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## MDOT on track for phase I completion by Riverwalk

by Emma Palova

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is on track for completion of phase I of the downtown bridge replacement project over the Flat River in Lowell.

At the regularly held meeting on Wednesday at the chamber of commerce, MDOT officials gave an update on the progress of the bridge construction.

The water in the river has been drawn back up to its regular levels.

Within the next three

weeks, the contractor Anlaan will be pouring sidewalks, back walks and deck. Decorative railings will be done toward the end of May and June.

A water line along with electrical conduits will be installed under the bridge.

"The work is on schedule," said Dave Frogner of Anlaan Corp.

The bridge replacement project started in April and is slated for completion by the Harvest Festival in October.

Once rehabilitated, the bridge will be good for another 50 years.



The MDOT crews have started the reconstruction of the downtown bridge.

## Farmers' Market to open May 13

By Emma Palova

Since its inception four years ago, the Farmers' Market located at the fairgrounds has been growing steadily. And now it is slated for opening on May 13 with extended hours from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The market master, Ron Wenger, says the market has been very successful and it is self-sufficient by now. The Downtown Development Authority has been subsidizing the market until this year.

The market will open with bedding plants, asparagus, baked goods and cheese. It costs \$150 to rent a stand for the season or \$10 per afternoon.

"The prices are reasonable," said Wenger. "You get the same spot every week. We have a lot of repeat customers every week from all over Michigan."

Going green means having all the local green stuff. "You know where it came from, who grew it," said Wenger.

And even though you can find some crafts, the market adheres to the green philosophy.

"We're trying to keep it a farmers' market," he said. "We're not a flea market. It takes care of itself."

Heidi's, with their baked goods, breads and donuts, will be available. The entire season offers free parking.

## Mainline Coffee celebrates one year anniversary

by Emma Palova

The little red trolley with colorful signs is celebrating its one year anniversary. It could actually be put on wheels and traveled in all

over the country, much like in Alaska, owner Wendy Lawrence said.

"It has a DMV license," she said. "It could be put on wheels."

The mornings here are greeted with pecan, hazelnut or cinnamon flavored coffees, quiche or parfait.

Lawrence likes to combine healthy organic foods with an occasional splurge, such as her famous retro schotcheroo. Moms in the 60s and 70s used to make these snacks with peanut butter, rice crispies, chocolate and butterscotch.

"They're very sweet and chewy," Lawrence said.

Some customers ask if there is heat in the trolley.

"Of course there is heat and air,"

Lawrence laughed. "Look at all the windows."

The trolley has plenty of windows and flowers that embellish them.

"People in Lowell are very friendly," she said. "I have wonderful regulars."

The regulars appreciate all the great moccas, lattes, chais and soon-to-be frozen treats.

The quiche is made by "Making Thyme."

Mary Greyzk, sales representative for Great Lakes Wines and Spirits, stopped with her dog Joey to get her favorite coffee.

"It think this is great," she said. "I don't stop often enough. This is a busy street."

Lawrence has her

equipment and coffee through Ferris Company.

One of the customers' favorites is the carrot cake cupcake.

"I like simple breakfast items plus indulgent stuff," she said. "I like a little bit of everything. I try to find my niche by changing items to keep it interesting."

So, the season for the cold and frozen stuff is hopefully coming. Lawrence will be serving up in her red trolley frappes, smoothies and ice chai.

She said the downtown construction has not affected her business.

"Nothing has changed," she said. "I want to grow my business to be open on weekends."



Wendy Lawrence enjoys serving coffee from her red trolley.



# Lowell Middle School Students of the Month



Pictured are the LMS March Students of the Month: Samantha Petrovich, Alex Kaminski and Max Dean.

Lowell Middle School has announced the March Students of the Month: Alex Kaminski, Max Dean and Samantha Petrovich. Kaminski is an eighth grade student who enjoys history and learning about the past. He also likes the variety of classes offered at LMS. When not in school, he is active in sports such as football and lacrosse. Dean is a seventh grade student who likes studying history, especially ancient civilizations. He also likes sports, especially wrestling, football and baseball. His favorite part of LMS is the friendly, helpful teaching staff.

Petrovich is a sixth grade student who enjoys math because it is used in everything and Mr. Acheson makes it fun. Her favorite hobby is music, particularly playing the flute and the piano.

## college news

Tyler Kent was placed on the Dean's List in recognition of academic excellence at Grand Rapids Community College for the 2009 fall semester.

He is the son of Dennis Kent and Rose Lawrence of Lowell and a 2007 Lowell High School graduate.

Hope College announced the following students who graduated with bachelor degrees at the May 9 commencement:

Shannon Alger of Lowell graduated with a degree in chemistry. She is the daughter of Dean and Susann Alger.

Alger also was honored with Senior Sigma Xi awards during the college's annual Honors Convocation. Sigma Xi is the Scientific Research Society.

Nathaniel Clements of Lowell graduated with a degree in Japanese and international studies. He is the son of David and Susan Clements.

Ryan Converse of Lowell graduated with a bachelor of science/mechanical engineering degree. He is the son of Gregg and Marsha Converse.

Andrea Converse, a Hope College sophomore from Lowell, was named a Baker Scholar at Hope's annual Honors Convocation.

The George F. Baker

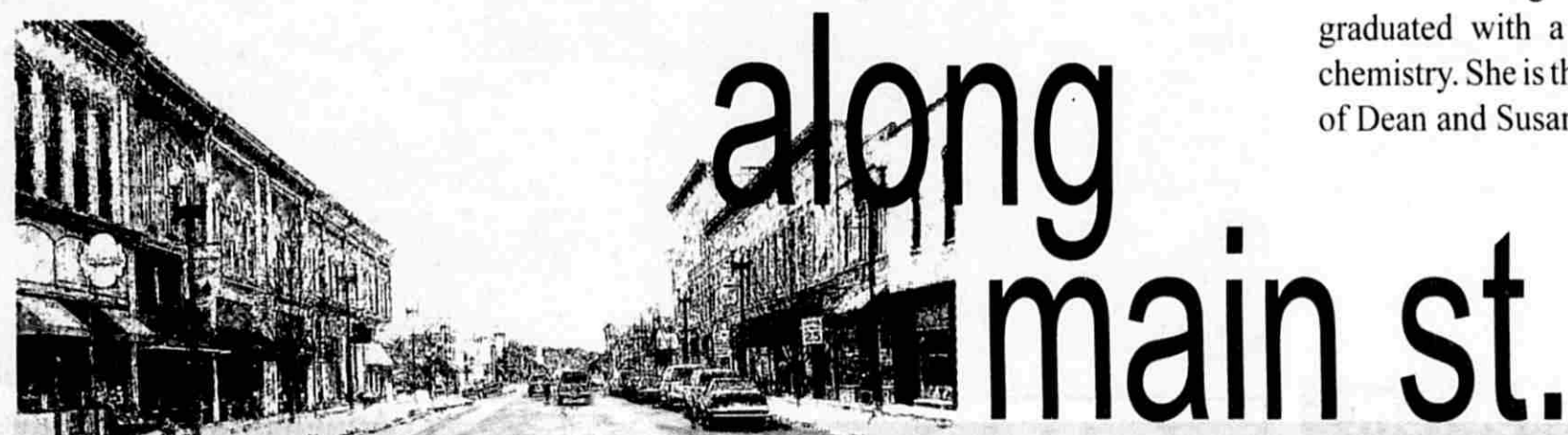
scholarship program develops the business leadership potential of a select group of liberal arts students at Hope College, emphasizing academic excellence, quality of character, responsibility and motivation.

Alma College announces that over 225 candidates participated in the college's 2010 commencement ceremony on Saturday, April 24, 2010.

Mary Sugiyama of Ada is a candidate for a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in art and design. A 2005 graduate of North Hills Classical Academy, she is the daughter of Dr. Paul and Mrs. Debra Sugiyama of Ada.

**The radical of one century is the conservative of the next. The radical invents the views. When he has worn them out the conservative adopts them.**

- Mark Twain (1835 - 1910)



### DAYLIGHT IN THE SWAMP

The Lowell Area Historical Museum presents a program that will take you back to the early days of the lumberjack, when white pines covered Michigan, by Bill Jamerson. The program will be held at the Lowell Township Hall on May 13 at 7 p.m.

### SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER

Friday, May 14, 5 to 7 p.m. at Cherry Creek Cafeteria. Dinner includes spaghetti, rolls, salad, dessert and drink. All proceeds will be used to fund 5th grade camp, fall of 2010.

### BLUEGRASS MUSIC FESTIVAL

May 14-16 at Lowell fairgrounds. Bands, camping, workshops, and barn sale.

### HIKE FOR A CURE

Sat., May 15, check-in at 8:30 a.m., hike starts at 9:30 a.m. Help raise funds for cystic fibrosis research by hiking the trails at Wittenbach/Wege Agriscience and Environmental Education Center. If you have questions, or want to get a pledge form, call Jeff at 897-7829 or Pete at 616-450-7850. Forms also available at the Center.

### NEW EXHIBIT

Franciscan Life Process Center, 11650 Downes St., will be showing "The Best of Paint-In/Out," a collection of paintings by artists from the weekly open studio sessions, May 17 to June 30. Hours: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Mon.-Fri., or weekends by appointment. For more information, call 897-7842.

### WEST MICHIGAN THERAPY DOGS

Join a group of therapy dogs for some puppy love. Learn about the West Michigan Therapy Dog program and get some hands-on time with the dogs on Tuesday, May 18, 5:30-6 p.m.

