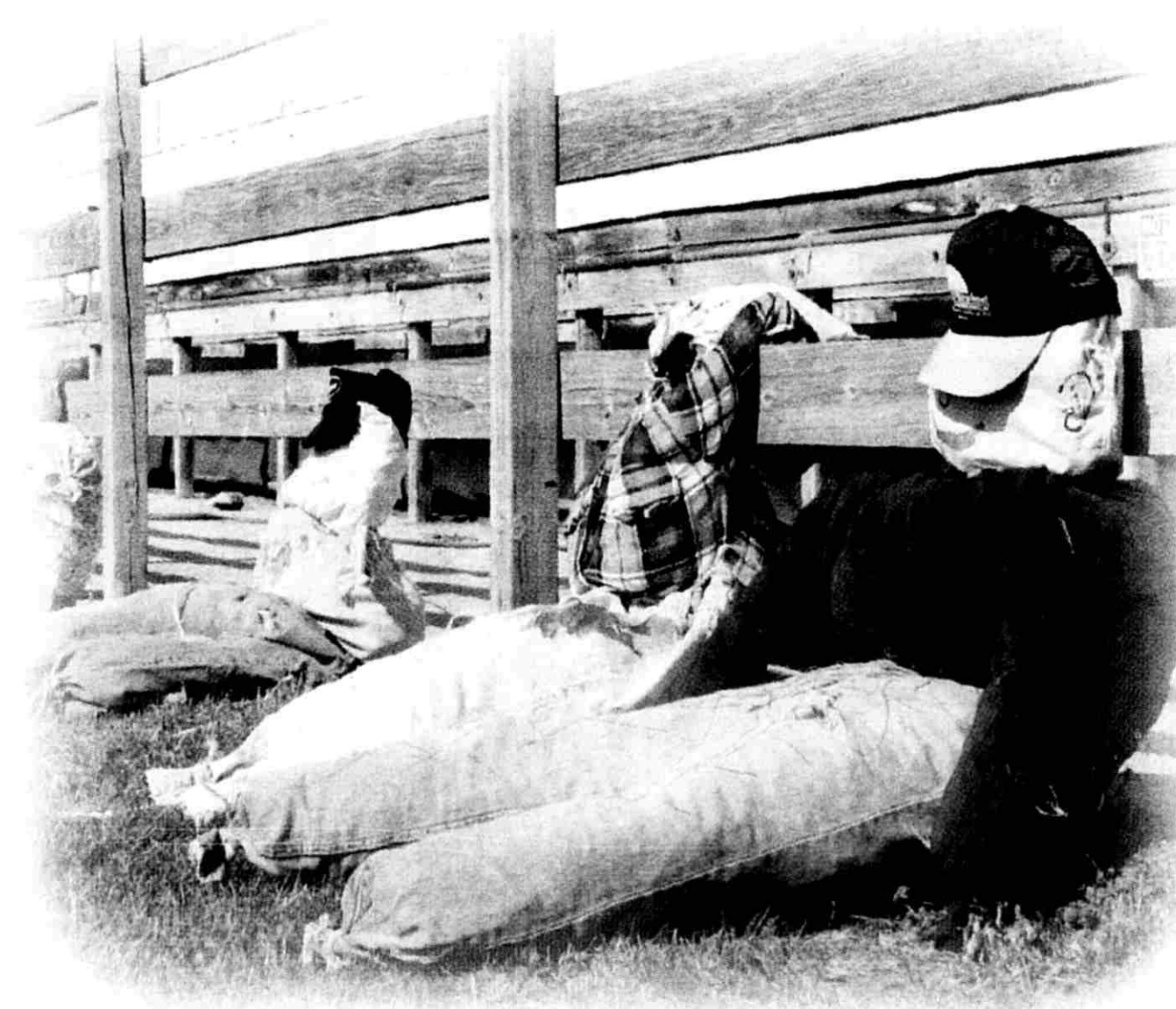
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Lowell Light and Power held an open house during the harvest festival.



