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Wednesday, September 2, 2009

# **Volunteers** install new playground at Richards Park

Lowell Chapter of Rotary International installed the new playground equipment at Richards Park on Friday and Saturday, August 14 and 15. The swing set has two toddler seats and four regular swings. The large play structure has a double slide and a "Typhoon" slide that is over 9 feet tall as well as other activities including a climbing wall. The X-Wave is a modern version of a teeter-totter that doubles as a balance beam. About 70 volunteers worked to remove the existing 50+ year old equipment, prepare the site, and install the new equipment over several days. Many community members came

out to work side by side with Rotarians including about a dozen Lowell High School football team members. The camaraderie of shared work and community pride showed in the smiles and fellowship among the workers who ranged in age from teenagers to stalwart 80+ year olds.

This project has been the main focus of the Lowell Rotary Club's fundraising and local community service efforts

District 6210 supported the purchase of the equipment with grant money. Generous local businesses provided in-kind outright donations of labor, use of equipment, and materials at cost to help make the project possible including Bieri Brothers Excavation, Lowell Granite, King Milling, Ace Hardware, Lowell Light and Power, Buskirk Lumber, and Self-Serve Lumber.

The Lowell Rotary Club will complete the Richards



this year. No tax money or other public funds are being used for this renovation. In addition to the funds raised by Rotary through its biannual auction and on-going paver sales, the State Farm Community Foundation and Rotary International

Park makeover this fall with the purchase and installation of removable skateboarding equipment that will be placed in the ice-skating rink during the warmer

> Richards Park, cont'd., pg. 8

# **Revised lighting ordinance to shield residents from floodlights**

by Emma Palova he Vergennes

Township PlanningComrecommended mission the amendments to

lighting ordinance to the township board for approval Monday night.

Following many months in the works, the changes pertain major

to floodlights, and some restrictions apply to coach lights.

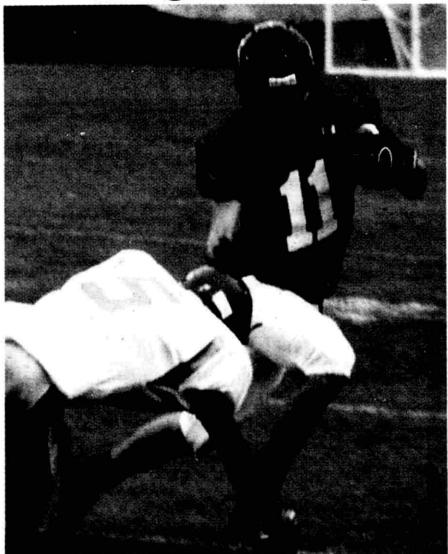
According to the proposed standards, flood lighting may not intrude on neighboring properties. Flood lighting must be shielded and directed downward; regular lights should be partially shielded with colored glass.

Some local builders opposed the proposal mainly in the area of decorative lighting.

**Chairman Scott Jernberg** said the revised ordinance is not more restrictive, but it only has been arranged in wording.

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# Let the games begin ... Red Arrows grind out a 35-6 win in opener



### by Thad Kraus

last time he Gabe Dean felt close nerves to this was prior to his regional wrestling match in Greenville.

Then, it was just him with his teammates looking on.

Friday night, it was the sophomore under center for the first time with his teammates there to lend plenty of support.

In both scenarios things turned out okay.

Dean and his Red Ar-

rows turned in a workmanlike season-opening performance in posting a 35-6 win over Detroit Mumford. "I was pretty nervous

prior to the game. But there is great leadership on this team. I got a lot of support from Austin (Graham), my line and my wide outs," Dean explained. He also got a high five from coach Noel Dean prior to the game.

However, the sophomore quarterback was focusing on his teammates afterwards. "Those guys made me look good," Dean said.

Through the air, he was 9-of-13 for 139 yards, a touchdown and one interception. "I never should have thrown the pass that was intercepted or I should have thrown it out of bounds."

The pass that settled Dean down - no, as he puts it, the reception that settled him down was a 30-yard pass-and-catch to Derek Cornish. "That was a real nice catch on Cornish's part," Dean explained.

Dean also rushed for 105 yards. But when it mattered, it was Graham who punished and wore down the Mustangs with his running.

32 times, 18 in the second half, churning up a gamehigh 168 yards and three touchdowns.

"I thought our offensive line took over the game and Austin just wears you down. We're a grind it out team. There's only an upside to that situation," Lowell coach Noel Dean explained.

Lowell finished with 309 yards on the ground.

As for the play of his young quarterback, "Gabe did things out there that allowed us to maintain possession," Lowell's coach said. "He did okay and will

Graham took the ball

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five passes for 88 yards and scored a touchdown in

Lowell's 35-6 win over Detroit Mumford.

Red Arrow wide out Derek Cornish (11) caught

ARNETT

BURR



Edith Marie Arnett, 86, o Lowell, born January 1923, went home to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ Saturday, August 29, 2009. She was preceded in death by her husband, Boyd; brothers, Ted, Jerry, and Jim; and sister, Thelma Jean. She will be deeply missed by sons, Alan (Susan) Arnett, David (Pamela) Arnett, Kevin (Maureen) Arnett; grandchildren, Robbie, Angie, Nicholas, Nathan, Kayli, Cameron, Beth, Eric, Courtney, Corrine, and Nicole; and nine greatgrandchildren. A graveside service for family will be held Saturday, September 5 at 1 p.m. at Oakwood Cemetery.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

The Lowell City Council, acting as the Zoning

Board of Appeals, will conduct a public

hearing at their regularly scheduled meeting

of Tuesday, September 8, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.

at the Lowell City Hall Council Chambers,

Second Floor, 301 East Main Street. The

purpose of said hearing would be to receive

comments on the following variance request:

414 N. Monroe - David Jordan wishes to

construct a porch addition to his home

located at 414 N. Monroe. The proposed

porch would be 18 feet away from the

front lot line. Within the R-2 District, there

must be a 30 foot front yard setback, thus

Interested persons may submit comments to

the Lowell City Hall prior to the meeting or

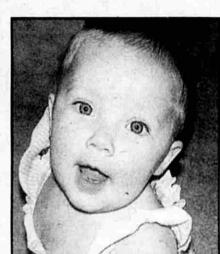
Betty R. Morlock

City Clerk

a variance was requested.

Lowell

appear in person.



Alavna Marie Burr, our precious "Princess Laynie" who did above and beyond went home to be with Jesus all we could ask or think. on Saturday, August 29, Words can not express how 2009, following acourageous much you all mean to us! battle with Leukemia. Her We are also thankful for final days were spent at Hospice of MI who kept home surrounded by loving Laynie comfortable when family and friends. Laynie we took her home, and for touched so many hearts her Prayer Buddies all over and loves in her 14 months the world. Her time here with us, and has now joined was short, but her love, joy many special friends and and amazing smile will live family in heaven. Alayna on forever in our hearts. We was an amazing child with learned so much about love such a zest for life. Brave and life from her. Our lives and courageous in her battle have been forever changed. with cancer. Her beautiful Alayna is survived by her blue eyes and irresistible loving parents, Jennifer smile would light up a room. Neve and Nicholas Burr; Everyone that met her, knew that there was something very special about her. She

watching Elmo. Mahy who never got to meet her were drawn to love her through her Carepages. She taught us all about being strong. She spent much of her life on the 7th floor of Helen DeVos Children's Hospital, where the doctors and nurses became part of our family. We will be forever grateful to them all for the special loving care that she received. With special thanks to Dr. Beth Kurt and John Younge, and nurse Sharon Nienhuis, and all the nurses and staff grandparents, Brad (Denise) Anderson, Guy (Renee) Burr, and Douglas (Dawn) Dykhouse; aunts and uncles, Kelly (Ken) Lester (Dylan Burr (Alexia), Katie and Dykhouse, Chevenne Matthew, Nathan and Jessica Turner; and many great grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins who loved her deeply. Memorial services were held Monday at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Chapel. Interment at Oakwood Cemetery. No flowers please. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Helen DeVos Children's Hospital, Hospice of MI or a children's charity of your choice.

loved singing and would

burst into song often. She

enjoyed looking at books and

### GASPER

Lewis Theodore "Louie" Gasper, 84, of Belding, passed away Friday, August 21, 2009 at Fountain View in Lowell. Louie was born on February 15, 1925 in Keene Township, the son of Theodore and Genevieve Feyan Gasper. He graduated from Lowell High School with the Class of 1942. He was a long time member of St. Mary Catholic Church of Miriam where he was active in the Holy Name Society, Knights of Columbus, and helped on the committees of the annual fall bazaar, the church cemetery, the building of a new church hall and in earlier years with St. Joseph School. Louie had also served as the Keene Township Clerk and was a past member of the Ionia County Road Commission. As a lifelong farmer, he was a member of the Farm Bureau, was a Dekalb Seed Dealer, and served on the Ionia County Soil Conservation Board. Louie had a strong faith and a great love of family and friends. He will be greatly missed. He was married on August 23, 1947 at St. Mary's Church to Mary Maxine Detmers and she survives along with Jane Gasper of Belding. and a sister and brother-in-Rockford. He was preceded Vivian Savage and Mary Lyle James in infancy.

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS **Decedent's Estate** 

File No. 09-187,192-DE

Estate of RAYMOND LEROY MURRAY, date of birth 12/5/1939.

**TO ALL CREDITORS:** 

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: Thedecedent, RAYMOND LEROY MURRAY, who lived at 2512 Lawncrest, Grand Rapids, MI 49505 died 8/2/2009.

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

ROBERT SMITH, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 180 Ottawa Ave. NW, Suite 2500, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Aug. 6, 2009

John D. Flynn -P27413 1275 Hawthorne Hills SE Ada, MI 49301 616-897-6632

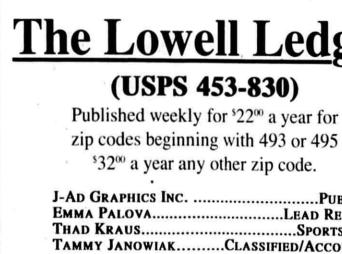
> **Robert Smith** 1638 Chalone Ct. Crown Point, IN 46307 219-647-6244

Mass of Christian Burial the army in January, 1943, Alzheimer's Association overseas in October, 1944. St. Mary Cemetery Fund. given to the Gasper family at the website of the funeral home, www.jffh.com.