### RELAY FOR LIFE

American Cancer Society Relay for Life captains' meeting will be held May 25 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the conference room at the administration bldg., 300 High St. Relay for Life is June 11-12 from 3 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Lowell High School. For more information visit [www.relayforlife.org/lowellmi](http://www.relayforlife.org/lowellmi) or contact Carol Briggs at 897-5501 to [cbriggs@lowellschools.com](mailto:cbriggs@lowellschools.com)

### LAS STUDENT ART EXHIBITION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SHOW

May 10 - May 26 at Lowell Area Arts Council Gallery. Gallery hours: Tues. - Fri. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Sat. 1-4 p.m.

### CAR WASH FUNDRAISER

Lowell Area Schools Chess Clubs will be holding a car wash fundraiser at Tractor Supply on Sat., May 15, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

### LMS AND LHS MUSIC BOOSTERS FUNDRAISER

Perennial Plant Fundraiser will be Memorial Day weekend, starts Sat., May 29 at 8 a.m. To donate call 897-7808. All proceeds go to the LMS and LHS Music Boosters.

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### SAVE THIS DATE ...

Join the community for this FREE Seminar presented by specialists on behalf of Saint Mary's Health Care, Lowell Community Wellness and Pink Arrow Project.

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Lowell Gilda's Club/Senior Neighbors  
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THE BACK-UP PLAN (PG-13) 9:25  
DATE NIGHT (PG-13) 5:05, 7:20

# Monthly board meeting reflects the end of 2010 school year

by Shelly MacNaughton

Parker Liu, the student representative serving for the past two years, attended his final meeting. He updated the board on activities taking place at the high school. Upcoming activities include Graduation on June 6 at 3 p.m. at the high school and a couple final music performances are set to take place: Choir will perform May 20 at 7 p.m.

and the orchestra May 27 at 7 p.m. Both performances will be held in the Lowell Performing Arts Center at the high school. "I would like to thank the school board for this opportunity," said Liu.

Randy Fleenor, principal at Alto Elementary, presented a school improvement report. Fleenor outlined for the board, the methods that he and his staff use to

evaluate student data and then set improvement goals for helping students reach their full potential. "The goal tonight was to briefly introduce this data and how we are using it," said Fleenor.

"Thank you Randy, this really helps to give us a better understanding of the process," added board member Nancy Hopkins.

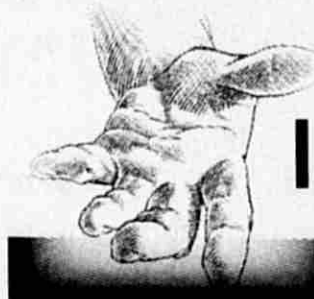
Superintendent Pratt offered up some demographics data that the district uses when planning and looking to the future. Pratt hinted that some changes may be coming to Unity but did not offer up what that may entail.

John Zielinski noted, "We will have draft budgets at the May workshop and budgets ready for approval at the June board meeting."

Roger Bearup updated the board on curriculum activities. "Our building teams are wrapping up their school improvement plans and goals," said Bearup. "Arrows on the move program - we are in the process of planning this again for this year. The program will run June through early August," said Bearup. This is a reading program that

students may participate in during the summer months.

Superintendent Pratt also presented the David D. Smith Memorial award to Lowell Area Schools by the Kent ISD for energy savings. "As Jim White has said before, every dollar that we don't spend in energy is then money we can spend on curriculum thanks to everyone involved in our energy savings," said Pratt.



## lend a hand

volunteering opportunities

The plants at the Wittenbach/Wege Center (WWC) have taken off and that includes the weeds. Fortunately, this trimester they have two students from Unity High School helping combat the weeds, but

once school ends they will depart for the summer. They could use some volunteers interested in adopting a flower bed at the WWC to help keep the weeds out throughout the summer.

They have several flower

beds available for adoption. Behind the center and next to the pond, is a flower bed planted to attract butterflies. Inside the community garden, they have three flower beds that could be adopted. Each flower bed is slightly different but all are home to a variety of flowering plants.

Volunteers are welcomed to work in their adopted flower beds anytime. Garden tools will be available during open hours. If volunteers choose to come out when the WWC is closed, they ask that the volunteers bring their own tools as needed. Some volunteers may also choose to identify the various plants in their beds.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Meggan Johnson, at 616-987-1002 or [mjohnson@lowellschools.com](mailto:mjohnson@lowellschools.com)

## School libraries receive donations

submitted by Bonnie Meiste

In a time when Lowell Area Schools is anticipating budget cuts and reductions in staff, two groups have made considerable donations to the Library Media Center department.

In honor of the teaching staff, the LEA (Lowell Education Association) gave a check for \$500 to purchase books. This amount was to be divided among Lowell's six Library Media Centers.

In addition to this, a second donation was given in honor of the support staff. LESPA (Lowell Education Support Personnel Association) gave another \$500 to purchase books.

Books have already been purchased, placed in the libraries, and are being used by children all over the district. Bookplates stating who was being honored were placed inside each book cover.

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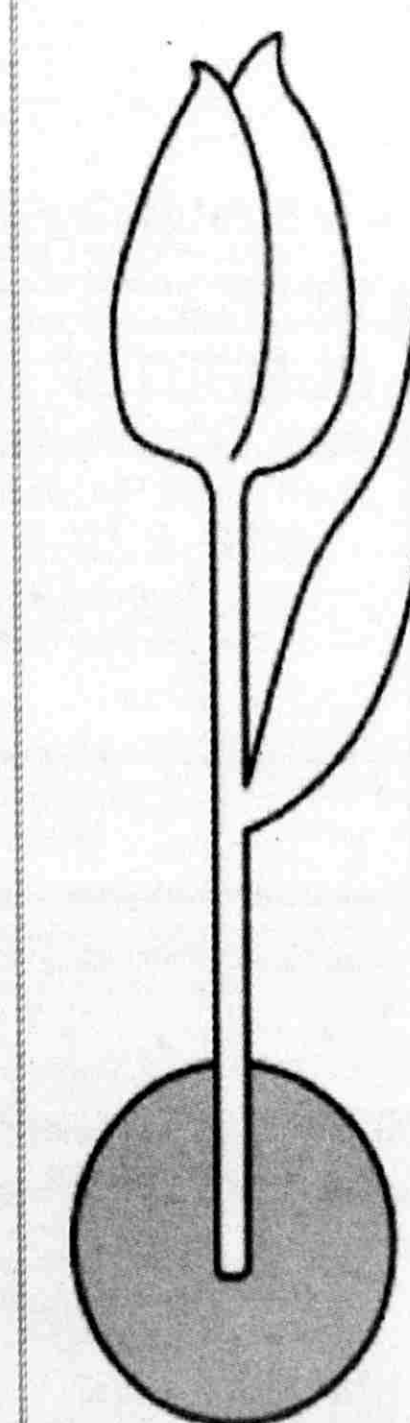
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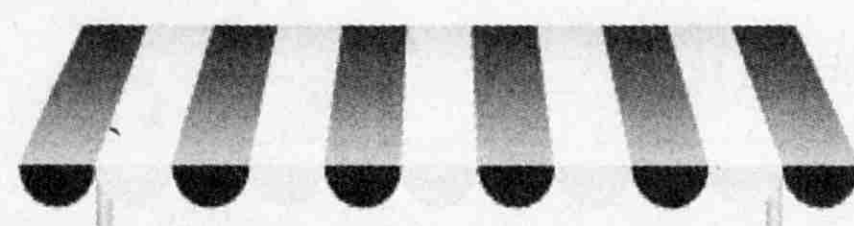
# The Tale of the Troll, Part V

By Amy Hayes.  
So, do you remember that Grampa Boyle was pacing in the parking lot of Keiser's Kitchen last week? Remember he was muttering and quite honestly, cursing about someone under his breath? Well, it is all true and it happened. But why? And to whom?  
Grampa Boyle was angry with the owners of Keiser's, Blair and Trudy Cahoon,

because they had to return three dishes of food that Gramps Boyle made. You see, he really needs glasses and is too proud to admit his eyesight is going. He accidentally put black olives in the blueberry pancakes. Kind of an honest mistake, he thought. After all, black olives tasted good too, so what was the big deal? Blair, Trudy and the customers thought differently.