Scarecrows built at the hoedown now embellish Main Street.



BIG TEN TALK

by Mac McPherson

ASPEN JET THREE ZAG LEFT

"What's that Mac? I thought the game you went to was in Evanston...not Colorado," you might say. Well, you're right. Actually "Aspen jet three zag left" might resemble a play from a Big Ten playbook in 2004. (Not printing anything esoteric. It's not exact and it's old and no longer in use.) When a play is called in the huddle, all 11 players know exactly what their assignment is...they know where they are going.

In the fall of 1999, when our oldest son Bill got into a game for his first play as a Spartan, the play call was to give him the ball. I asked Bill after the game what was going through his mind before the ball was snapped. "Were you nervous, son?" He said actually the play call told me what I had to do and then all I had to do was listen for the audible to tell me which side of the line to run through. All 11 players, after days and weeks and months

of practice together, know where they are going. They know their assignment. They are ideally so disciplined, so practiced, so well prepared, that negative nervousness is removed and error is minimized and hopefully eliminated. The results...correct team execution. Touch Down.

Last week's column talked about the preparation of a student athlete for college football. This column from Evanston, not Aspen, speaks to a team being directed by a phrase Aspen jet three (or whatever)...a play that all 11 players execute exactly what the play tells them to do. They know where they are to go...they execute their assignment, and when the team executes the play as designed, generally the result is favorable.

After football, if the players have been blessed with good coaching like at Lowell or East and like at many of the Big Ten schools, i.e., MSU, these young men are better prepared for life because of what they have learned in athletics.

Speaking of which, over here at Evanston today, the Spartans right from the opening kickoff played as a team. Everyone seemed to execute their assignments. Flawlessly? Well not to perfection every play. Keep in mind, the opponent has some good execution also. The opponent wants to win the game also. Today, in Evanston, the Spartans prevailed with key plays by many different athletes. So in short, today the Spartans executed their Aspen jet three zag left or whatever, just fine as a team. They knew where they were going and what to do when they got there. They were prepared as a team for the game and they are getting better prepared for life after football.

Moving on, last week's column singled out Minnesota as a possible dark horse. This Saturday the Gophers came up with a big win against Illinois in Champaign! Wow! Other big winners were Iowa over Indiana 45 to 9 and #6 Penn State outscored Wisconsin, at home where Badgers rarely loose, 48 - 7. Ohio State managed a win 16 - 3 over Purdue. Ohio State will eventually get to a point where

their offense matures. For you Michigan fans, hang in.

Coming this weekend, Michigan State hosts Ohio State on ABC at 3:30 p.m. with both teams at 3 - 0 in the conference. Penn State hosts Michigan and Indiana travels to Illinois on BTN 8:00 p.m. EDT. Minnesota has a bye. Watch for a battle at Wisconsin when Iowa shows up. Both teams are looking for traction. Northwestern, 5 - 1, travels to Purdue for another interesting matchup.

Honors to Swenson: Northwestern got Swensoned. Swenson, #14 is MSU's place kicker. He was perfect on three field goals. His second one made Spartan history as it set a new record of 14 consecutive field goals without a miss. Good enough to be named Big Ten special teams player of the week for two weeks in a row.

A tag line on Northwestern: Nice people. Another great setting for Big Ten Competition. Ryan Field has a capacity of just under 50,000. I love the look in the stadium. Lots of color (purple). This is a great academic university with a Rose Bowl Championship in 1949 to its credit...Northwestern over U.S.C., and a great marching band. Also, one of the fathers of another MSU player told me that his team that he played on for North Carolina came to Northwestern 31 years ago. NC defeated Northwestern 41 - 10. I asked him, "does it feel any different."

"It feels the same," said Jim Rouse.