Private First Class Joseph Preston Nixon, 86, a veteran of World War II, passed away peacefully on the morning of August 22. He is preceded in death by his loving mother, Grace Nixon; his father, William Nixon; two sisters, their children; Kenneth and Beulah (Orley) Marzoff and Gladys (Robert) Brown; Mary Kay Gasper of Grand brothers, Wilfred Goodwin, Louie is also survived by his Pamela Sadlak, also all, animals. He was stronggrandchildren; Nikki and preceded him. He will be Wade Bernreuter, Aaron and lovingly remembered by his Andrea Gasper, Derek and children, Pamela (Robert) Jennifer Gasper, Maddie Rowley, Mikki (Jim) Soltis, Jo Gasper, Mandy Mae Donna (Scott) Hoofman, Gasper, Jamie and Dennis and Michael Joseph Nixon; Peterson, and Mike Pott; their mother, Margaret K. eight great-grandchildren; Nixon; his grandchildren, Noah (Heather) Menerey, law, Joanne and Ray Case of Keeley Sadlak, Jaimey Sadlak, Bayley Sadlak, by his parents; two sisters, Joseph Sadlak, Rachael Rowley, Moriah Rowley, Louise Doyle; and a brother, Tara Rowley, Isaiah Rowley, Michael (Kerry) Soltis, Emily Soltis, and Jacob Preston Hoofman; greatgrandchildren, Josiah, Anna, nephews. Before entering Michigan.



JON JACOBS.

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was held Wednesday at Joseph attended Alma St. Mary Catholic Church, College. He received his Miriam, with Father Fred basic training with the Air Brucker presiding. Rite of Corps at Sheppard Field, Committal followed in St. Texas. He studied with the Mary Cemetery. Memorial ASTP for eight months contributions may be given and then transferred to to Spectrum Hospice, the the infantry before going of West Michigan or the He served with the 103rd Catus Division, 411th Condolences may also be Infantry Company A. He was shot and wounded in Muhlhusen, France on March 15, 1945 during the counter offenses in the Battle of the Bulge, for which he received a Purple Heart. After returning home to Alma, Michigan from Europe, he attended Michigan State University and graduated in 1949 with a degree in Electrical Engineering, having achieved the high distinction of belonging to the honorary Tau Beta Pi



engineering fraternity. He Rapids, and Gordon and Royce Nixon, and Robert loved history, politics, U & Riley), Adam (Cylee) Linda Gasper of Middleville. Nixon. His granddaughter, of M athletics, and most of willed and steadfast in his opinions and beliefs and will be fondly remembered for his "precious" laugh and his sense of humor. A military ceremony in honor of his service was held at Fallasburg Park on Thursday, August 27, followed by a memorial gathering of friends and family at the Lowell Veterans' Center. The family would like to thank the staff at Stonebridge and Yorkshire Manors, and the hospice team who provided our father care and comfort during his final hours. Audrey, and Jaylin; his Those who wish can make brother, Dr. Eugene Nixon; contributions to Spectrum and by several nieces and Health Hospice of West

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# Students enjoy touring the set of "Genesis Code" with filmmakers

Two Lowell school students had the rare opportunity to get a "behind the scenes" tour of the Genesis Code set. Jeff and Dylan Odland were extra's in a church scene during the filming of the movie at Calvin College. When their parents, Pete and Bobbie, signed them up for the scene they mentioned that Dylan had a disease called Cystic Fibrosis. This information got passed along to producer Michael S. Leighton. Leighton surprised the Odlands by inviting them on a "behind the scenes" tour of the set at Patterson Ice Arena personally guided by Leighton himself.

Pete Odland said he was amazed they held onto the information about Dylan's disease all that time. Leighton went out of his way to make it as exciting and interesting as possible. He took a personal interest in hearing the details about Cystic Fibrosis and "Hunt for a Cure," the charity Pete Odland formed.

During the tour, Dylan and Jeff mentioned they are Junior Black Belts in Karate, so Leighton made sure UFC champion Rich experience, Dylan said, about Cystic Fibrosis." Franklin came and hung out for a while for pictures and autographs. Franklin happens behind the scenes Genesis Code chair backs on auction at the 2010 is playing a coach in the and taking the time out of movie.



Jeff & Dylan Odland behind the scenes of the "Genesis Code" with producer Michael S. Leighton.

"Mr. Leighton is a great guy for allowing us to see what Leighton removed one of the The chair back will be

When asked about the his busy schedule to learn to use in one of his charity Before the tour ended,

and gave it to Pete Odland Camouflage Ball

auctions to raise money for Cystic Fibrosis research

# **YMCA - 50** years or memories

The Lowell will be celebrating 50 years of offering programs to the Lowell community this October.

To remember all of the fun, excitement and adventures that have taken place over the years, the Lowell YMCA is requesting that past participants bring stories and photos of their experiences to the Lowell YMCA.

Take awhile to look back and remember your grandpa who told stories

Y or your little brother that just got out of basketball practice and share those stories and photos with the Lowell community.

The stories and photos will be made into a scrapbook the YMCA. The deadline

YMCA about playing baseball at the to turn in your story and website at www.grymca. photo is October 1. Please org or stop and pick up the drop them off at the Lowell YMCA and keep your eyes YMCA. open for more information about the Lowell YMCA's

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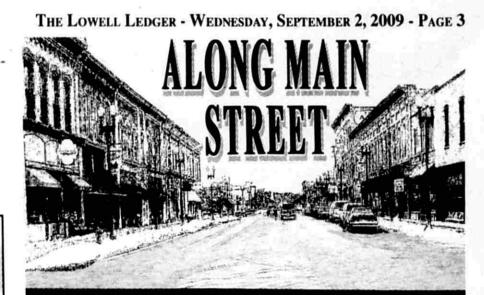
For more information, please contact Stacy Messersmith, 616-897-8445 or e-mail her at smessersmith@grymca.org

October celebration. and also put on display at be available on the YMCA



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### FROM TEAMS UP WITH SENIOR NEIGHBORS

Lowell Sr. Neighbors will display a quilt in the FROM Thrift Shop beginning Wed., Sept. 2. Tickets to win the quilt made by the Seniors, will be available for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Money made by the sale will go to the Sr. Neighbor's (Gilda's Club) Building Fund.

### FREE COMMODITIES

Food orders for low income families at the Moose Recreation Building, 1320 E. Fulton, Thurs., Sept. 3, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Bring proof of income and social security numbers for each member of household. Please bring bags. Questions, call David, 616-745-8520 or Virginia, 897-8754.

### ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES

Sign up at the Nazarene Church, 201 N. Washington St., Fri., Sept. 11, 6-8 p.m. or Sat., Sept. 12, 10 a.m. - noon. You may also order online using debit or credit card. Go to www.angelfoodministries. com. Any questions, call Esther, 897-7395.

### **CLASS OF 1959**

50th Class Reunion, Sept. 19, Fallasburg Village, 12 noon sharp. Group picture at bridge. Line music, great food & conversation to follow. For late comers, call Dottie Blain, 897-7035.

### **PUMPKIN CHUCKIN'**

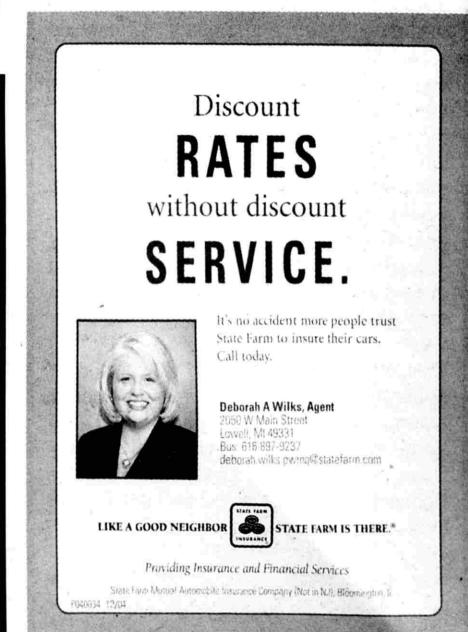
The 2nd annual Pumpkin Chuckin' contest. being held Oct. 10 at the Kent County fairgrounds, is looking for entries. There are two divisions: apple chuckin' for the younger kids, and pumpkin chuckin' for the older "kids." Build a trebuchet and see how far you can chuck your apple or pumpkin. For more information, rules and entry forms go to www.kcfg.org.

### PINK ARROW T-SHIRT SALES

This year's pink arrow shirts will be available for students and families to purchase at all orientation sessions at Lowell High School. Cost is \$15.

### FOOD PANTRY

The F.R.O.M. Food Pantry is presently in need of canned fruit and vegetables, soup, crackers, and cereals.



# **Chartwells and Lowell Area Schools support** area farmers to encourage fresh, local produce in school Chartwells . School the nation will be encouraged a rigorous quality assurance students will have access students and customers about high schools nationwide.

Dining Services, the com- to feature at least one or certification. pany that serves breakfast more locally grown produce and lunch to over 2.3 million items on their menus daily. school children each day For the September week and Lowell Area Schools, is alone, Lowell Area Schools pleased to partner with and is planning to serve over support Gavin Orchards in twenty cases of fresh, local Coopersville MI and Ruhlig produce. Six area school Farms in Carleton, MI, by cafeterias will have access to promoting local produce locally grown produce such and creating awareness of as apples, tomatoes, corn, the many health benefits peppers, yellow squash, of eating well and buying zucchini, and cabbage when local.

As of their part commitment towards sustainability. Chartwells' and Lowell Area Schools exclusively for Lowell Area will be participating in an Schools, by partnering upcoming event "It Takes with Coastal Produce, a You - Eat Local" during the produce distributor based week of September 21 - 25, in New Baltimore, MI. To 2009. During this time all ensure food safety, all of Chartwells schools across Chartwells' vendors undergo

in season.