While Gramps was cooling off, Lola, his beloved grandchild, ran inside to fetch Faith Fitness. Faith had a calming effect on Old Man Boyle ever since she married his "favorite" son, Moolah, years ago. Faith excused herself from Cookie and their deep conversation on how to snag Walt. She hurried to the rescue with Grampa Boyle.  
Faith took one look at Grampa and immediately hugged the big bear and sat him down for one of her "gentle" lectures.  
First of all, she told Boyle that she hadn't seen him working out at the YMCA for weeks, perhaps months and she urged him to get back in there. She reminded him that everything at the YMCA was designed to help him be calmer, lower his blood pressure and add to his enjoyment of life. Faith explained that she had new workout routines that he would love. Faith had been employed by the YMCA for years and she was constantly learning about new ways to help people get in shape.  
Then Faith asked him when was the last time he

had his eyes checked.  
Of course, Boyle sheepishly admitted that it had been years - like 10 probably. Faith's little brother, Optic, joined the group down at Advanced Eyecare Professionals and he was just the person Boyle needed to see. Without even listening to Boyle protest, Faith grabbed him by the arm and dragged him to her car. She whisked Gramps off to see her brother Optic. She knew he would take care of her beloved father-in-law.  
Optic was the friendliest of trolls and he welcomed Grampa Boyle. He immediately put him at ease. It was quickly decided that Boyle was as blind as a bat. Many of the trolls were having problems adjusting to the bright sunlight after having lived under the bridge for so many years. Optic told Boyle all about the new custom lenses available like computer-wear, drive-wear or high definition to name a few. As you would guess, Grampa Boyle opted for a basic pair of glasses with ordinary frames. That process alone took several excruciating hours and of course, Optic smiled the whole time. The service at Advanced Eyecare was second to none.  
The final stop to cure Grampa Boyle's foul mood was a visit to his favorite son, Moolah, Faith's husband. Moolah was the favorite of many because he had moved into Edward Jones Investments. Moolah had a way of turning everything he touched into gold. Of course, Grampa Boyle had entrusted all of his financials to Moolah years ago and now he was able to reap the benefits of excellent financial planning. Moolah was always a good listener and he knew what his clients hoped to accomplish in their retirement years. He had helped many a people in Lowell create wealth, accumulate wealth, and disperse wealth. Grampa Boyle was instantly relaxed and happy upon seeing his son and his portfolio.  
What a nice nest egg could do for a person's mood - leave it to the great folks at Edward Jones to remind Boyle of the great things in life, like golfing, hunting, fishing and travel. He could enjoy all of these because he had trusted them to help him plan for his retirement.  
Old man Boyle's mood was greatly improved and he was ready to face Keiser's Kitchen with new eyes. He could stick it out for a few more months. However, that got him thinking about just how long would his house be under construction anyway? The only one who would really know what was going on was that darn son-in-law of his and no one had been able to find him in nearly four weeks.  
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# viewpoint

## to the editor

Dear Editor,

I am the American flag. If you remember, I wrote to you several years ago regarding the deplorable condition that I was in flying over the Lowell baseball field. I was tattered, torn and being flown all night with no light to shine upon my stars and stripes.

Truthfully, I do not mind being flown in such a condition in places like Fort McHenry, Iwo Jima, or a battle scarred foxhole in Iraq. Matter of fact, I was very proud of that condition when Captain John Paul Jones transferred me from the Bonhomme Richard to the Serapis after capturing her.

Speaking of Fort McHenry, I was really tattered, ripped and full of burn marks when Francis Scott Key saw me flying

in the first light of dawn. You can still see me in the same condition he did if you visit me in Baltimore, MD. It so inspired him that he wrote a poem that became our National Anthem. Do you remember the National Anthem? If so, you completely forgot about playing it prior to the 2009 commencement ceremony. Imagine that, no honoring either me or the country that I represent when your parents watch their children graduate.  
A couple of months ago, I was flying all over the town of Lowell when one of your own gave his life defending this country of yours and mine. Students, teachers, bus drivers and veterans were holding me aloft as he returned to Lowell. I was also inside the car he was riding in,

proudly covering his casket. I was later reverently folded and given to his family.

I would like to ask the Lowell School Board to ensure that the Lowell school district flies me in the proper manner. This is all described in a little book called Flag Etiquette. I have a very proud history and I am very proud of who and what I represent. It sorrows me greatly that a school cannot and will not display me in the manner that they know I am to be flown. They have been approached by the local veterans, citizens, and even me a few years ago, and this problem continues to exist.

As I mentioned above, I do not mind being displayed during battle conditions in a manner not fitting with proper Flag etiquette. A Marine in Afghanistan was wounded by a sniper as he was taking me down at sunset. I was glad that

he recovered and I did not need to cover his casket as he returned home. I am very bothered and disturbed though, that you cannot display me properly over the baseball field. We have had this talk before. What is so hard about either lighting me up at night or taking me down after a baseball game?

I am very proud of the United States of America, and I again ask the school board to please ensure that the school district displays me properly. - your flag  
Fred Maier U.S.N.  
(retired)

things, like think of and put up the parking signs, business-is-open signs, and the Thank You sign on the east side of town; creating activities with construction as the theme; all of the other multitude of details;

and raising the river when promised.

Lowell is continuing to get better! Lowell is the now place to be.

Diane Smith

## financial focus



Christopher C. Godbold

### When investing, learn all aspects of risk

In life, you can't avoid all risks — and you shouldn't try, because endeavors that carry risk also bring the prospect of reward. And it's certainly the same in the investment world. So instead of trying to invest risk-free, which is impossible, learn to recognize the different types of investment risk while becoming familiar with your own risk tolerance.

To start with, let's quickly look at some of the most common forms of investment risk:

**Risk of losing principal** — This is the type of risk most commonly associated with investing. You could lose some, or even all, of your principal if you sell an investment, such as a stock, whose value has dropped lower than the purchase price. You can't eliminate the risk of losing principal, but you may be able to reduce it by buying quality stocks and holding them long enough to overcome short-term market drops.

**Inflation risk** — With an investment that pays a fixed rate of return, such as a certificate of deposit (CD), you run the risk of not keeping up with inflation, which means you could lose purchasing power over time. Consequently, it's a good idea not to "overload" on these types of investments.

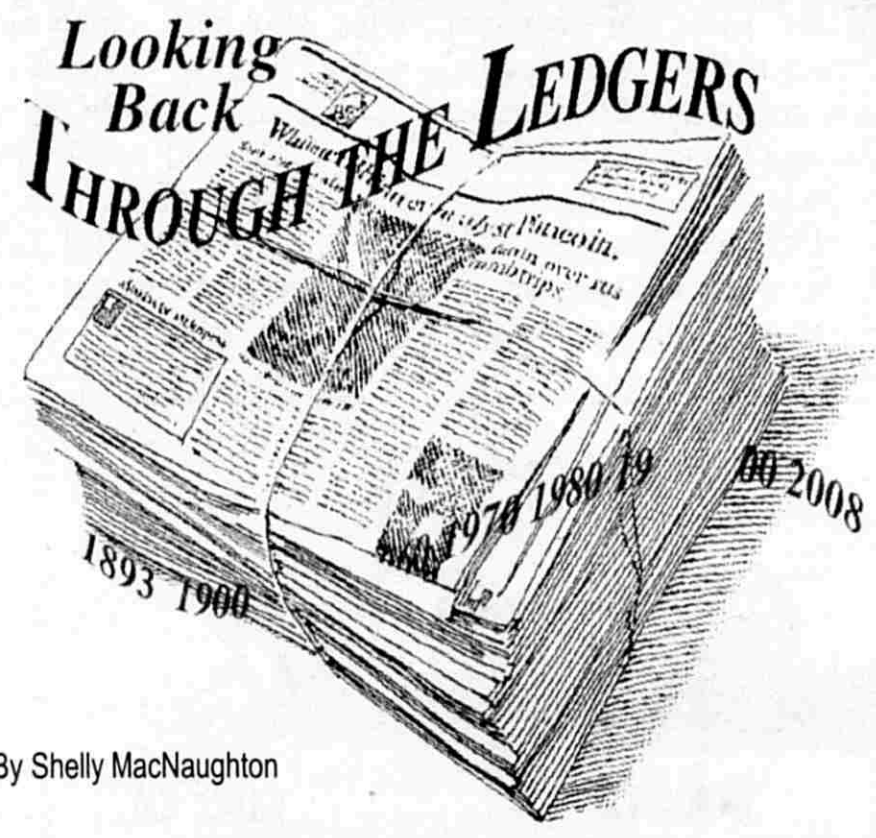
**Interest-rate risk** — When you own a bond, your investment is somewhat at the mercy of changing market interest rates. For example, if you buy a bond that pays four percent interest, and market rates rise so that newly issued bonds pay five percent, the relative value of your bond will go down; no one will pay you face value of your bond when they can get new ones that pay higher rates. Of course, if you hold your bonds until maturity, which

is often a good idea, you can avoid being victimized by interest-rate risk.

**Concentration risk** — This type of risk occurs when you have too much of your money concentrated in one area, such as in a particular stock or in one industry. If a downturn strikes that stock or industry, your portfolio could take a big hit. To combat this type of risk, you need to diversify your holdings among stocks, bonds, government securities and other investments. While diversification, by itself, cannot guarantee a profit or protect against a loss, it can help reduce the effect of volatility. In addition to understanding the above types of risk, you also need to be familiar with your own risk tolerance and how it affects your investment strategy. If you are constantly worried about "the market," you've probably got too many investments that are at risk of losing principal. At the other end of the spectrum, if you're always concerned that your portfolio won't grow enough to generate the income you'll eventually need for retirement, you may be investing too conservatively — and, as a result, you're inviting inflation risk.

Ultimately, you need to match your own risk tolerance with a strategy that allows you to achieve your goals. This will require self-awareness, patience, discipline — and, at times, a willingness to move outside your own "comfort zone." By learning to balance and manage risk, you can ultimately put yourself in a position to pursue your investment strategy.

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By Shelly MacNaughton

### 75 Years Ago The Lowell Ledger and Alto Solo May 16, 1935

The old Snell residence on south Riverside Dr., one of the town's early landmarks which is being razed to make place for a butter and egg house, yielded an old account book a few days ago, kept in 1869 and 1870 by the late U. B. Williams who conducted a general grocery and provision store here at that time. A few of the many entries found in the book are mentioned below:

On Oct. 11, 1869 we find that John Vanderlip was charged with sugar at 18 cents per pound.

On Oct. 12, 1869, Wm. E. Lane was charged with "2 hanks, 10 cents." Will some old-timer please tell us what "2 hanks" meant?

Entries made just before Christmas in 1869 indicated that preparations for the holiday season were very similar to those of today.

### 125 Years Ago The Lowell Journal May 13, 1885

There are now only six saloons in the village. At one time (under the old prohibitory law) there were eleven.