Quote for the week: "I come from a Big 10 family. My dad went to the University of Michigan, my mom, my wife, and I to Michigan State University, and my sister to Indiana University. Three great schools and one great conference. To me, there isn't much better than a fall Saturday on a big 10 campus. If you haven't been to a Big Ten football game, I highly recommend you go. It'll be an experience you won't soon forget." Mike Frey, Lowell High graduate 1998, MSU alum and now businessman and resident with his family in Kent County.

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Red Arrow SPORTS

Homecoming, continued ... From Page 9

Creston intercepted a Nichol pass at its own 13 yard line and with it changed the game's direction in the first half.

"We came out here with the mentality that we didn't have anything to lose. I feel like we're getting better as the season goes along. It's been a two tough weeks for us. Before this, with the death of the kids and all those things. We've banned together," said Creston coach Huemartin Robinson. "We had our opportunities."

It's schedule gave Creston an opportunity to play both East Grand Rapids and Lowell in a three-week period. Robinson didn't have a scouting report, or at least

one he was willing to share.

"No! I will leave that to the coaches. They are both good ballclubs...both of them. However, every week we're getting a little better. Last week, though, we took a little step backwards. I put it on the kids to come out here and to play better. I asked them to step up and act like men and they did," Robinson said.

Trailing 7-0, Creston drove the ball from its own 14 yard line to the Lowell four before it ended when running back John Large was stopped on fourth and four.

Lowell responded. The Red Arrows, off the momentum of the defensive stop, marched 96 yards

in nine plays with Austin Graham busting into the end zone from two-yards out, giving Lowell a 14-0 lead.

Lowell took the opening kickoff of the second half and marched 63 yards in eight plays. Graham did the scoring honors on a three-yard burst, extending Lowell's lead to 21-0.

Three minutes later, Graham and his Lowell teammates marched 56 yards with Graham scoring his third touchdown of the night on a one-yard plunge.

The final touchdown came early in the fourth quarter with Nichol breaking through on a 30-yard touchdown scamper.

Nichol finished with 108 yards rushing and was 7-of-17 through the air for 144 yards and one touchdown. Graham led all backs with 141 yards rushing.

Defensively, Lowell held Creston to 113 yards on

the ground and 108 through the air.

"They (the boys) were disappointed in themselves at half time. I didn't have to say much. They got it. Those are my boys. I was disappointed for them, not in them. Embarrassing yourself

in front of 6,000 people. why would you want to put yourself in that position?"

They recovered. I thought they really played well in the second half." Dean concluded.



Wade Cole picks up yards after the catch in Lowell's 35-0 win over Creston.



Connor Kruse closes in on Creston quarterback, Deon Jobe.

Tennis season ends on a high note for Red Arrow boys

by Thad Kraus

Having not played its best tennis in the O-K White Conference tournament, Lowell netted a better effort in the season-ending regional at Grand Rapids Christian.

"Our boys played really well," said Lowell tennis coach Bonnie Wall. "It was a nice way to end the year." The Red Arrows placed fifth out of 11 teams.

"All the boys picked up their play at the regional. It was nice to see improvement," Wall said.

With the exception of first doubles all Lowell flights won their first-round regional match.

Chase Canning and Isaac Tawney, number one doubles, lost to Mona Shores 7-5, 0-6, 4-6.

"They had a really good year at number one doubles," Wall said.

Tawney and Canning

finished at 22-7 against quality competition.

Dylan Dues and Evan Wilterink, second doubles, won their first match before losing to Grand Rapids Christian in three sets.

They finished the season at 18-10.

"They were beaten by Christian in straight sets earlier in the year," Wall explained. "It was nice to see them play well and compete against a top team."

In a non conference match, Lowell fell to Kentwood 7-1.

A score like that usually indicates a team was blown out. That was not the case. The Red Arrows lost three, three-set matches and two tight two-set matches.

"Win a couple of those tight matches and everything changes. We actually could have won the match," Wall said.