Chartwells is able to work closely with the farms, where local produce is grown

"We'd like to thank fruits and vegetables. Chartwells for being prowith us to bring local, fresh tasting, grown fruits and vegetables from our farms to our students in schools." said Cherie Weichel, of Coastal Produce. Chartwells'

to nourishing and flavorful

Compass Group North active and working closely America, Chartwells' parent company, has extended the September "It Takes You - Eat Local" campaign to other markets served, such as higher education of Charlotte, NC-based and corporate dining, due Compass Group, provides hope is that by supporting to their overall pledge of dining services for over 500 For more information about local farmers today, farms encouraging responsible and public school districts and continue to thrive in local sustainable practices in their private schools, comprising cgnad.com. communities tomorrow, and supply chain. All around, over 4000 separate that future generations of the promotion will educate elementary, middle and

sustainability the benefits of eating fresh, local produce and how buying local affects our communities and wellness. Chartwells

About School Dining Services

Chartwells, a division

# If Facebook can't help, maybe Social Security can

networking websites know do what we can to help that it can be exciting to friends and relatives over the Internet. Such surprise connections can be fun and conjure up memories of times forgotten. What if you have a more serious situation and you need to locate a particular person? Perhaps Social Security can help.

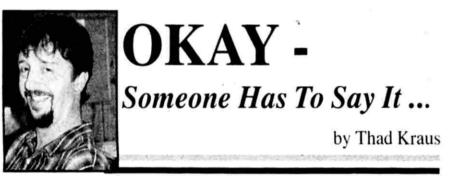
not reconnecting people.

People who use social But, in some cases, we will

reconnect with long lost forward a letter to a missing a son, daughter, brother person under circumstances or sister want to establish involving a matter of great importance, such as a death or serious illness in the forwarding a letter. missing person's immediate family, or a sizeable amount of money that is due the missing person. Also, the However, we must charge circumstances must concern a \$25 fee to cover our costs Social Security is in the a matter about which the when the letter is to inform ltrfwding.htm. business of paying benefits, missing person is unaware the missing person of money

would undoubtedly and want to be informed. In less We will attempt to dire cases, such as when contact, we will write to the missing person, rather than

> forwarding letters that have a humanitarian purpose.



This is easily becoming one of my favorite sport topics. The sleaze and slime that is college basketball coaching.

You may remember a while back reading in this column about John Calipari. He's the coach that left Memphis for Kentucky. He said he wouldn't take any of his Memphis recruits with him. He did.

He said the Memphis program under his watch was clean. It wasn't. The NCAA recently announced that it was vacating all of Memphis' 38 wins and its national title game in 2007-08 because under Calipari's watch one of his players fraudulantly took Derek Rose's SAT for him.

Coach, we're counting. That is now two (Massachusetts being the first one) final four teams you've coached where the records have been vacated/erased because of wrong doing under your watch. Will Kentucky make three?

Do you want me to go into detail about Rick Pitino's sexcapades? Sex with a woman other than his wife in the back of a restaurant. (Okay, I'll stop with the details).

A Kentucky basketball beat writer was recently asked if Pitino would survive the scandal. I kid you not, the reply was 'yes, if it did not affect Wildcat recruiting.' So what sort of life lessons are these five star coaches

teaching America's youth? In Pitino's case, he's so arrogant he has a priest travel

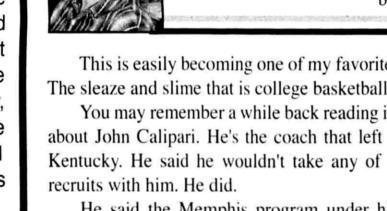
with him (the team). I guess Pitino will need him to go into homes and talk about family values. Talk about deception!

Don't worry Louisville and Kentucky fans, your basketball worlds are safe as long as you can stomach the stench emanating from your benches.

Pick 10

I'm working to see if I can get my bowl picks and NCAA tournament picks vacated. However, I will keep my 7-3 mark for the first week of high school football. So here goes week two's Pick 10 selections:

against Holt.





VERGENNES TOWNSHIP **Notice of Adoption** Ordinance 2009-1 **Private Road Ordinance Amendments** 

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Ordinance 2009-1, amending certain portions of the Vergennes Township Private Road Ordinance Section 202.000, was adopted at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Vergennes Township Board held on Monday, August 17, 2009 at 7:00 PM, at the Vergennes Township Hall, located at 10381 Bailey Drive, Lowell, MI. The amendments are as summarized below:

The amendments clarify and add more definitions, make all terms diameter instead of radius, allow the Twp. Engineer to recommend improved surfaces where erosion conditions exist as an approval condition, add details on boulevard entrance requirements, created cross section illustrations of road construction standards. update recording requirements 0 maintenance agreements and drainage easements, Twp Board may require upkeep of a private road, add a financial guarantee requirement submitted for road improvement costs and insurance, add a method for road construction plan deviations, add a section outlining the developer's engineer road completion certification, add testing standards, outline final approval by Twp. Board, add section on building houses before the road is completed, add new section regarding shared driveways and update fees, penalties and indemnification sections.

This ordinance takes effect 30 days after The complete ordinance publication. amendments can be reviewed at the Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, PO Box 208, Lowell, MI 49331 Phone: (616) 897-5671 [fax 897-5674] or on the website at www.vergennestwp.org.

> Mari C. Stone Vergennes Township Clerk

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or property due. This fee is not refundable.

To try to locate an address in our records, we'll need the missing person's Social Security number or identifying information such as date and place of There is no charge for birth, father's name, and the mother's full birth name.

> Learn more about this service at socialsecurity.gov/foia/html/

Rockford suffers first loss of the season at home

The Knights are defenseless against EGR.

Muskegon rolls past Ottawa Hills

Hudsonville travels to Novi and turns back the Shamrocks of Catholic Central

South Christian goes to 2-0 with win over Wyoming Park.

Grandville wins again against Traverse City West.

Caledonia with win over recovers Jenison.

East Kentwood upends Inkster.

Catholic from Central recovers opening week loss to defeat Cedar Springs.

Lowell goes to 2-0 with road win at Holland

# Viewpoint-

# To The Editor

Dear Editor.

I would like to comment and clarify on the article printed last week on "Planning commission tables temporary garage ordinance." I have been a Lowell city resident for four years now and take great pride in my community and property. In the last four years, I have done a lot of landscaping and gardening to increase the visual appeal of my house. Some of the projects include a brick retaining wall, seven berms with a variety of shrubs and flowers, and rock paths in the backyard as well as around the border of the house.

I spend hundreds of hours in the yard, but this is not work for me. I enjoy every minute of it and after the project is done it continues to give me a sense of accomplishment and beauty. I do feel the neighbors and other Lowell residents feel the same way because I have had several comments on how beautiful it looks and how much it has changed for the better. I remember last year a person actually stopped their car and got out, just to say how much they have enjoyed the progress and to keep up the good work. I explain all this, not to boast, but to show how much I care about Lowell and maybe to inspire someone to work on their house.

I just put up a temporary garage, one day before the planning commission's meeting on Monday. I was unaware there was a debate going on until a friend gave me a call Monday stating he has been in discussion for the last few months on the topic and that he also has a temporary garage. So I decided to give my thoughts and go to the meeting. I was quoted as saying, "I had a similar temporary structure and have never been fined

or regulated." I never stated that. I had only had my temporary garage up for one day. That was not a lot of time to regulate. I feel having guidelines and working with the planning commission is great for the city of Lowell, neighbors and residents. Temporary garages are built for protecting your property and more importantly, concealing things that may not look appealing just sitting outside in your yard.

When I put my temporary garage up, I concealed a fishing boat, canoe, a ladder, and two old grills. This was all on the side of my house "not looking the greatest." My debate is not about allowing temporary garages

By Shelly MacNaughton because the city does allow this. The concern is on the material allowed. The current regulations do not state **125 YEARS AGO** if the temporary garage can be soft sided. Both soft THE LOWELL JOURNAL and hard temporary garages protect and conceal your **SEPTEMBER 3, 1884** property, so I do not see a reason to discriminate by the A bouncing boy at Mrs. F. D. Eddy's arrived Sept. 1. material. Soft sided temporary garages cost a lot less, His voice is for Blaine & Logan. and in tough economic times, may be all one can afford Tons of apples will be left to enrich the earth this fall. to put up. The new soft sided garages are build to last; Very plentiful, the apple is this year. mine has reinforced steel all held together by bolts. It The JOURNAL received a pleasant call from Hon. D, has a tough fade resistance tarp that is dark green to A. Blodgett, of Grand Rapids, Saturday. Mr. B. is known in blend into the surroundings; it also has reinforced cables this state and elsewhere as one of the wealthiest lumbermen attached to the A-frame so the weight of the snow will and keenest business men in Michigan. not bend the pipes.

The only difference is a hard sided garage will last longer, but over time both hard and soft sided temporary garages will need to be fixed up and/or replaced.

This is what I propose, that the city allows both Work has begun on the repairs and extensions of the materials but clearly states when a temporary structure Lowell Municipal Light and Power Plant, that will take until needs repairs or needs to be replaced. If anyone would November, and possibly longer, to complete. like to view or see the soft sided garage, stop by my A little scare spread among the power users last week house. And if you would like to attend the next meeting, when it was learned that the Grand Rapids Muskegon come on September 28 to City Hall. Electric company, which had contracted to take on the load Steve Flohr during our shut down, had said that owing to low water they would be unable to keep its bargain.



With Senator Carl Levin

The link between America's manufacturing might and its national security is as old as our nation. From Washington's troops in the War of Independence, to the bomber crews of World War II, to our brave men and women in Iraq and Afghanistan, our ability to produce more, newer, and better equipment has kept our fighting troops safer and helped make them more effective. And at the center of America's industrial heartland, Michigan's crucial role in preserving that advantage is decades-old.

Two recent events will further deepen this connection between Michigan's industrial strength and the nation's defense. In mid-August, I was honored to help celebrate the groundbreaking for a new facility in Warren that will put our military on a path to a more secure energy future. And in July, the Senate passed the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2010, a bill that includes more than \$400 million for Army research on new combat vehicles and automotive technologies. That research and dozens of other projects contained in the bill, which is expected to clear Congress and go to the president later this year, will continue Michigan's proud heritage of contributing to our defense.