An unknown woman, said to be crazy, has been running at large in the woods in Odessa.

Mr. J. W. Rickert of Keene sold to Mr. Murphy of this village a ten months old pig that weighed 255 lbs.

### 100 Years Ago The Lowell Ledger May 12, 1910

While returning from Lowell this afternoon, Deputy Sheriff William Holmes met with a serious accident, which it was feared would result fatally. While driving along the Lowell road at a point about two miles east of here, his team became frightened at an approaching automobile, the chauffeur of which ignored his signals to stop.

His rig was overturned and demolished and Holmes was thrown out and under the feet of the horses, one of which kicked his head. He was rendered unconscious but soon revived. Dr. Freeman attended him, it being necessary to take several stitches in a cut in his face. Frank Walch caught the runaway team.

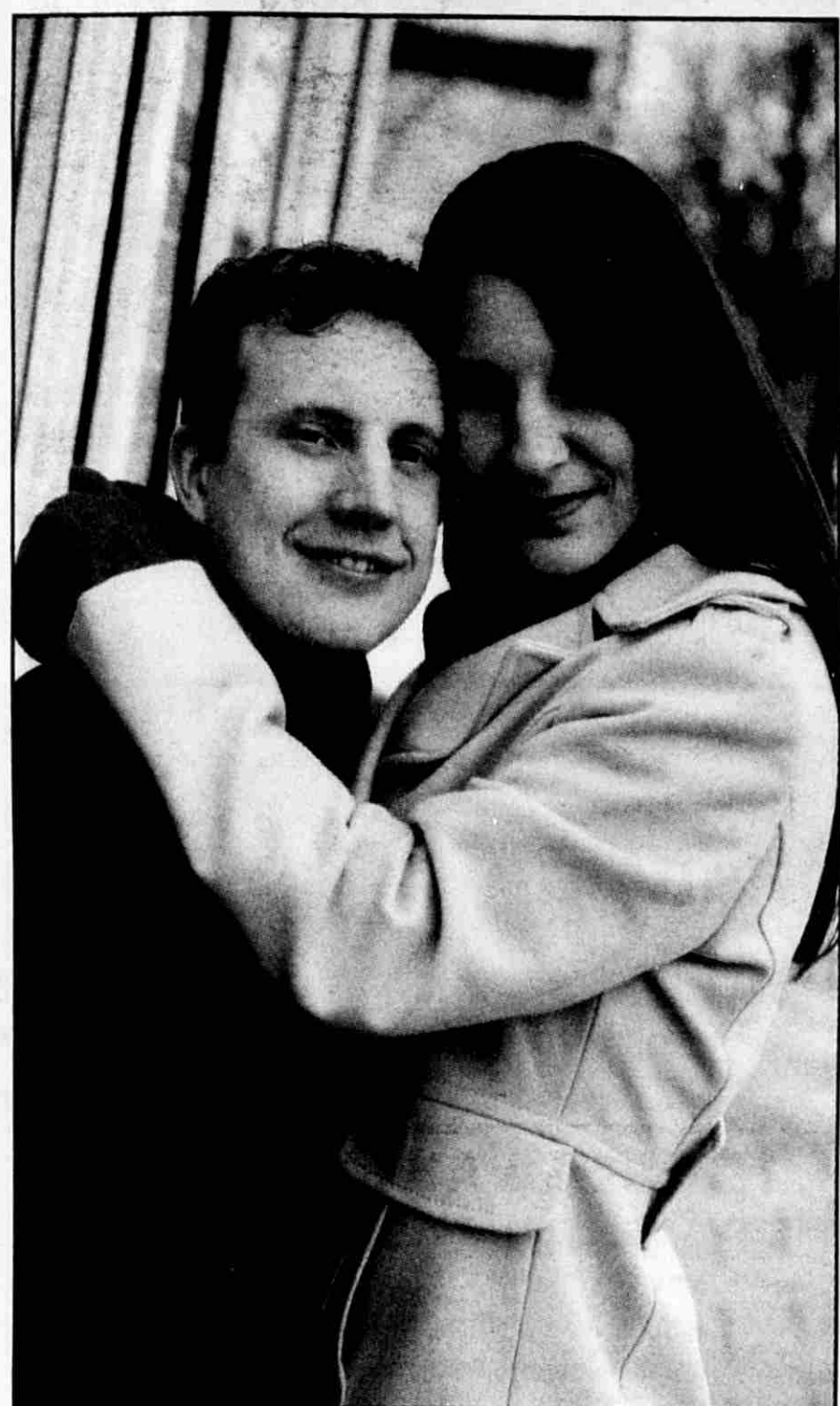
### 25 Years Ago The Grand Valley Ledger May 15, 1960

The Kent County Sheriff's Department "tactical squad" was called into action last Friday afternoon in the eastgate In the woods subdivision in Lowell Township. The tactical squad was called after the first deputies to arrive at the Kevin Donahue residence were confronted by the 29-year-old Donahue who was brandishing a knife and threatening to kill his wife Sally. The tactical squad negotiated with Donahue for about three hours before he finally surrendered.



# engagements

## Trierweiler/Bonnell



Darian Bonnell and Rebecca Trierweiler

Rebecca Trierweiler and Darian Bonnell of White Lake will marry on May 30, 2010 in Hartland, MI. Parents of the couple are Thomas and Cynthia Trierweiler of Lowell, Linda Bonnell of Port Huron, and Leonard and Barb Bonnell of Batesville, MS.

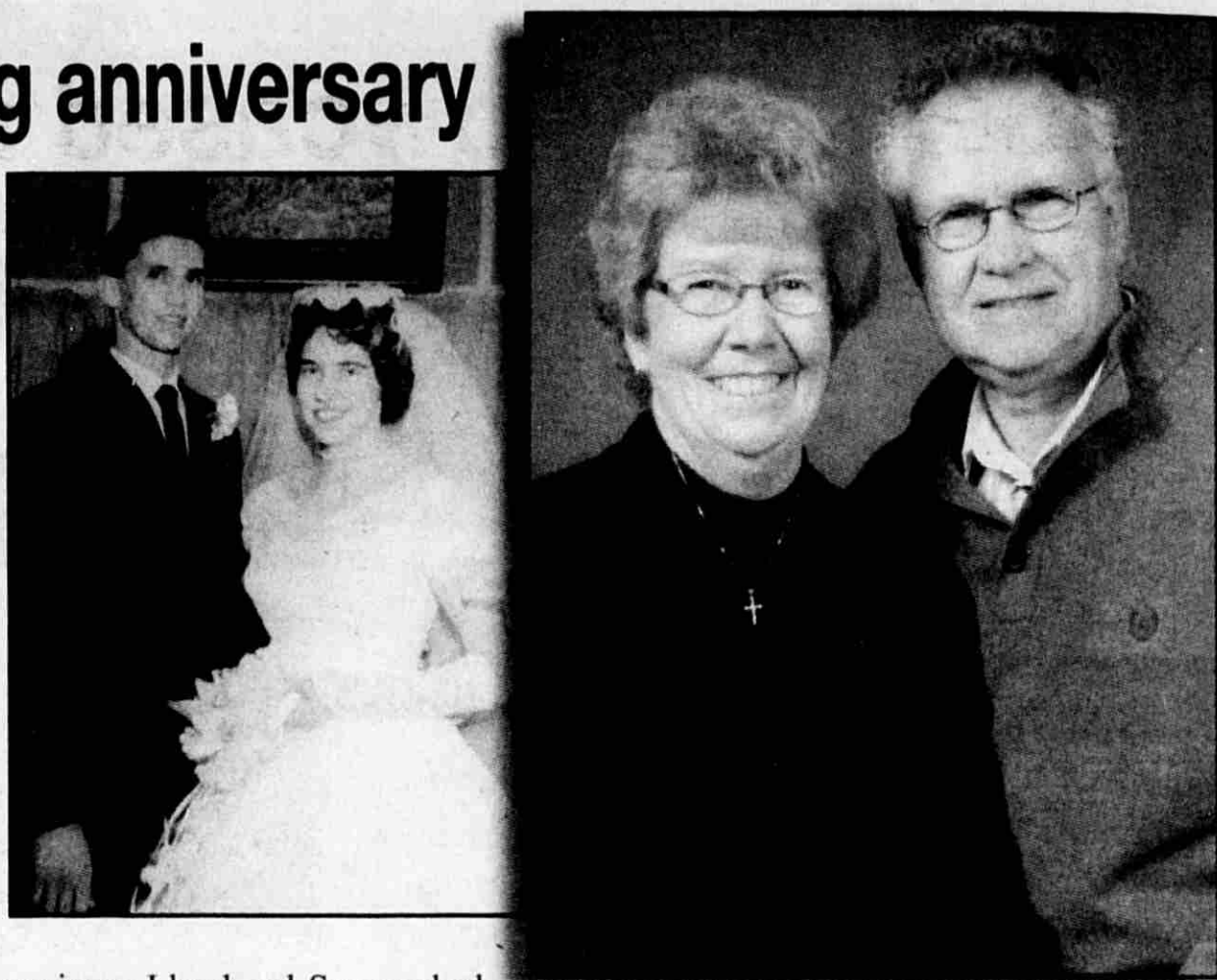
The bride-to-be is a 2001 graduate of Lowell High School and a 2005 graduate of Michigan Tech University. The future groom is a 1996 graduate of Kettering Fairmont High School, Kettering, OH and a 2000 graduate of Kettering University.