Cort Thompson was the only Lowell player to post a win against his Falcon counterpart.

Thompson won in straight sets 6-1, 6-3.

Thompson, who moved up to first singles this year from third singles a year ago, finished at 12-15.

"That's not a bad record considering the competition he faced," Wall said.

Pat Misner, who played fourth singles last year, competed at second single this year. The senior posted a 16-13 record.

"Pat is a competitor. He goes for every shot and never gives up," Wall explained.

Lowell will lose five players to graduation this year. They are Garett Foote, Mike Lazar, Dylan Dues, Chase Canning and Pat Misner.

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Red Arrow SPORTS

Lowell spikers rise to the challenge in win over Northview

Red Arrows battle back to subdue Yellow Jackets

by Thad Kraus
Lowell saved some of its best volleyball of the season for what its coach framed as a must win. "If we are to finish in the upper echelon of the league, defeating Northview was a must," said Red Arrow volleyball coach GIGI Peal. "We lost to Northview in the first round of conference games so it was important to get that one back."
Lowell was in control much of game one before it watched as the Wildcats fought back to claim a 25-23 win.

"I thought we were in control much of that first game," Peal explained. "The girls could have gotten down on themselves, but they didn't. Instead, they bounced back and played some of their best volleyball of the year those last three games."
After losing game one, Lowell strung together three straight games, 25-12, 25-16 and 25-18.
The Red Arrows success arose from a limited number of errors, good serving and aggressive play against Northview's serves. "It was a great night for us," Peal said. "This win

gives us an opportunity to finish in the upper half of the league."
Lowell's coach challenged her senior leadership to step up their play and lead the younger Red Arrows.
They didn't disappoint. Madelyn Brower and Taylor Schumacher each recorded 12 kills. Brower also had a good night serving as she delivered with eight aces.
Jordan Timmer led all Red Arrows in assists with 24.
Prior to its games with

a less talented Greenville team, Peal explained that the win against Northview made its game against the Yellow Jackets that much more important.
It looked as though all the hard work the Red Arrows put forth against the Wildcats was going to be wasted as Greenville started quickly winning the first two games of the match. "We struggled to beat them in five sets the first time around," Peal said. "Greenville plays a nontraditional style of volleyball and I think the

girls got frustrated in those first two games."
Peal made some adjustments in her club's approach and the Red Arrows executed.
Schemata and Hannah Geelhoed led Lowell in kills with 10 and nine respectively.
Brower posted six aces and Timmer lead in assists with 20.
Following a road trip to Creston, Lowell will host Grand Rapids Christian on Thursday.
Not wanting to waste its effort against Northview, Lowell dug from within and took control of the match to win the last three games.

"The girls did a good job of spreading the ball around and played smart during those last three games," Peal said.
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Missed opportunities costly in loss to EGR in soccer