The groundbreaking ceremony at the Army's Tank Automotive Research, Development and Engineering Center (TARDEC), was a significant moment for our military and for Michigan. When completed, TARDEC's Ground Systems Power and Energy Laboratory will be a state-ofthe-art facility. It will house experts working in eight worldclass labs, developing and testing new battery technologies, electricity distribution systems, hybrid-electric powertrains, advanced fuel cells and more. Congress approved the \$18.5 million in funding for the facility in 2007.

The facility represents a major, coordinated thrust by the Defense Department to develop alternative energy technologies to make military vehicles safer, more efficient and less dependent on fossil fuels. And it demonstrates what military officials already have told us: that Michigan, the center of our domestic auto industry, will continue to provide the important connection between automotive technologies and defense.

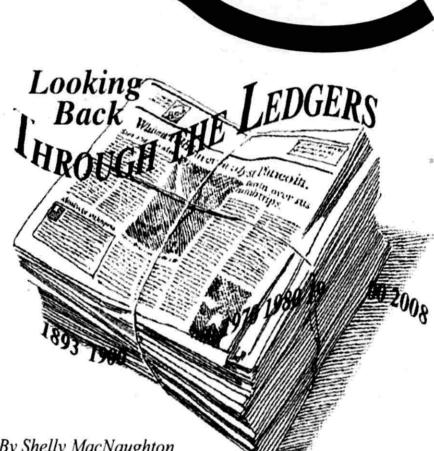
The second strong sign is the Senate's version of the 2010 National Defense Authorization Act, which authorizes several more TARDEC projects, including \$20 million for alternative energy research, another \$20 million for advanced battery development and \$12 million for unmanned ground vehicle research.

Michigan companies are likely to benefit from other projects included in the bill, including research and development of engines for unmanned ground vehicles, materials for semiconductors in hybrid-electric vehicles, and heat-management products for Army vehicles.

Beyond research and development, Michigan evening when the car which he had jacked up in the garage manufacturers will make major contributions to ongoing at his home, fell, crushing his chest and neck. He was missions. The bill authorizes more than \$3 billion to buy dead on arrival at Blodgett hospital where he was taken by new medium and light tactical vehicles; \$1.5 billion for new ambulance. humvees; \$6.7 billion for more Mine Resistant Ambush Bill Wittenbach was president of Wittenbach Sales Protected Vehicles, or MRAPs, which protect our troops and Service Co, organized in 1945 with his two brothers, from roadside bombs; and more than \$1 billion for the Everett who is vice-president, and Harold, who is secretary-Abrams Main Battle Tank and Bradley Fighting Vehicle treasurer. They operate a very successful farm implement, programs. Contractors across the state play major roles in truck and auto dealership, and appliance business. these programs.

And the state's defense work isn't limited to vehicle technology. Michigan companies will be involved in an extensive array of projects for the military, such as cruise missile engines, lasers to help aircraft evade missiles, systems to test battlefield water supplies, and cold weather gear for the Marines.

That Michigan companies can play such varied roles in our nation's defense is powerful testament to the quality of the future." Lippert announced this week that he has sold our state's workers and the vibrancy of our businesses. Our troops are safer and our nation is stronger because of their work.



### **100 YEARS AGO** THE LOWELL LEDGER **SEPTEMBER 2, 1909**

However, President Look went to Grand Rapids Monday and fixed the thing up, agreeing for our people that we would use as little current as possible. In accordance with this agreement, house customers are requested not to use more than two incandescents at a time until heavy rains have filled the river.

### **75 YEARS AGO** THE LOWELL LEDGER AND ALTO SOLO **SEPTEMBER 6, 1934**

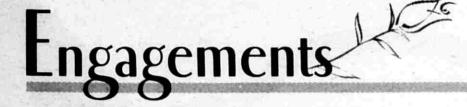
The King Milling Company began construction this week on an improvement which will mean much to Lowell as a wheat center. The improvement in question consists of the construction of two concrete tanks for the storage of wheat, which when completed, will have a capacity of 35,000 to 40,000 bushels of grain.

### **50 YEARS AGO** THE LOWELL LEDGER **SEPTEMBER 3, 1959**

Wilbur (Bill) Wittenbach, 43, was killed Tuesday

### 25 YEARS AGO THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER **SEPTEMBER 12, 1984**

When Charles "Chuck" Lippert first purchased the old Christiansen Drugstore, here in July of 1968, he was described in the Ledger as "a young man with an eye on his entire chain of thirteen stores to Rite-Aid Corporation, a 1,231 store chain of discount drugstores headquartered in Shiremanstown, Pennsylvania.



### Halbeisen/Palm



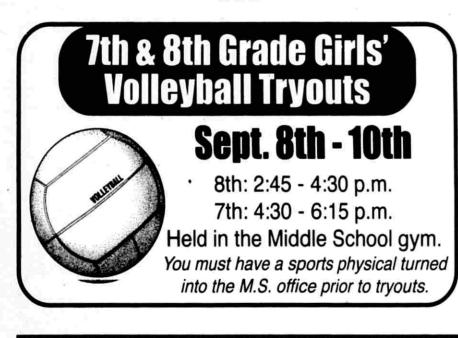
Julie Halbeisen and Daniel Palm

and Daniel Arthur Palm will The future groom, of Reese, be united in marriage on is the son of Jeffrey and April 10, 2010. The bride- Mary Palm, also of Reese. to-be, of Frankenmuth, is the He is a graduate of Reese daughter of Alan Halbeisen High School and Michigan and Linda LeSage, both of State Institute of Agricultural Ada. She is a graduate of Technology. Lowell High School and

Julie Lynn Halbeisen Michigan State University.

\*\*\* Never face facts; if you do, you'll never get up in the morning.

> - Marlo Thomas \*\*\*



Ballard



ew Arrivals

Xander James and Diesel Troy Ballard

Announcing the arrival of Xander James and Diesel Troy, born prematurely on July 28, 2009. They were welcomed home by their parents, Franklin and Angela (Clinger) Ballard, along with big sisters, 11-



**SEPTEMBER 2:** Eric Elzinga, Whitey Brian Haan, Mitch Mercer. Tubergen, Virginia Conner, John Stevens, Bryant Sloan-Johnson.

**SEPTEMBER 3:** Bailey Allen, Fay Johnson.

**SEPTEMBER 4:** Ashlie Hathaway, Mark Smith. Ron Merriman, Theresa Engle.

**SEPTEMBER 5:** Barb Vezino, Kohlton Scott Clouser.

year-old Ashlie (Clinger) 4-year-old Jadyn. and Proud grandparents are Dan and Nancy Fansher, and great-grandmother, Arlene Fansher, all of Lowell. The Ballards now make their home in Iowa.

**SEPTEMBER 6:** 

**SEPTEMBER 7:** MacKenzie VanDerWarf. Gloria Morris, Karah Baker.

**SEPTEMBER 8:** Wilma Fairchild, Terresa Kenney, Papa Wilson, Brendan Lobbezoo.

College News

Michigan Central University is pleased to announce the May 2009 graduates, which includes:

Kathleen Ciosek, Julie Ely, Kelsey Morgan, Matthew Rogal, and Kelly

Trumble, all of Ada. Cassandra Bird.

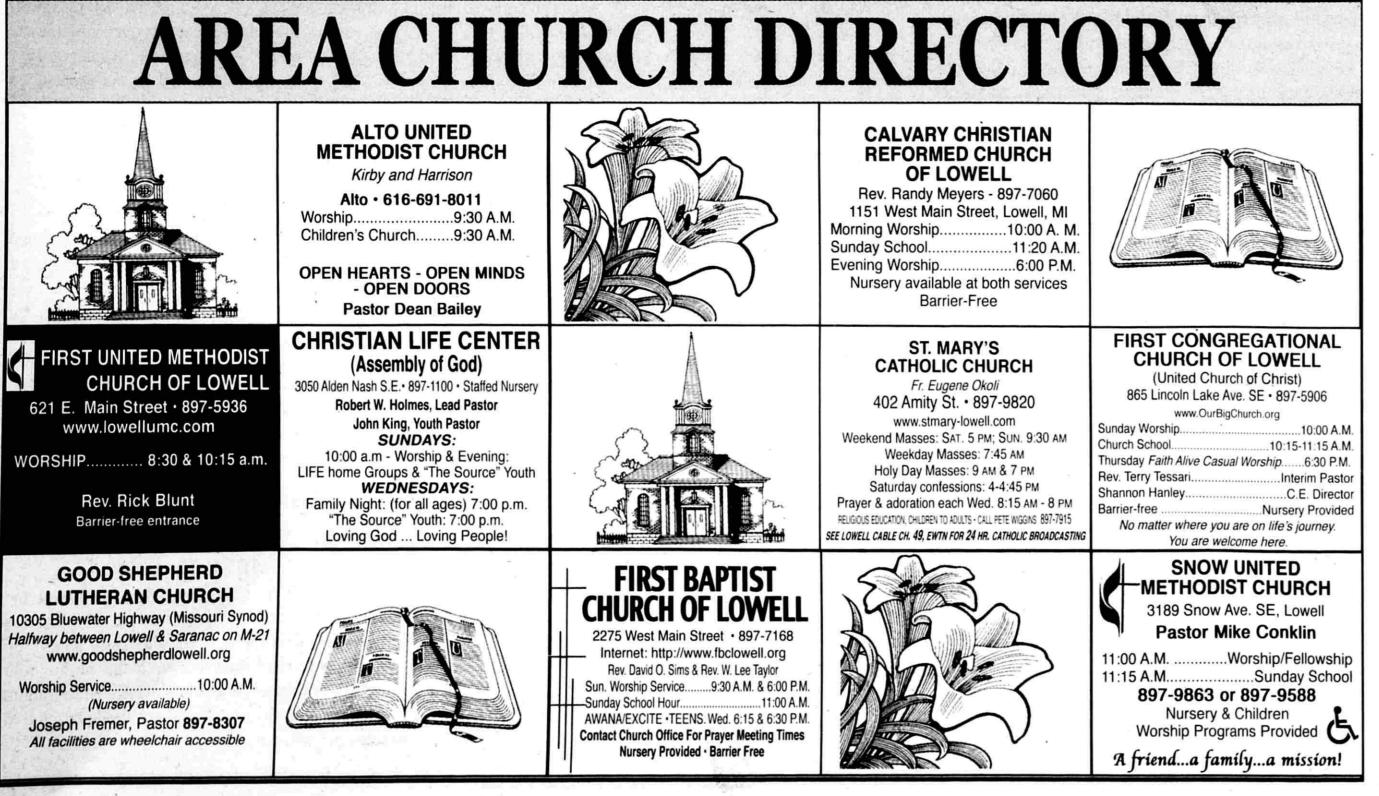
Ronald Acheson, Karl Bouwhuis, Matthew Brown, Kimberly Hoogewind, and Rebecca Van Laan, all of Lowell.

officials University that have announced more than 3,000 students received Academic Honors for the semester that ended in May 2009 at Ferris State University and Kendall College of Art and Design.