# Golden wedding anniversary

Lloyd and Suzanne (Hoffman) Miller of Alto are celebrating 50 golden years of marriage. They were married at the Alto Calvary Grace Brethren Church on May 14, 1960. They have lived in the Alto area most of their lives.

They were blessed with four children: Yolanda (Brian) Sholly of Roswell, GA; Pam (Bill) Smyth of Rockford; Dianna (Ray) Torres of South Bend, IN; and Sam (Tonya) Miller of Monterey, TN. They have 12 grandchildren and one great-grandson.

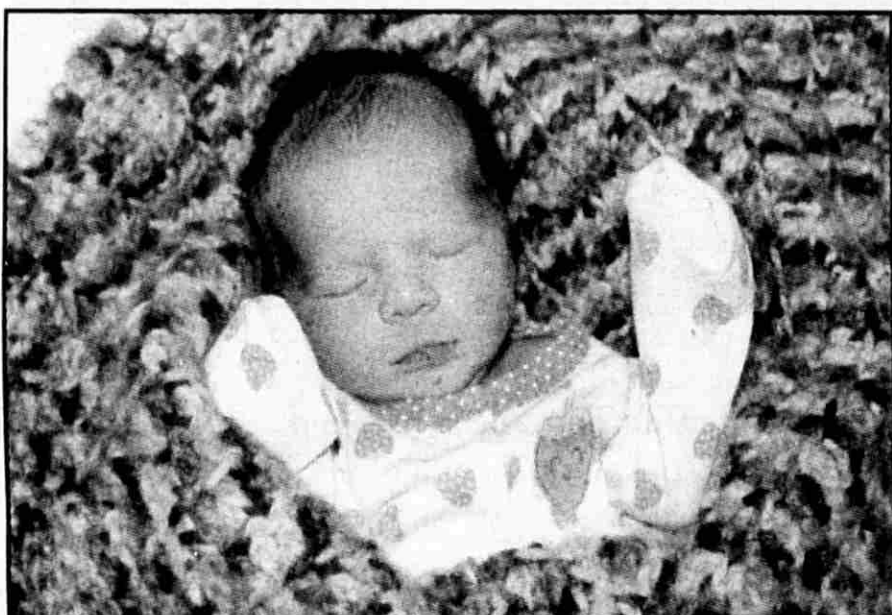
They are both alumni of Lowell High School. Lloyd also graduated from Michigan Tech University as an engineer. Lloyd and Sue worked many years at Keebler Co. and are now enjoying their retirement.



Lloyd and Suzanne Miller

# area births

## Nowak



Annabelle Rose Nowak

Matt and Molly Nowak of Lowell are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Annabelle Rose. She was born April 16, 2010. She is welcomed home by big sister Maggie,

grandparents Norm and Rosemary Byrne and Dennis and Lori Nowak, great-grandparents Dorothy and Clinton Hunt and Grace Nowak, all of Lowell.

# health

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## LASIK EYE SURGERY

Lasik is a type of surgery in which a laser is used to reshape the eye. This helps some people with vision problems see better. The surgeon will cut a thin flap from the front of the eye. Then a laser burns away tiny amounts of tissue in a special pattern. Finally, the flap is replaced.

Adults whose eyeglass prescription has not changed in the past year may be considered for lasik. People who are not good candidates for lasik include those who:

- have thin or unusually shaped corneas,
- have very dry eyes, or
- are pregnant or younger than 18 years.

Most people no longer need to use glasses or contact lenses after lasik. Sometimes a second treatment is required to get perfect vision. Some people who need very good vision, such as pilots and doctors, may still need glasses after lasik. People who use reading glasses may still need them after lasik.

Serious complications after lasik are rare, and vision loss is very rare. Some people have dry eyes after lasik, and eye drops may help with this. Overall, this is a well tolerated and very beneficial surgery for the right candidate.

# area churches

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- MAY 18**  
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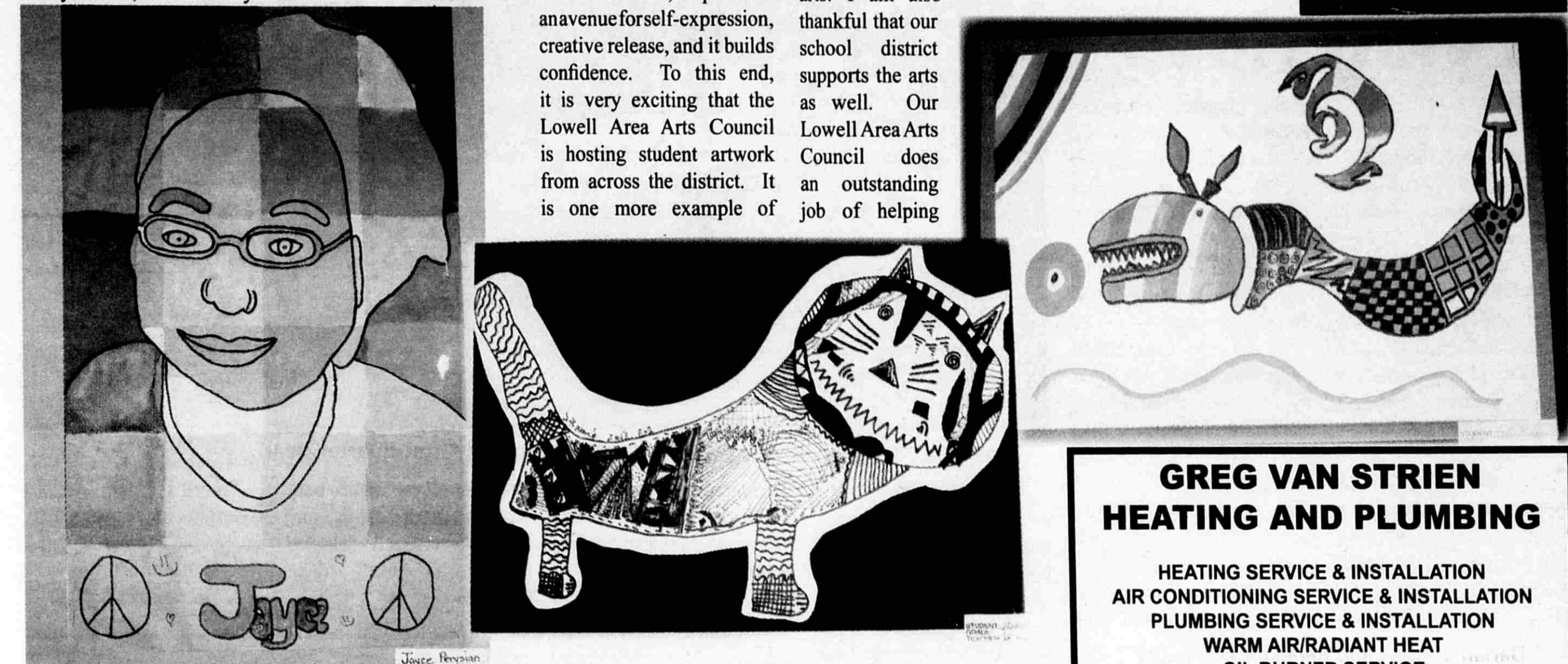
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Mom, Dad & Annabelle

# Student art showcased at Lowell Area Arts Council

Bright colors, playful designs and humorous drawings are on display through May 26 at the Lowell Area Arts Council. The showcase of Lowell Area Schools' K-5 student art consists of selections from the schools' art curriculum taught at Alto, Bushnell, Cherry Creek, and Murray

Lake Elementaries and narratives next to the art works," said Arts Council director Lorain Smaligan. "We are proud to have this exhibition here." "The art teachers work hard to provide a broad representation of the art explorations of students from all of the elementary grades, along with curriculum schools are cutting back on art courses for their students, but not in Lowell. "Art education is paramount to student success; it provides an avenue for self-expression, creative release, and it builds confidence. To this end, it is very exciting that the Lowell Area Arts Council is hosting student artwork from across the district. It is one more example of how this community works together for the success of all children," said Alto Elementary principal Randy Fleener. Murray Lake Elementary principal Brett Noskey added, "We are very lucky to live in a community that is so supportive of the arts. I am also thankful that our school district supports the arts as well. Our Lowell Area Arts Council does an outstanding job of helping

to promote art education with our youth. The art show is just one of many programs the Arts Council promotes, and I am thankful that they do." Gallery hours at the Arts Council are Tuesday - Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 1 to 4 p.m.



Student artwork pictured, from left to right by: Jayce Perysian, Alto Elementary; Kelsie Jurmo, Murray Lake Elementary and Ezra Karns, and Remi Phillips, Cherry Creek Elementary.

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# Red Arrow SPORTS

## Fast starts propel Lowell to victories

by Thad Kraus  
 A good start often times leads to a successful finish. That was the focus of the 9-2 Lowell lacrosse team in its games against Zeeland and Grand Rapids Christian. The Red Arrows slapped a 16-1 defeat on an overmatched Zeeland squad and then jumped out to a 4-1 lead en route to a 10-3 drubbing of the Eagles. "We've been struggling at the start of games so our emphasis was to come out with more intensity, play good defense and have better movement in our offense," said Lowell lacrosse coach Eric Bredin. Ball control and shot selection in the first quarter against Christian aided the Red Arrows in their quick start. Lowell continued to get

quality minutes from Tyler Bitterman. "His inside game and ball movement on offense has been really good," Bredin explained. The Red Arrow's scoring surge continued as he found the net four times. "I did not think when the season began that Tyler would be one of our leading scorers. He definitely was not on my radar," Bredin explained. Someone who was on the coach's radar was Alec Downing. The Red Arrow netted three goals in Lowell's win over Grand Rapids Christian. "I expected Alec to be one of our scorers," Bredin said. The Red Arrows' defense prevented the Eagles from clearing the ball out of their end in the second half.