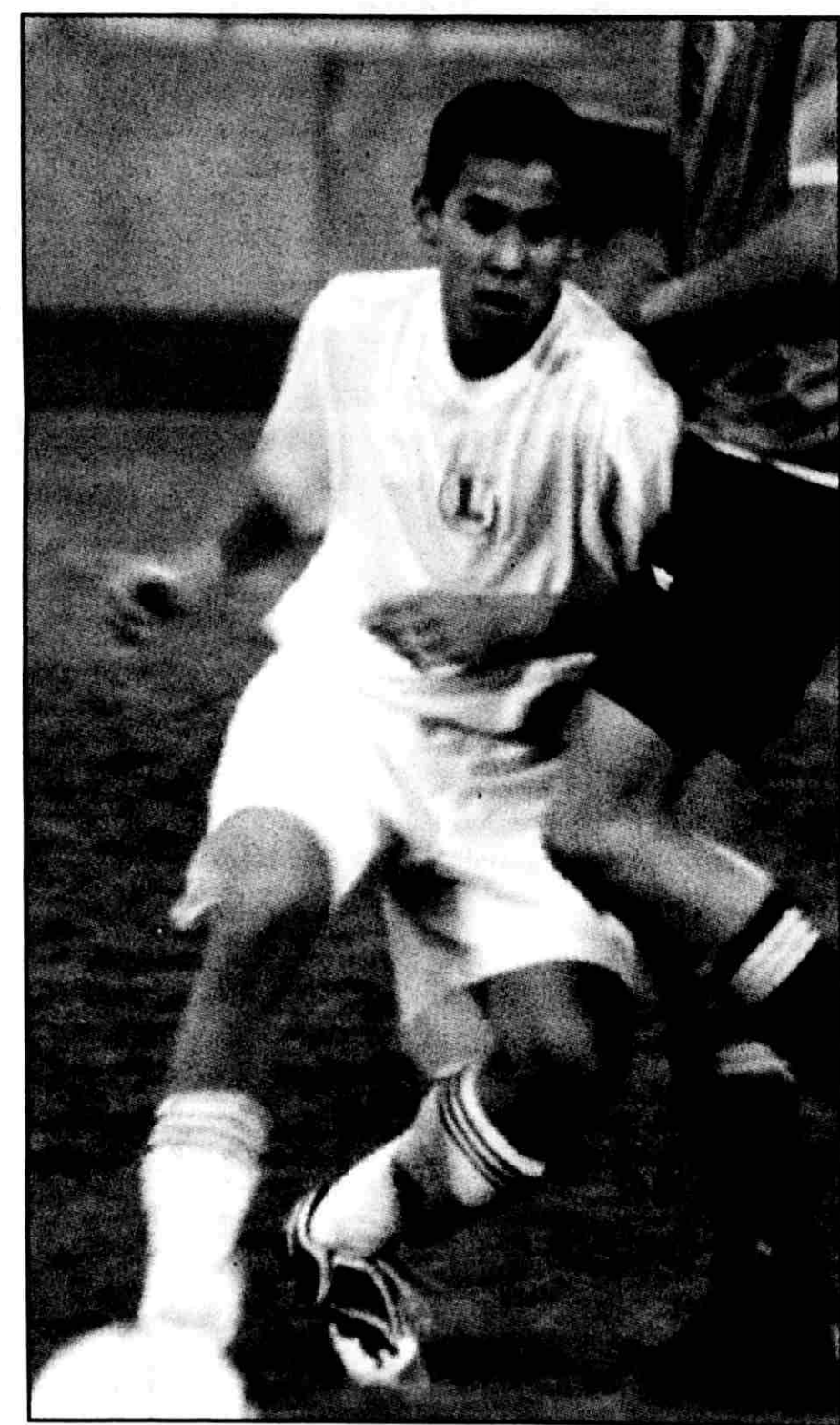
Second-half goals quiet G.R. Christian

by Thad Kraus
When a team puts opportunities away, victory is often times its reward.
When it leaves opportunity on the field, the result can be a gut-wrenching defeat.
Lowell's soccer team experienced both over a three-day period during its final week of the regular season.
"The issue for this year has been our ability to finish early," said Lowell soccer coach Paul Legge.
The Red Arrows scored early and late second half goals as it kicked aside Grand Rapids Christian 2-0 in an O-K White battle.
The win kept alive Lowell's hopes for a conference championship.
"That was the best we've defended all year," Legge said of his club's effort against the Eagles.