Charles Alm, Alison Bedi, Benjamin Biondo, Darcie Clements, Spencer Flory, Angelo Franchi, Christopher Hendricks, Natalie Hughes, Evan Hyma, Kristie Kurth, Brett Lesiewicz, Sarah Graham Lockwood, Otten, Kari Searls, Alyssa Spielmaker, Kasey Stowell, Claire Vredevoogd, and Lenin Duran-Solorzano, all of Ada.

Susan Burchardt, Allen Devoll, Sara Fifarek, Janay Senneker, Thomas Stiles, and Steve Yonker, all of Alto.

MellissaBlattner, Devin DeCator, Amanda Ezinga, Travis Gillan, Trevor Hoard, Brittany Huisman, Whitney Jernigan, Andrew Kelly, Michael Kleinpaste, Eric Mundt, Dustin Pedley, Ruegsegger, Maranda



Blake Spoelman, James Veinbergs, KyleWittenbach, and Angela Worsley, all of Lowell.

To be eligible for Academic Honors, undergraduate students must have accumulated at least a 3.5 GPA in no fewer than 12 credit hours of coursework at the 100 level or higher during the given semester, while part-time students must have accumulated at least 12 credit hours of graded coursework at the 100 level or higher with a 3.5 semester GPA and a 3.3 cumulative GPA.

Ferris State University, Kendall College of Art and Design, and the College Professional and of Technological Studies has announced the following local students completed the requirements for certificates, associate, bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees during the semester that ended in May 2009.

Charles Alm, Summa Laude; Vanessa Cum Beddows; Smita Chandra; Christopher Hendricks; Sarah Lockwood, Summa Cum Laude; Ryan Nugent; Kari Searls; and Alyssa Spielmaker; all of Ada.

Forsberg, Thomas Cum Laude, of Alto.

Mellissa Blattner, Cum Laude; Tamara Coffey. Cum Laude; Leslye Galey; Brittany Huisman; Whitney Jernigan, Magna Cum Laude; Tammy Johnson; Jennifer Laux; and Dustin Pedley; all of Lowell.

## **Budget** Update/ **Back-to-School Tips**

With Rep. Dave Hildenbrand

The conversations, both in Lansing and the district, continue to revolve around solving the State's \$1.7 billion budget deficit. With no budget agreement yet and just over a month until the beginning of the 2009-10 fiscal year, I believe we must address our structural spending problems so we do not continue to face state budget deficits year after year. By passing long-term reforms now, we can solve the for all of us to review some safety measures. current budget problems as well as implement long term policies to keep government spending under control and also position Michigan's economy to be competitive in the future. Along with reforms and cuts, I have proposed to use federal stimulus dollars to encourage small business growth and create jobs by investing in our state's infrastructure. By using these one-time dollars for one-time expenditures, we can spur the economy and get Michigan residents back to work without creating new financial liabilities for the state. I recently discussed my thoughts on the budget on WoodTV 8 which you can view at: http://www.youtube. the bus when the stop signs are out. com/watch?v=ieRa8o5a1bg.

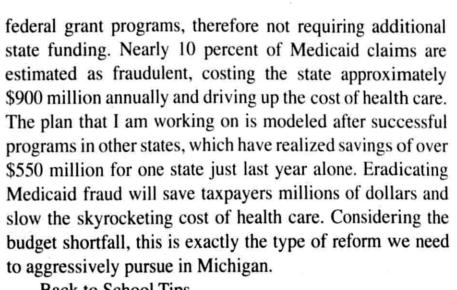
Working to Lower Health Care Costs

One of the long-term government reforms that will create efficiencies in government spending, both now and into the future, is to eliminate Medicaid fraud and abuse in our health care system. Under the Department of Community Health, the state can create a Medicaid Inspector General to address these fraud issues. This office would be funded through



MarineCorpsLanceCpl. Kyle R. Riley, son of Loretta provides entry-level training at the School of Music in completion, Norfolk, Va.

The Music Basic Course S. and Richard W. Riley of to qualify Soldiers, Sailors, Lowell, recently graduated and Marines for careers as daily wind ensembles, jass of Lowell High School and as an instrumentalist from military musicians in their ensembles, drill bands and the Music Basic Course respective services. Upon small chamber ensembles



Back to School Tips

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 minds. It's important

 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 open for children John G. Meier & Tracy Lixie crossing the street during our early-morning commutes, as well as on our way home from work in the afternoon. Be on the lookout for flashing yellow lights behind buses METABOLIC SYNDROME indicating that the bus will stop, and keep at least a 15-foot Metabolic syndrome is a term used to describe a distance in front of or behind a stopped bus. Always stop for constellation of symptoms that confer a high risk of developing diabetes in the future. These risk factors are:

 If your child is walking to school, be sure he or she An enlarged waistline - a waistline of 35 inches or is walking with a buddy, an older sibling, or a friend. Make more in women, and 40 inches in men. sure to plan out a route with your child that he or she will be • A higher than normal triglyceride level (150 or taking to and from school, and get to know neighbors along greater) the way so that your child can have a safe place to go to if A low HDL level - lower than 50 for women, and necessary. Remind them to be alert and never get in the car lower than 40 for men. with someone they don't know. • A higher than normal blood pressure (130/85), or

Be sure to discuss important driving safety rules

bandsman their receive designation and are assigned to their first fleet throughout the United States transfer to his permanent and abroad. During this 21- duty station at 2nd Marine week period, emphasis is on Airecraft Wing Band in the individual's instrumental performance. Students attend graduates to fine-tune their skills

with classroom and private instruction.

Riley was trained as a band in locations tuba instrumentalist and will Cherry Point, N. C. Riley is a 2008 graduate

joined the Marine Corps in February 2008.



We were able to help over 83 families

supplement their children's lunches.

and churches that made this year's lunch

to thank the many Meijer associates who

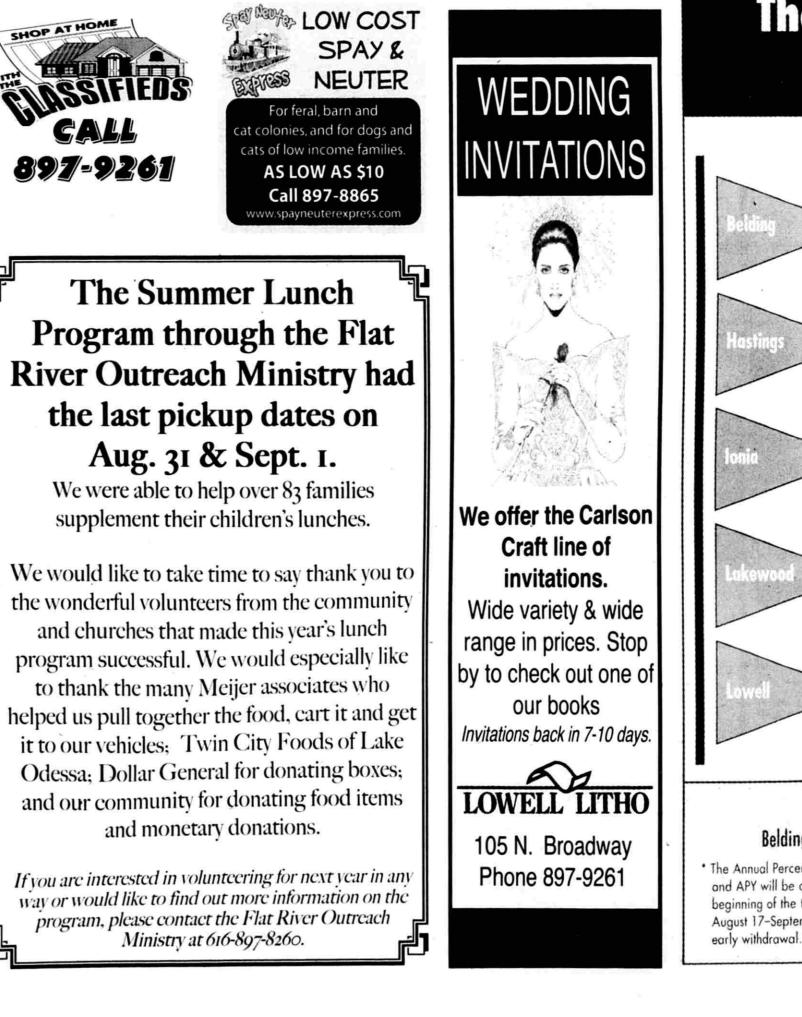
Odessa; Dollar General for donating boxes;

and our community for donating food items

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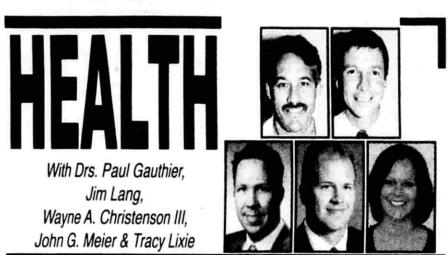
program, please contact the Flat River Outreach

Ministry at 616-897-8260.



THE LOWELL LEDGER - WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2009 - PAGE 7 with your children if they will be starting to drive to school this fall. It may be helpful to create rules with your child in the form of a contract. An example of a safe-driving contract can be found at Secretary of State's website at: http://www.michigan.gov/documents/DES\_Parent-Teen\_ Safe\_Driving\_Contract\_157407\_7.pdf.