Alec Downing gets Lowell on the board with an early first-quarter goal.

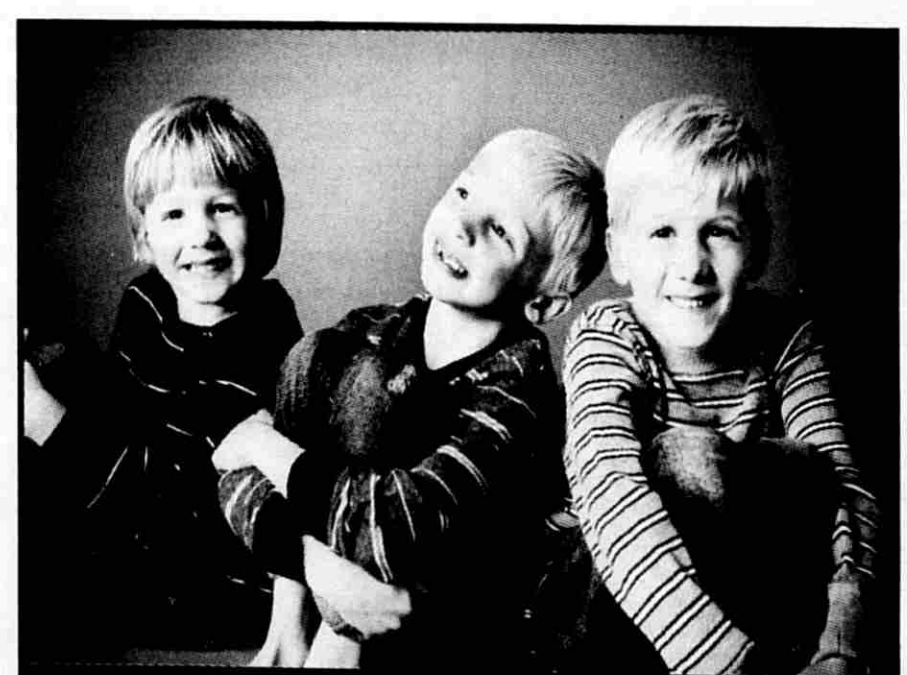
"Our defense (attack men and midfielders) were probably able to stop 10 of their clears in the second half," Bredin said. Leading Lowell in assists were Jim McCormick, Isaac Tawney and Downing. All three Lowell players each had two. In its rout of an overmatched Zeeland team,

Downing led the way with four goals and Jim Collins added a team-leading four assists. "Zeeland is just at a different level right now. I wanted to make sure we played and handled things with class," Bredin explained. Lowell's Jake Bennett tallied his first career varsity goal in the Red Arrow win. Lowell finished the week at 5-2 in conference play.

## Win against Mona Shores elevates regional seeding

by Thad Kraus  
 In a match with regional seeding implications, the Red Arrow girls' tennis team had enough to turn back Mona Shores 5-3 in a nonconference battle. "We will see Mona Shores again in the Division 2 regional. This is a very satisfying win for us. This win will help us get better early round regional seeds,"

said Lowell tennis coach Bonnie Wall. Lowell won three of the four singles matches while splitting the four doubles matches. The Red Arrows' top tennis player, Kelly Trapp, continued her winning play with a 6-0, 6-1 win against Bridgid Kiley. June Ramsay continued her successful ways at third



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# Red Arrow SPORTS

## Everitt and Arrows push past Northview

by Thad Kraus  
 When Lowell girls' track coach Robin Briggs saw the size of then freshman Nicole Everitt's hands, she knew the Red Arrow would be throwing the shot put. The coach's insight paid dividends in Lowell's 82.5-54.5 win over Northview. Everitt, now a senior, celebrated her best track day with personal bests in the shot and discus. Her efforts garnered two firsts. She also claimed a third-place finish in the 400-meter run. Everitt shattered her personal best of 30-9 with a

throw of 32-10 on Thursday. "I just felt really good and went out there and threw it," Everitt explained. "I couldn't believe how far it went." Everitt has had a good day in one event before but never in all three. "Nicole has worked hard at it and she has excelled this year. She's just blowing it out there this year," Briggs said. Everitt's throw of 84-6 1/2 took top honors in the discus. Lowell's good day didn't stop with Everitt. The Red Arrows won three of four relay events.

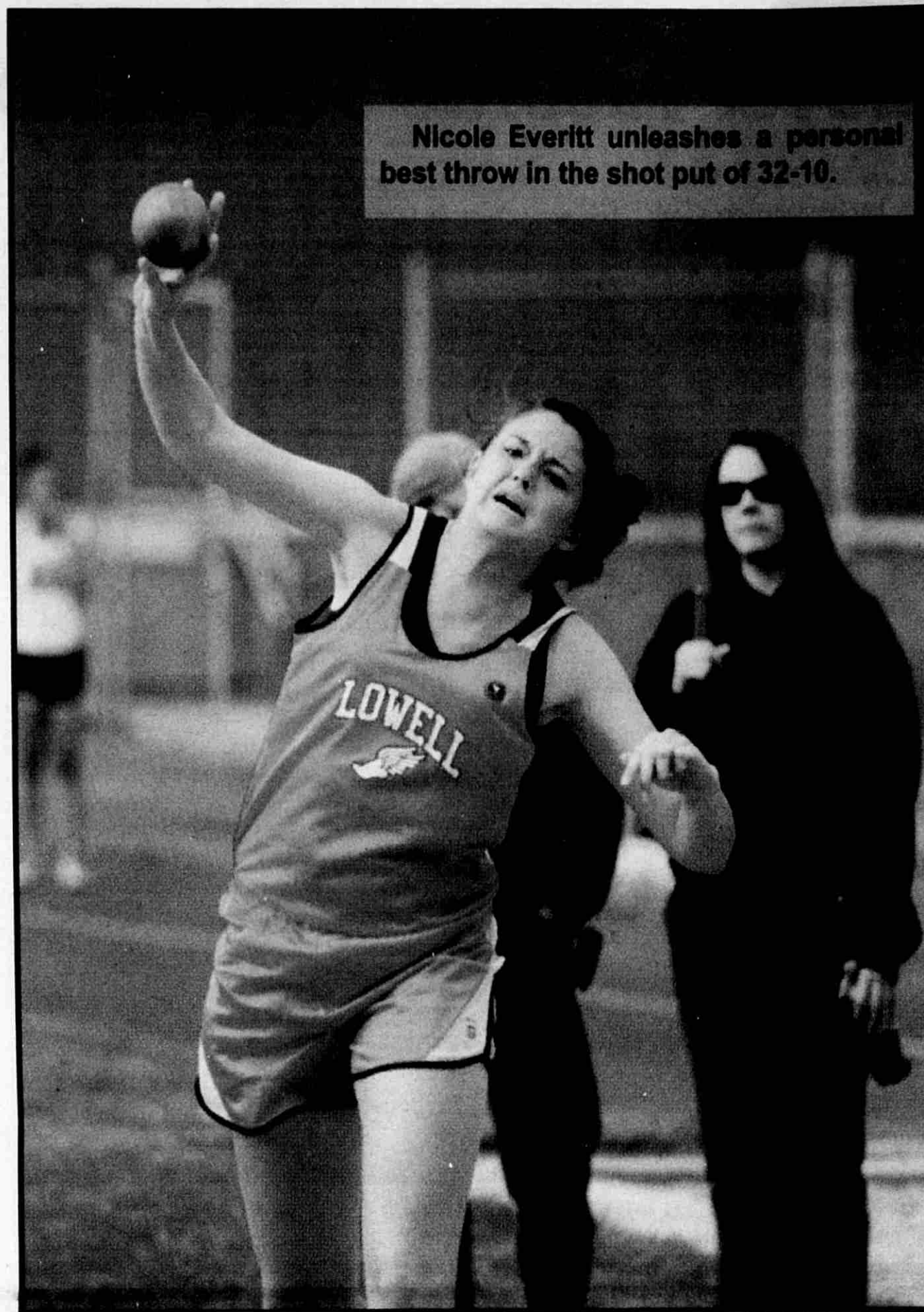


Jessica White and Kendall Hewitt make a clean exchange in the 800-meter relay.

The team of Haleigh Timmers, Kallie Holzhueter, Kendall Hewitt and Rebekah Betts came in with a winning time of 10:26.2 in the 3200-meter relay. It was Crystal Vosburg, Jessica White, Hewitt and Anna Scudder winning the 800-meter relay in a season best time of 1:57.34. The 400-meter relay saw Kelsey Teft, White, Vosburg and Mia Jackson bring home the baton in 53.5. Teft also recorded firsts in the pole vault (9-6), long jump (14-6 3/4), and the 110 hurdles (17.62). Jackson won the 100-meter dash as she raced home in 13.39 and the 200-meter dash with a time of 28.53. Timmers was the top runner in the 3200 run as she stopped the clock in 12:58.42.

**Lowell - Northview 2nd Place Results:**  
 Shot Put: Mattie Newman, 30-11 1/2.  
 Long Jump: Scudder, 13-8 3/4.  
 100 Dash: White, 14.01.  
 1600 Run: Timmers, 5:54.68.  
 400 Dash: Hewitt, 1:05.06.  
 800 Run: Holzhueter, 2:34.14.  
 3200 Run: Betts, 13:20.13.