"The boys played hard. We had opportunities in the first half and couldn't finish."
The second half, though, was different.
Joe Sweet, forward, handed out an assist in Alex Vera's early second half goal, giving Lowell an 1-0 advantage.
Sweet took care of the scoring honors late, as he found the Eagle net with less than five minutes to play, extending Lowell's lead to 2-0.
EGR 2
Lowell 1 (2 O.T.)
Numerous 'just misses' proved to be the difference in Lowell's disappointing defeat to the Pioneers.
The loss cost the Red Arrows a league championship.
"It was an exciting game to watch. It came down to a penalty kick on

an inadvertent hand ball," Lowell soccer coach Paul Legge explained. "It was a well played game by both teams. It was a tough loss for our boys."
The Red Arrows had plenty of opportunities to win the game prior to the Pioneer winning penalty kick.
"When you don't put opportunity away, you leave winning to chance," Legge explained. "We created opportunity to put this game away before the penalty kick, but we were unable to finish."
The loss dropped the Red Arrows to 12-6 overall and 7-3 in the O-K White, placing them second in the conference.
Lowell seemed to have East on its heels for most of the final 15 minutes in regulation.
That is supported by the fact Lowell hit the post six

times, two of those came in overtime.
"We just couldn't drive a goal home," Legge said. "Our scoring has been sporadic this year. We've been hit and miss in the bigger games."
East took a 1-0 lead on a second half goal goal by Conner Fast.
Six minutes later, Lowell's Tommy Rodriguez tied the game with an assist from Joe Sweet.
The task at hand will only get tougher as district play begins this week (Tuesday).
Lowell's opening round opponent is Kentwood.
The Falcons are the defending state champions.
They have lost a total of two soccer games over the last two seasons.
"We're going to have to limit 'take aways' in back and limit their opportunities," Legge said.



Lowell's Tommy Rodriguez secures position and ball against his Christian defender.

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OKAY -

Someone Has To Say It ...

by Thad Kraus

It was an inauspicious beginning to this weekly column.
The new guy didn't get the final copy in the right folder. Therefore, the readers, that would be you, read the rough draft version.
That's no way to endear ones self to your readers. I was going to try to fill in the blanks, instead it will be easier to just print the final copy. But first I will share an interesting tidbit or two to ponder.
If you think back to the Northview football game, you may recall the Wildcats opened the game throwing quick outs to the sideline to its speedy receivers. Northview did it with some success as they drove the football into Lowell territory before the drive stalled.

Rob Zeitman, was an assistant coach at Muskegon prior to taking the head coaching position at Northview.
There is a chance Lowell will see the Reds in the playoffs. What do you think the chances are the Reds will throw something similar at Lowell? Do you think the former Muskegon assistant was helping his former school scout the Red Arrows?
I mentioned in last week's column that realignment has ended many a rivalries. More importantly, with the constant realigning every two years, makes it difficult if not impossible for new rivalries to develop.
Here is a list of just a few of those rivalries which have been brought to a close with the inception of realignment: East Grand Rapids/Forest Hills Central; Lowell/FHC; Wyoming Rogers/Wyoming Park.
What we're five-six weeks into the college football season and I sense there are some Michigan fans who are having second thoughts about Lloyd Carr's departure. Fans who have been spoiled by success, have a hard time showing patience for rebuilding. Ask Charlie Weiss! Rich Rodriguez

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Red Arrow SPORTS

Lowell served by youth at state equestrian competition

by Thad Kraus

A young Lowell equestrian team competed in the Michigan Interscholastic Horsemanship Association Division A state competition held at Midland County Fairgrounds.
"Many of our riders had not competed in a regional let alone a state competition," said Lowell equestrian coach Mary Wolf. "That's a major step to come in and compete against 138 riders at this level."
Of Lowell's 10-member team, nine of the riders are either freshmen or sophomores.
"There were 30-40 kids competing in each class," Wolf explained.
Katie Bartholomew and Katie Jousma finished third and fourth respectively in the two-man event.
Brittany Devon placed eighth and ninth in the huntseat fitting showing.
Brooke Mellema posted an eighth-place finish in

the saddleseat fitting and showing.
Others who competed in the state competition were Keerstin Bazon, Molly Doyle, Gina Giuliano, Kristen Schramm and Kelsey Wittenbach.
Lowell, placed 10th overall, competing against Milford, Hartland, Petoski, Ludington, Saline, Bull Creek, Edwardsburg, Eisenhower and Sheperd.
"All of our riders did their personal best and I am proud of their accomplishment in making it to the state competition," Wolf said.
The Lowell coach was assisted in coaching this year by Michelle Wolf, Deb Biggs, Beth Vanens and Kelly Foote.
"The equestrian club would not be possible without the support of our sponsors. We are grateful to all of them," Wolf concluded.