Children are never too old for safety tips and neither are adults. It's always a good idea to refresh 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.



being on medications for high blood pressure.

 A higher than normal fasting blood sugar (greater than 100).

Having metabolic syndrome increases your risk of heart attack and stroke. It also is viewed as a "pre-diabetes" condition. Studies of large populations in the U.S. indicate 25 to 35 percent of the population meets the above criteria.

The main treatment for this condition is weight loss, increased physical activity, and improved diet. Weight loss goal should be a 10 percent loss in one year. The physical activity goal is 30 minutes of sustained aerobic exercise five days per week. Diet changes should include low sodium, low cholesterol, and an increase in fruits, vegetables, and some types of nuts. The ideal diet is something termed the "Mediterranean diet" and is easily found in bookstores and online.



# **Richards Park, continued** ... From Page 1

useful year-round. Grants engraving. from the Look Foundation, are available from Scott the Lowell Area Cable McDowell at All Weather service organization made up meets weekly. TV Endowment Fund, the Lowell Arbor Committee. and the Lowell Area Community Fund through the First Congregational Church and Our Love Skate Park group will cover 80 percent of the costs of the skateboard equipment. The rest of the money is being raised by Lowell Rotary through the sale of engraved granite pavers which will be installed as a permanent border around the new playground area.

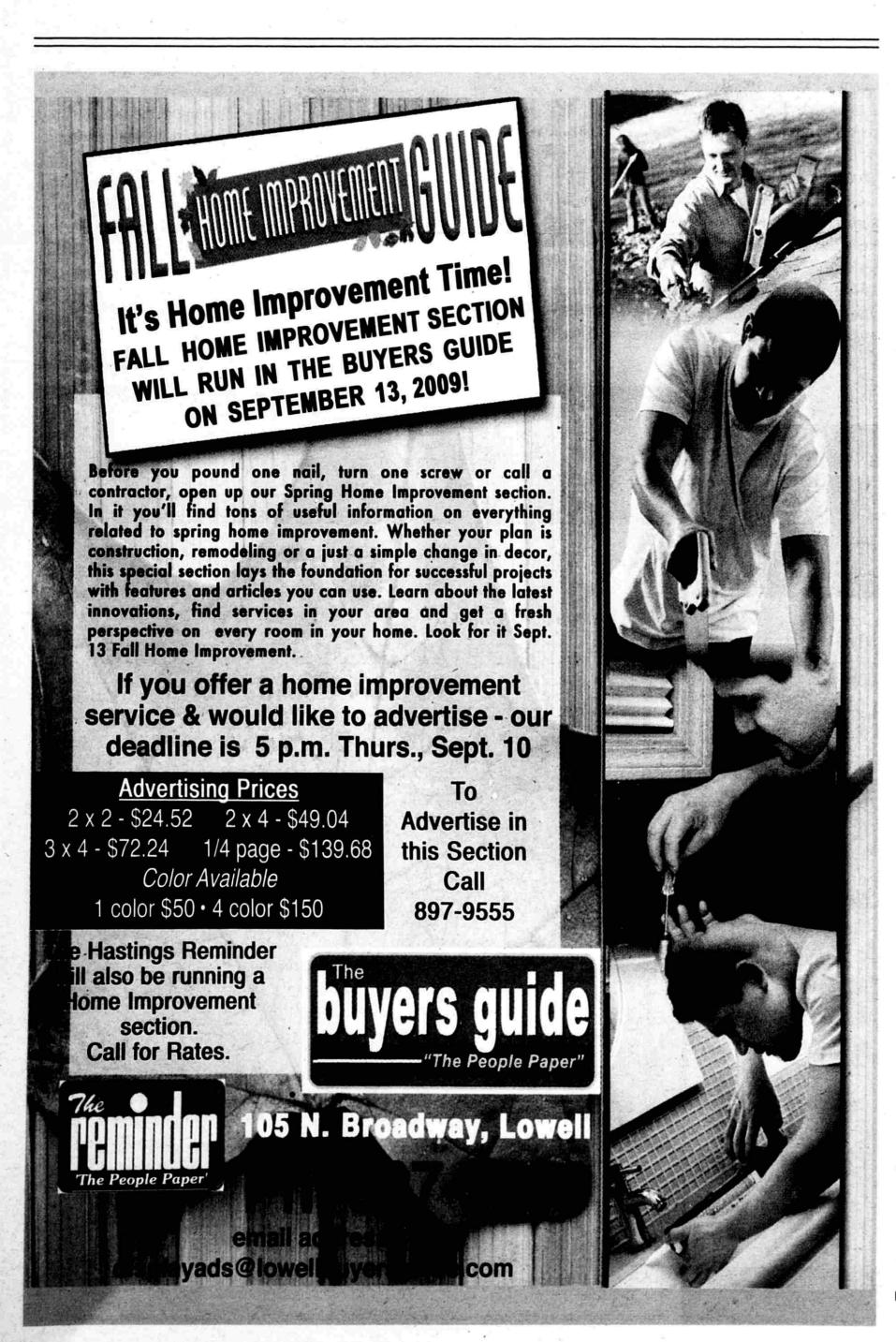
Individuals and businesses in the Lowell Community are invited to help with the renovation of **Richards Park by purchasing** a paver for a tax-deductable donation of \$100 or more. The pavers are 6" x 12" granite with up to three lines of inscription, and Order forms

Rotarian.

months, making this area 16 characters per line of Seal (897-7300), or ask any of business and professional people. The Lowell Chapter Rotary is an international was formed in 1932, and



Theresa Mundt, above, and Dick Bryon were two of the many volunteers "digging in" at Richards Park.





- for about \$4 billion.
- League World Series crown on Sunday.
- year's federal bailouts.
- camera.
- Fedorov was entitled to the \$60 million.
- according to a 911 call.



by Emma Palova

In her newest series of paintings, inspired by a recent Ireland are now on display stay on the Dingle Peninsula and for sale at the Fire and in Ireland, Kathleen Mooney Water Art Gallery on Main experiments with a layering Street in Lowell. process.

The paintings created in

The península landscapes with steep cliffs, rocks, dark soil and beaches, provided an ideal setting for the subtle abstracts created by Mooney.

each year is an important Fields. part of my artist's life," said of the beauty in the environment and the artists festival gives me inspiration Mooney. and fire."

Mooney created 31 original on all 31. paintings and a book.





Kathleen Mooney with her book 'Ireland-Cliffs, Rocks and Fields, Paintings in Ireland 2009' and painting in Ireland.

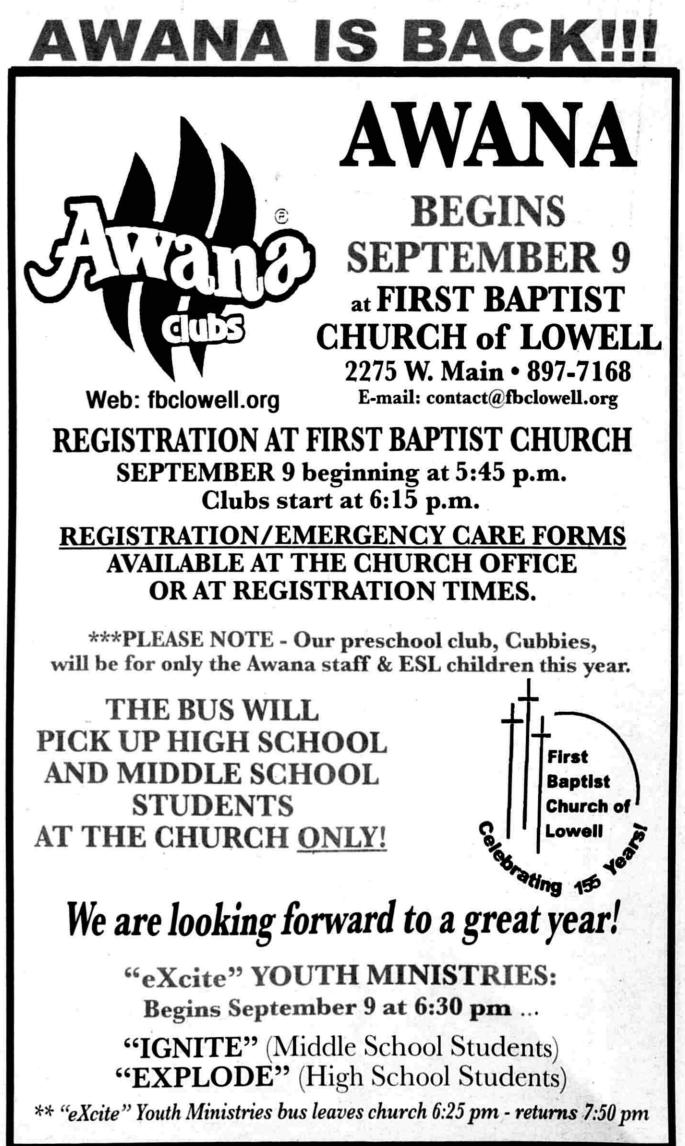
# You need '09 Cyber pink shirt for Pink Arrow free in/out game privileges

Don't wear your old Pink Arrow shirt to this year's game.

Pink Arrow officials are reminding the community to wear new 2009 cyber pink Arrow Force II t-shirts in order to get free in and out privileges.

A slate of afternoon events has been added and only wearing the hot pink t-shirt will permit anyone in and out of the area. The t-shirts are available for purchase at Pep Talk for \$15.





EVENTS FROM AUGUST 27 **SEPTEMBER 2** • 2009

Deadly California wildfire threatens 10,000 homes. The 45,000 acre fire, which is five percent contained, is being fueled by dry air.

Walt Disney Co. announced, Monday, that it has agreed to purchase comic book and action hero company, Marvel Entertainment,

Chula Vista, California came from behind to beat Taoyuan, Taiwan to claim the Little

U.S. government reportedly has hauled in about \$4 billion in profits from large banks that have repaid their obligations from last

NBC Today Show has hired Jenna Bush, daughter of former President George W. Bush. An NBC executive states that Jenna will contribute stories on issues like education.