**3rd Place Results:**  
 Pole Vault: Abby Ellis, 7-6.  
 High Jump: Vosburg, 4-2.  
 1600 Run: Betts, 5:59.  
 300 Hurdles: Kim Noall, 57.22.  
 800 Run: Lauren Traskey, 2:46.93.  
 200 Dash: White, 30.



Nicole Everitt unleashes a personal best throw in the shot put of 32-10.

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# Red Arrow SPORTS

## Meyer records season best jump in Lowell defeat

by Thad Kraus  
He has been the surprise of the Lowell boys' track team's 2010 season.  
Yet, Jacob Meyer's track record might indicate no surprise at all.

Meyer blossomed into a key component in Lowell's 28-6 win over Inkster in the championship game.  
The sophomore provided important minutes at the point guard position during the 2009-10 basketball season.  
Meyer has now leaped his way into the headlines with strong efforts in the long jump.  
Meyer recorded a mark



Brent Cone cleared a winning height of 5-8 in the high jump.

of 19-1 to earn top honors in the field event against Northview.  
It was his best jump of the year.  
While Meyer and his teammates' effort against the Wildcats was encouraging, it fell short as Northview won 79-58.  
There have been other signs that would indicate there is a core for the Lowell track program to build on.  
Brent Cone won the high jump by clearing 5-8. His best height of the season is 5-10.  
"I think he's right there and ready to clear 6-0," said Lowell track coach Russ Stevens.  
Austin Tackmann continued to race for success in the sprints.  
Tackmann won the 100-yard dash in a time of 11.45. The Red Arrow got caught on the edge in the 200-and couldn't fight off the Northview challenge.  
Tackmann finished second in a time of 24.46.

Zach Robinson anchored the distance events, as he too, earned a first in the 1600 (4:55) and a second in the 3200 (10:35).  
"His times have been great. Zach also gave us a 57 second split in the mile relay," Stevens said.  
Matt grabbed a first-place finish with a win in the 400- in a time of 54.20.  
The Red Arrows grabbed relay victories in the 400- and 800-meters.  
Running the winning legs in the 800- were Tackmann, Meyer, Chris Eckman and Robert Becker.  
The 400-foursome were Tackmann, Meyer, Brandon Blough and Kyllonen.  
"We've been close on winning a number of meets. I think we're peaking and hopeful that translates into good things at the conference meet," Stevens said.

**Lowell/Northview**  
**1st Place:**  
**100-meter** - Tackmann, 11.45.

**800m Relay** - Tackmann, Meyer, Eckman & Becker - 1:38.7.  
**1600m** - Robinson, 4:55.  
**400m Relay** - Tackmann, Meyer, Blough & Kyllonen.  
**400m** - Kyllonen, 54.20.  
**Long jump** - Meyer, 19-2.  
**High jump** - Cone, 5-8.  
**2nd Place:**  
**High hurdles** - Bryce Hrusovsky, 17.51.  
**100m** - Kyllonen, 12.27.  
**300m L Hurdles** - Cone, 44.88.  
**800m** - Sean Khodl, 2:13.3.  
**200m** - Tackmann, 24.46.  
**3200m** - Robinson, 10:35.  
**3rd Place:**  
**100m** - Jake Khodl, 12.37.  
**400m** - J. Khodl, 57.27.  
**800m** - Ben Partridge, 2:15.  
**200m** - J. Khodl, 25.26.  
**3200m** - Tobias Marks, 11:47.

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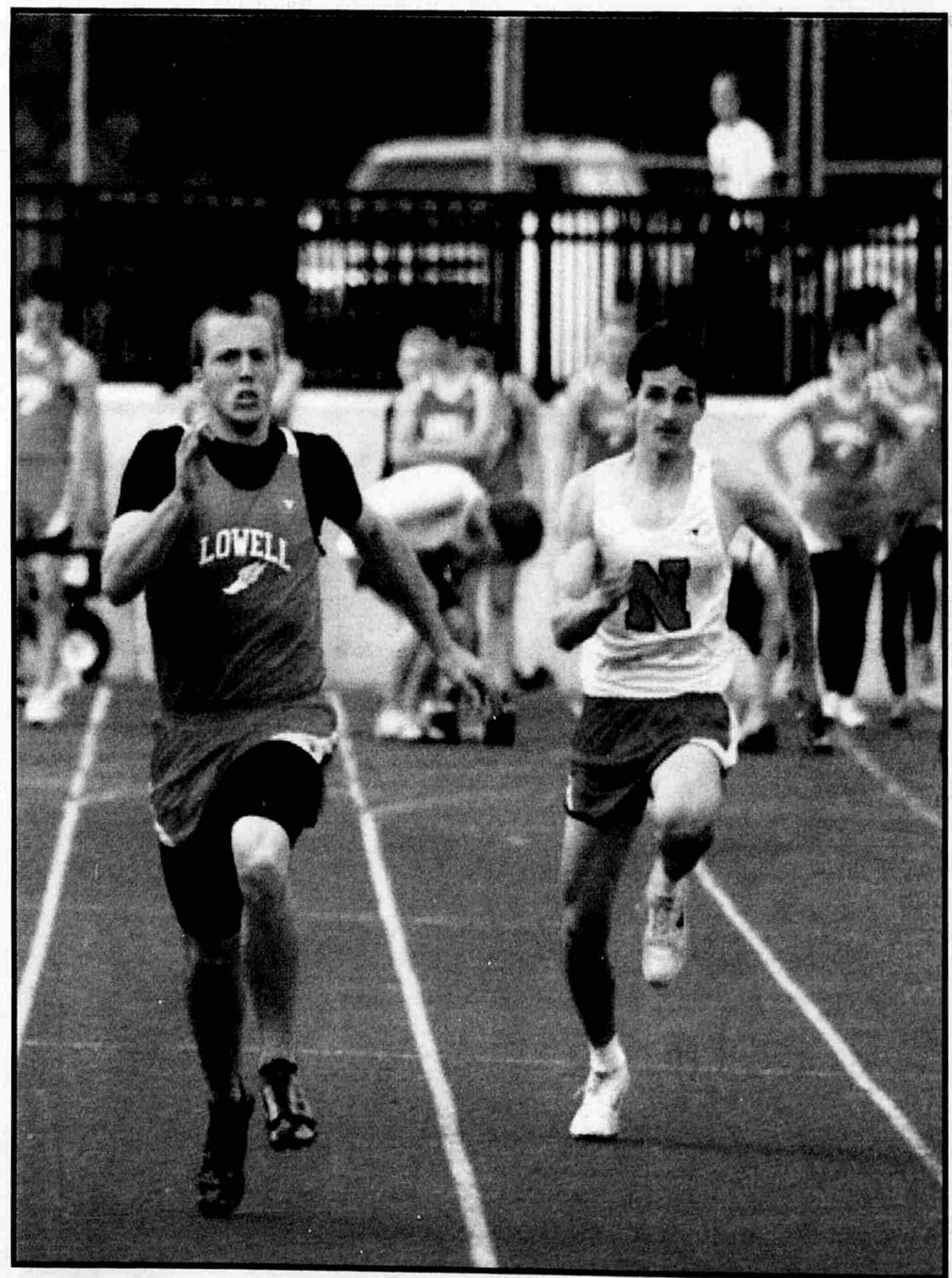
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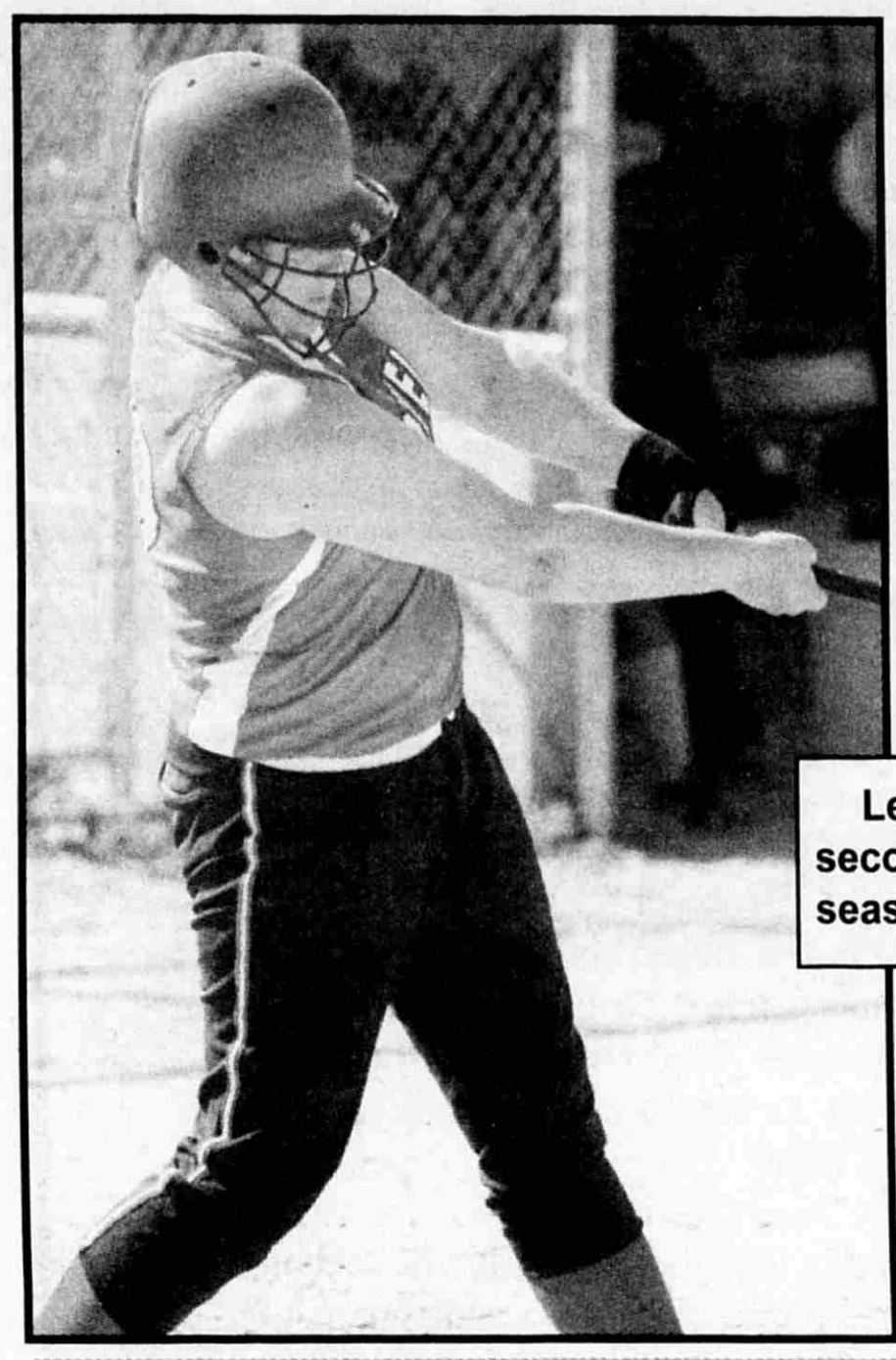
# Red Arrow SPORTS