Top row, left to right: Molly Doyle, Katie Jousma, Brooke Mellema, Kari Bergy, Kristen Schramm, Gina Giuliano, Keerstin Bazon, Katie Bartholomew and groom Kyleigh Mills (missing from picture was Brittany Devon and Kelsey Wittenbach.) Front row, left to right: Head Coach Mary Wolf, Assistant Coach Deb Biggs, Head Coach Linda Foote, Assistant coach Beth Van Ens, and Assistant Coach Michelle Wolf (missing was Assistant coach Kelly Foote.)



Left to right: Brooke Mellema, Brittany Devon, Gina Giuliano, Molly Doyle and Keerstin Bazon.



Left to right: Katie Jousma, Kari Bergy, Kristen Schramm, Kelsey Wittenbach and Katie Bartholomew.

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is learning that nothing says pressure like 110,000 fans at every home game. Administrators can spew the company line, but its "win baby win" or "see yah!"
Michigan State has a chance to become Michigan's darlings of college football with a win over Ohio State on Saturday. I'm not a State fan, but I actually think the Spartans might do it.
We're halfway through the high school football season and I've come to the conclusion that this year, West Michigan football is down, bad, just not that good.
Sure, you have your Red Arrows, Pioneers, Eagles, Reds and Rams, but after that the pick'n is pretty slim!
What proof is there? As "they" say, the proof is in the pudding or in this case the records. There are 23 teams in the O-K conferen-

ces with records below .500. There were eight games on Friday (Oct. 3) night which implemented the running clock (used when a team is losing by 35 or more points). That represents nearly a third of the games. The records of the class programs, as aforementioned, are padded with wins against the weak, the not so good.
That's not a slap against the Lowell's of West Michigan, you have to play who you have to play, and the good programs take care of the business.
Because of a season dotted with just a spattering of good match-ups, many of the great match-ups will have to wait until the playoffs begin.
Because of a disastrous realigning program that was instituted a number of years back, fans don't even have many rivalry games to look forward to anymore.
In the OK Red, you

have the match-ups between Rockford, Muskegon and Hudsonville. In the OK White, it's Lowell and East Grand Rapids in week 10.
So there you have it, a multitude of games and only a small number of those are 'must see' match-ups.
We're left with that big daily paper to the west of us promoting a 5-0 team against the 2-3 team as some sort of game of the week.
Stop it already!
If you're a Pioneer fan, your game of week doesn't come until week 10. The big post season match-up won't come until the finals. There are no Division III road bumps for East. As it has for the past three years, East will waltz through the weak west half of the bracket before it finds a challenger in the finals.

Even that will probably be more of a coronation than a contest!
Again, that is not a slap against one of the elite West

Michigan football schools. East is on the short list of one of the best football programs in the state. It's just too bad for the Pioneers, other elite

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I've heard enough about the skate park from the parents. If the kids really wanted one, they would be the ones we should be hearing from. I haven't seen any effort from the skaters as far as fund-raising goes. So stop complaining to Mom and Dad and do something about it yourselves!

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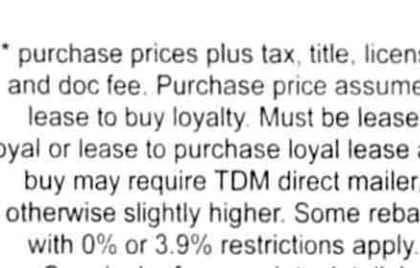
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