Toyota Motor said, Monday, it was developing an anti-drunk driving ego that would lock the ignition of a vehicle if high levels of alcohol are detected. The system features a handheld breathalyser equipped with a digital

Ex-Detroit Red Wing, Sergei Fedorov, wins the lawsuit against the Grosse Pointe Shores man he entrusted to invest \$43 million for him over the past eleven years. The judge ruled

In Georgia, a frantic caller told authorities he came home to find his family members beaten to death with just one barely breathing,

**FEW NOTABLE** 

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"Traveling to Ireland 'Ireland-Cliffs, Rocks and dried, she uses tempera

Mooney. "The stimulation cliffs with beautiful vistas on the ocean.

who gather for the spring art see the earth curve," said sky by dragging it over the

When using the layering Her 2009 trip included a process, Mooney first sets to make the 31 layered climb up Mount Eagle, a visit out the watercolor papers, paintings. She always to the international artists' Then she mixes her blues assesses her composition retreat, and an invitation to and greens. She pours it on for balance of colors, and if join a troupe of traveling the first paper, picks it up there is enough richness and street theatre performers." and lets the water drip off on guiet spaces. Based on the trip, the second one and so forth,

paints and simple cards to Mooney sketched on the make lines and passages that would be too tedious to paint. She uses white gesso "You feel like you can to create a horizon and the existing paints for depth.

It took her 2.5 weeks

As an artist, she has evolved from bright het Once the papers are colors to subtle neutrals of layered abstracts.

> "Layers are my thing," she said. "I will continue to do that.'

> Mooney is a signature member of the International Society of Experimental Artists, and the owner of the Fire and Water Art Gallery. She is continuously inspired by the 25 displaying artists.

> Her book, 'Ireland-Cliffs, Rocks and Fields' is available at the gallery. She offers classes by appointment

> For more information go to www.fire-and-waterart.com or call 890-1879.



# Football opener, continued ... From Page 1

through some of that. The Red Arrows' first drive.

touchdown in '09 was deliv-

get better. He's a young ered by Graham on a three- punt, inside its own 10-yard quarter. Two plays later, kid and will need to work yard burst, capping an eight- line, gave Lowell the ball Dean rumbled in from five play, 66-yard, first-quarter back at the Mumford five- yards out. A two-point convard line with less than a version on a pass from Aus-A muffed Mumford minute to play in the first tin Tackmann to Keegan



Hanrahan gave Lowell a 15- 12 minutes. Graham pushed 0 advantage.

Mumford attempted to make a game of it with midway through the second quarter pulling to with nine at 15-6. The Mustangs' run from Caleb Pullen.

The Red Arrows got the burst. ball back with 36 seconds to play in the half. Lowell ond. Dean rumbled for 11 pass to Cornish to the Mumford 17. Dean followed with a 14-yard run to the Mumford three before throwing rahan, giving Lowell a 21-6 through the air. halftime lead.

second half came in the final

Lowell's Jake Fillingham (16) closes in on Detroit Mumford's Caleb Pullen.



line in the first minute of the fourth quarter. He followed

a 70-yard touchdown drive that up with a two-point conversion extending the lead to 29-6. Minutes later it was score came on a three-yard Graham with his final score of the night on a four-yard

one over from the one-yard

"Lowell is a lot better technically. We made a lot made the most of each sec- of mistakes against a good football team," said Mumvards and a first down. He ford coach Robert Lynch. then completed a 13-yard "We have to play good offense to play defense. Obviously, we need to correct some things."

Mumford was held to a touchdown pass to Han- 28 yards rushing and just 90

The only scores of the Holland on Friday.



Lowell, 1-0, travels to

# SPORTS **Red Arrows to build on slow start**

### by Thad Kraus

Disappointment by opportunity to build momentum with its next race.

disappointment at first with where we placed," explained Lowell girls' cross country coach Sarah Ellis. "But after Lee also competed but did some reevaluation, our times not have a full team (two were faster than last year and it creates an opportunity (a starting block) for us to build home was Taylor Marchido. momentum and confidence." The senior stopped the clock The Red Arrows finished seventh at the Pioneer overall Classic on Thursday.

East Grand Rapids won in a time of 22:44, placing fact] we ran late in the day its place was replaced the event with 31 points. 25th. The Pioneers were followed by Grand Rapids Christian, 44: Forest Hills Central, 93; "Yes, there was a little Northview, 128; Caledonia, 136; Forest Hills Northern, 138; and Lowell, 153.

Red Arrow

Wyoming Godfrey runners)

Rebekah Betts followed

overall, coming off the course in 24:03.

finished in 24:06.

Haleigh Timmers was was second, stopping the 39th with a time of 24:20. Finishing the race, but not were Red Arrows Carissa (24:51).

in 22:18 while finishing 20th but I think some of that may took fifth with a time of have had to do with [the 20:37.

Amy Bartkus was 34th

figuring in the team score, 20:23. Leading the Red Arrows Paiz (24:30) and Karis Dilly was fourth overall, coming

chewed up," Ellis said. EGR's

Emily Jelsma, 35th, with a time of 19:01.

"Our times were slow Ranger Breanna Cornell

# **Red Arrow soccer all about results**

by Thad Kraus

One step forward doesn't get you to the top of over again will.

soccer team is doing.

"It's been a good start, but we're not any better than we were yesterday," said Lowell boys' soccer coach Paul Legge. "What's important is to keep moving forward and to keep climbing campaign with a 5-0 win the hill."

The Red Arrows' most recent step forward came play as not great but the

0 win over North Pointe Christian.

the hill, but putting one step ball to the touchline and in front of another over and serving across but couldn't get someone in the box at was a good game to start." With a 3-0 start, that the other end of the service," appears to be what the Lowell Legge explained. "We just by Brent Cone (2), Matt got the ball out to Kyllonen, VanderWarf. were not able to finish.'

Lowell did finish twice. Once in the first half on a goal by Jake Karasiewicz and again in the second half on a goal by Evan Kohtz.

Lowell opened its 2009 over Wyoming Park.

shouldn't have, but overall it ball into a safe area."

Kyllonen (2), and Jake who then redirected the ball Karasiewicz (1). Lowell's

impressive win may have Ram defenders and its goalie come in game two of the season as the Red Arrows defeated Rockford 1-0.

"The boys did all the for us. Now we just have to things they need to do to keep getting better," Legge Legge described the win the game," Legge said. explained. "When there was pressure

"It was good to get we were able to get the ball the win. The boys tried to out long. We're not so much "We were getting the do some things they're not a possession team as we are able to and played balls they a team that needs to get the really good first race of the 20:36 placing him 40th.

> The game's only goal most through the middle beating for the game-winning goal.

> > a good confidence builder



Friday at home with a 2- result as good.

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and much of the course was

Lauren Grunewald took top honors

Christian's Julia Bos clock in 19:19. Teammate Kimby Penning was third at

FHC's Lauren Kerjes home in 20:36. Fellow



Need more information and talk on Lowell Red Arrow football?

Now fans will be able to get just that with the debut of the Red Arrow Football Show with coach Noel Dean Starting this week, on Wednesday (Sept. 2) at 7 p.m. and on Thursday at 3:30 p.m., fans will be able to watch and/or listen to the show on the Lowell Area Public Access channel (25) and on the WLHS internet radio station.

# **LHS Harriers sixth** at Pioneer Classic



"The Rockford win was

### by Thad Kraus

Red Arrow sophomore Ben Partridge was a ray of light in the cold damp conditions that was the 20:11 Pioneer Classic.

"I thought Ben ran a season. He looked strong out there," said Lowell boys' Goals were delivered came when the Red Arrows cross country coach Clay count in the team score.

> to Karasiewicz, who came field of seven at the Pioneer Classic on Thursday.

> > The coach added that the times were high, the course condition was beaten up and the readiness factor wasn't where it needed to be.

"We have to keep pushing forward and keep with our workouts," coach VanderWarf said.

The top Lowell runner was senior Zach Robinson. finishing 14th overall in a time of 18:17.

the clock in 19:37.

Teammate Tom Mark 17:46.

came off the course in 20:08 placing 32nd overall.

Freshman John Mark, 34th, came off the course in

Hershberger Caleb crossed the finish line in

Josh Corteville (21:15) finished the race but did not

Forest Hills Northern Lowell placed sixth in a won the event with 45 points, edging out Caledonia with 47.

They were followed by Grand Rapids Christian, 61: Forest Hills Central, 103; East Grand Rapids, 146; Lowell, 149; and Northview, 160.

The top five individual harriers were Mason Przybysz, Caledonia, 17:13; Kort Alexander, Caledonia, 17:16: Ahmed Elmi, Forest Hills Central, 17:23; Rollin Cook, Forest Hills Central, Partridge (29th) stopped 17:42; and Grant Cook, Forest Hills Northern,





# **Lowell linksters place** fifth at preconference tourney

SPORTS



Red Arrow

Thad Kraus

If there was any doubt Rapids was second, carding that 2009 was a rebuilding a 200; followed by Grand year for the Lowell girls' team, the preconference Northview, 233; Lowell, tourney probably removed 267; and Creston, 271. all doubt.

An inexperienced Red tourney up with a non-Arrow golf team struggled en route to a fifth-place foe Greenville. finish

Sarah Weaver led all bested the Red Arrows 194-Lowell linksters with a 57. 267. She was followed home by Morgan Groom, 60; Melissa Shepard, 64; and Shelby Herb, 65.

Preseason Greenville. won the tournament with a team

leading 190. East Grand Rapids Christian, 215;

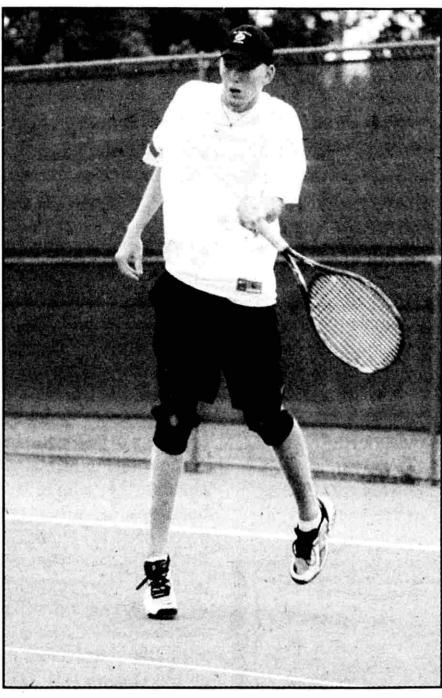
conference dual with league

The Yellow Jackets

Groom led all Red Arrows with a round of 60. Jenna Ries was second with a 73; Sophia Kohtz shot a favorite, 65; and Melissa Shepard carded a 69.

Melissa Shepard finds the green with this iron shot.

# **Lowell netters hammer Hastings**



Red Arrow number one doubles team of Evan Wilterink and Jack Weeber were also victorious against the Saxons.



v Thad Kraus

The game of tennis much easier when you're just better than the opponent Lowell boys' tennis

team experienced just that in its 8-0 win over Hastings "Sometimes when

you're playing a team with lesser talent, you slop around out there," said Lowell tennis coach Bonnie Wall. "I was glad that wasn't the case. The boys hustled and got the job done."

The Red Arrows did so with better strokes, better hits, and with better players. "In tennis either you do or you don't," Wall explained. "Today we had more reliable tennis strikes than Hastings."

Lowell found the terrain a little tougher at the Jenison Invitational

There were four teams (places two through five) within a couple of points of one another.

Standing above the field was tourney champion. Battle Creek Lakeview.

"They just dominated the tournament," Wall said. "Our kids worked hard and gave it their best shot. There were a few close matches that could have gone either

Earlier in the week Lowell had scrimmaged Grandville winning just one match. At Jenison, the Red

Arrows posted victories at third (Isaac Tawney) and singles (Conner ourth Smith), and at second doubles (Micah Babcock and Sean Briggs) Lowell finished fourth at the Wildcat Invitational

Hastings' counterpart.

LUNCH ME
ELEMENTARY
MENU
Week of
Sept. 7, 2009

MON: Labor Day

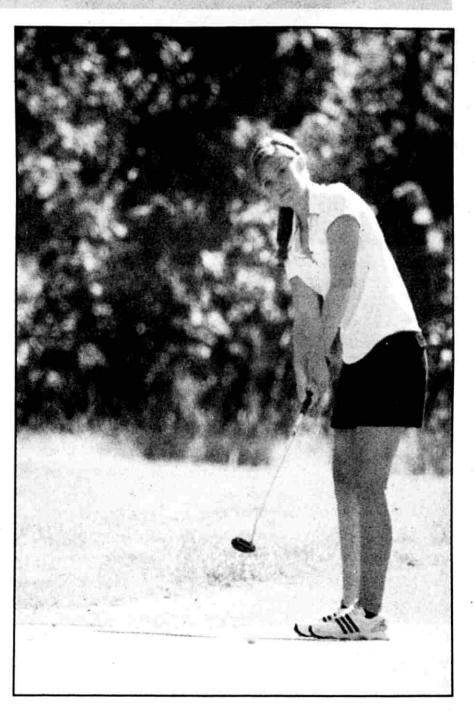
TUES: Welcome Back Hot dog on bun (3 meat sub also offered at Cherry Creek, Alto & Murray ake), fresh mini carrots, assorted fruit, milk.

WED: Pepperoni pizza burrito also offered at Alto, Cherry Creek & Murray Lake), steamed broccoli warm apple slices, milk.

HURS: Belgian waffle sticks w/syrup or cereal w/ raham crackers crambled eggs, fresh fruit/ pplesauce, milk

RI: Beef & cheese nachos (Rib BQ on bun also offered at Alto, Cherry Creek & Murray Lake tossed salad, pineapple,

Lowell followed the



Morgan Groom putts on the first hole in action against Greenville.





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# Next week is the last Garage Sale of the season

### **ONE DAY ONLY!**

Sept 5, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. 4935 Deer Haven Pk. Dr. (just off of Ware). Excercise equip., game table, computer monitor, high chair, clothes & more.

### GARAGE SALE

8 to 5 Thurs. & Fri., Sept. 3 & 4. Baby furniture & stuff, kid & adult clothing, household items, church figurines & much more 13969, 5 Mile Rd, 1 1/2 miles east of Lincoln Lake.

### SEPT. 3 & 4

9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Clothes: baby, kid & maternity; Jumperoo, walker, swing, crib comforters, VHSs. 11440 Bluewater Hwy. 2 miles E. of Shell.

### SALE

Brand new Roxy, Billabong, Volcom & more, boarding shorts, shoes, clothing, snowboard boots/bindings, misc. clothing, toys, sports & household items. Fri. & Sat., 9-4 p.m. 2650 Bewell Ave. SE.

### **BIG YARD SALE**

Headboards, clothing, toys and misc. More things added each day. Sept. 3, 4 & 5, 904 N. Monroe St. No early sales. Open 10-?

YARD SALE

Sept. 4 & 5. Between Alto & Clarksville, corner of 64th & Elmdale Road

ADA BARN SALE FUNDRAISER Aug. 28 - Sept. 27. Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays 1-4 p.m. The Averill Historical Museum. 7144 Headley St., Ada. 676-9346.

### GARAGE SALE

5771 Hotchkiss. Craft items, dishes, books, bikes & much more. Sept. 3 & 4, 9-5 p.m. & Sept. 5, 9-3 p.m.

### GARAGE SALE

265 Sagamore Trail, Fri. & Sat., Sept. 4 & 5, opens at 9 a.m. A lot of boys clothes, size 8 thru young adult, video games, very rare Pokemon Yu-Gi-Oh & Magic cards & misc.

### HUGE SALE

Sept. 3 - 5, 830 W. Main. Clothes, Tupperware, furniture, whole lot more!

### GARAGE SALE

Sept. 4, 5 & 7, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. 903 N. Monroe St.

### CLEANING OUT THE HOUSE SALE

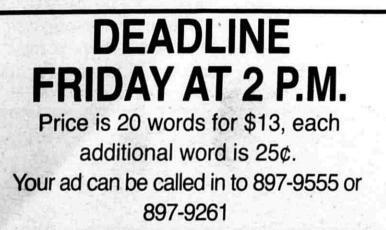
Something from every room, household items holiday decorations, furniture, clothing, toys, school supplies, books, yarn & much more. Sept. 4 & 5, 9 to 5 p.m. 188 Foley's Grade, Lowell.

### YARD SALE

Sept. 4 & 5, Fri. & Sat., 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. 3136 Segwun Ave., between 36th St. & Emery Dr. 30 inch gas range, adult clothing, seasonal decorations. Coke memorabilia, some tools, old kitchen table & chairs, fuel oil furnace, dishes & misc. golf balls & equipment, nice 7 ft. Christmas tree with containers.

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**ONLINE POLL RESULTS** Should concealed weapons (guns) be allowed on Michigan's college campuses?

- YES Kids need to protect then
- NO Arey

Standing in line with a prepaid football pass? A lot of disappointed fans standing in line waiting for a single person to mark them off, when the whole purpose of buying them ahead is to not wait in line to buy a ticket and not wait in line to have someone take it from you. If cheating with the passes is the concern, then catch those cheating and don't inconvenience

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT NOTICE TO CREDITORS **Decedent's Estate** File No. 09-187,314-DE

Estate of OSCAR GARCIA HERNANDEZ. date of birth Nov. 10, 1970.



	protect themselves
•	NO - Are you kidding?57%
•	MAYBE - For certain things 14%

everyone else! I feel sorry for the poor woman who took all the heat dealing with angry fans in the rain!

> Hats off to Patty Sellner! Congratulations on your new position - Lowell's loss and Forest Hills gain!

Thank you to the Lowell merchants for the gift certificates given to the "Genesis Code" movie extras.

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### • LEGAL NOTICE •

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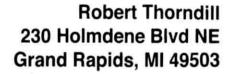
TO ALL CREDITORS:

The decedent, OSCAR GARCIA HERNANDEZ. who lived at 667 Hogan SW. Grand Rapids. Michigan died December 21, 1996.

**Creditors of the decedent** are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to ROBERT THORNDILL, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 180 Ottawa Ave. NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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SNOW UNIT ED METHODIST CHURCH - at 3189 Snow Ave. SE wil serve a family style turkey & dresing dinner on Wed., Sept. 9 starting at 5:30 p.m. Adults are \$9, Children 6-12 are \$3 8 children 5 & under are free. Take out dinners also available.

DORIC CHAPTER #75, ORDER OF EASTERN STAR - will hold its regular communication in the chapter room of the Masonic Temple, 211 E. Main St. Belding, Tues., Sept. 8, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Dinner will precede the meeting p.m. All memeber of the Order of the Eastern Star may attend.

HOOKER CHAPTER #73. **ROYAL ARCH MASONS** will hold its stated convocation, Wed., Sept. 10 in the lodge room of the Masonic Temple, 211 E. Main St. Belding, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Dinner will be served in the dining room at 6:30 p.m. All Royal Arch Masons may attend.

### **EVENTS**

MASONIC LODGE #355 - serving Belding, Ionia & Lowell areas, will hold its regular communication, 7:30 on Mon., Sept. 14 Main St., Belding. Dinner will be served in the dining room beginning at 6:30 p.m. All Master Masons may attend.

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# **Pink Append Event** September 11, 2009 • Starting at 2:30 PM Lowell High School Stadium

# SHUTTLE BUS Starting 5рм from Cherry Creek & the Middle School Return trip will start at the END OF THIRD QUARTER



### UNTIL 1/2 HR. AFTER CONCERT ENDS

- Air Bounce Activities
  - Face Painting



Photo Booth •



Sidewalk Chalk •

(To write memorials to those that we have lost or to show your support)

Fifty/Fifty Music

(Introducing new, local artists)

Tennis Carnival from 3:30 - 4:30 рм Ф

Tennis Exhibition Match 4:30 - 5:30 рм Ф

Cross Country Meet

(Ends in the stadium 4:25 рм)

# Volleyball Match - 5 рм

(If we have 5,000 in attendance - this will be a record!)

# High School Band

(The band will perform thoughout the evening)

- Pink Arrow Survivor Parade 6 рм .
  - Football Game 7 рм ч



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