## Frisbie blast highlights Lowell's sweep of Creston

by Thad Kraus  
The Lowell softball team (14-9) finished a stretch of six league games at 4-2.  
Good, but not great.  
However, all six of those games were on the road.  
Okay, maybe better than good.  
Both of Lowell's losses came against the league's upper echelon (Grand Rapids Christian and Northview).  
The Red Arrows can begin to redeem themselves this week in a doubleheader against the Eagles.  
Lowell was 2-1 in league play last week with a doubleheader sweep over Creston and a 5-1 loss to Northview.  
Lowell made quick work of the undermanned Polar Bears with 18-1, 19-1 wins.  
The most significant statistic coming from the doubleheader sweep was Bob Rodenhouse's 500th career coaching victory.  
The watermark victory came in game one.  
Kaylie Petroelje (6-1), allowed a run on three hits while striking out nine Polar Bears.  
Lowell tallied seven runs in the first inning without collecting a hit.

Creston pitching recorded 13 walks and four hit batters in the five-inning contest.  
Game two was much like the first as Lowell scored early and often in its 19-1 win.  
The highlight hit of the game came in the second inning when Leigha Frisbie left the yard, crushing a pitch to left-center field, clearing the wall at 225-plus feet.  
Frisbie also tallied a triple and a single.  
Kelly Wyckoff was 2-for-2 at the plate with two RBI.

Jenna Smith added a third-inning triple.  
Morgan Groom earned the victory, running her record to 7-4.  
The Red Arrow pitched again against Northview on Thursday. She held the Wildcats to a single run through five innings before Northview broke through for four runs in the sixth inning.  
Petroelje relieved Groom in the sixth inning. She allowed three hits and hit a batter.  
"Northview's pitcher did a good job of hitting the corner. We just weren't able to adjust," Rodenhouse explained.  
Lowell's only run came in the seventh inning on a two-out RBI single by Smith.



Leigha Frisbie belted her second home run of the season against Creston.

## Lowell sweeps Creston

by Thad Kraus  
Lowell outscored Creston 38-2 and with it completed its first three-game conference sweep of the season.  
The Red Arrow baseball club pounded Creston 15-1, 8-1 and 15-0.  
The sweep was defined by a pitching staff which threw first ball strikes and changed speeds and an offense led by Sam Steed, Keegan Hanrahan and Pat Martin.  
The sweep sends the Red Arrows into a two-week stretch where they will play Grand Rapids Christian and East Grand Rapids.  
Lowell enters the stretch tied with the Pioneers at 5-1 in the O-K White a game ahead of the Eagles.  
Jordan Drake too, to the bump in the opener allowing one run on three hits while striking out seven and walking two.  
Leading Lowell at the plate were Steed, Hanrahan and Martin.  
Steed went 4-for-4 with two RBI and a run scored.  
Hanrahan was 2-for-4 with two RBI and two runs scored.  
Pat Martin tripled and scored three runs.  
Caleb Ort (2-0 in the conference) picked up an 8-1 win in game two despite walking seven Polar Bears.  
The Red Arrow also struck out nine hitters.  
Lowell provided Ort with early offensive support with four runs in the first. It added a single run in the second, two in the fourth and one run in the fifth inning.  
Martin had another big day at the plate, rapping out two doubles and single and scoring two runs.  
"Pat works hard every day and has just gotten better and better. Along with hitting the fastball well, he also has speed and athleticism to go with it," said Lowell baseball coach Justin Miller.  
In a single game on Thursday, Lowell tallied 15 runs in a four-inning shortened game.  
Will Plummer pitched a four-inning no hitter, facing 16 batters while walking two and striking out five.  
Hanrahan went 3-for-3 with a home run to left field. He knocked in four runs and scored two.  
Steed collected three hits, stole a base and scored two runs. The Red Arrow is hitting .500 in league play.  
Drake also slugged out three hits, knocked in four runs and scored a run.  
Lowell finished the week at 11-6.

## East blanks Lowell soccer

by Thad Kraus  
It was a battle of the unbeaten in the O-K White.  
The Lowell and East Grand Rapids girls' soccer teams both entered the contest at 3-0 in the league.  
The Pioneers used a strong second half to post a 3-0 OK White conference shut out against the Red Arrows.  
The loss dropped Lowell one game behind the Pioneers with one game remaining in the first half of the conference season.  
The Pioneers (7-1, 4-0) and Red Arrows (7-2, 3-1) played to a scoreless tie in a first half that saw EGR out shoot Lowell 10-3.  
"It's disappointing. I can take losing to a better team, but I felt like we handed the game to them. Our play was uninspired," said Lowell soccer coach Paul Legge.  
Lowell, which had only given up three goals all season going into the contest, allowed three second-half goals to East.  
The Red Arrows, who had scored an average of eight goals per game, were held scoreless for the first time this year.  
"The girls didn't seem interested in playing," Legge said. "We were all over them in the first half and should have scored but we didn't."  
The Pioneers out shot Lowell 16-4.  
Lowell and EGR will hookup again on May 24 in the next-to-last conference game of the season.  
"We were so offensive in our first eight games that maybe we took some things for granted. You can't do that against good teams. This will be a good lesson for us," Legge concluded.

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May 7, 2010

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**Michelle Boley**  
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obituaries

BAILEY

Frieda "Fritz" (Buzinski) Bailey, age 85, of Lowell, passed away Tuesday, May 4, 2010. She was preceded in death by her husband of 59 years, George E. Bailey Sr. and son, George E. Bailey Jr. She is survived by her daughters, Patsy (Jack) Lindholme, Carol (George) Gregg, Stephanie (Russell) Geldersma, Jackie Bailey, Georgy (Blair) Armstrong; 11 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren; sister, Pearl Beinick; sister-in-law, Effie (Charlie) Pung; brother-in-law, Morris Bailey; many nieces, nephews and cousins. Funeral services were held Friday, May 7 at Roth-Gerst Funeral Chapel with Rev. Eugene Okoli of St. Mary Catholic Church officiating. Interment Oakwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the VA Clinic, 3019 Coit Ave. NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49505 or American Diabetes Association, PO Box 888877, Grand Rapids, MI 49588.

BEURKENS

William A. Beurkens, age 81, of Clarksville, formerly of Lowell, died Tuesday, May 4, 2010. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mona Dean Beurkens. He is survived by his children, Cindy, Sherri, Marie (George) Kibler, Nancy (Roger) Miller, Janet (Lester) McCaul; sister, Helen Daane; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Bill served in the Army Air Corps. He was a



very accomplished artist. His favorite pastimes were spending time with family, going out to eat and going to casino's. He loved his cats. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 8 at Christian Life Center with Rev. Robert Holmes officiating. Interment Clarksville Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Mackenzie's Animal Sanctuary, 8935 Thompson Rd., Lake Odessa, MI 48849.

MUSICK

Melvin Lee Musick, went to be with his Lord on Wednesday, April 28, 2010 in Valparaiso, IN. He was 78 years of age, born June 19, 1931 in Lexington, KY to Samuel Lee and Elizabeth (Jones) Musick, who preceded him in death. He was married to Peggy Jane Musick who preceded him in death in 1990. Melvin is survived by his daughters, Elizabeth Jane (Michael) Thompson of Gowen, Patricia Lee (George) Alchin of Lowell and Frances (Frank) Musick-Bravo of Valparaiso, IN; special friend and caregiver, Ann Roark; man's best friend, Trixie; grandchildren, Elizabeth Ann Arnett, Eric Boyd Arnett, Daniel Lee (Sarah) Allchin, Bryan David Allchin, Jennifer Anne Connell and Joseph Allen Urchick; great-grandchildren, Ashley Elizabeth Burk, Breckin Boyd Arnett, Brielle Marie Arnett, Sienna Michelle Arnett and Hayli Jane Allchin. He was preceded in death by his son, Kirby Glen Musick, in 2002 and daughter Madeline Kay Musick, in 1961. Melvin was an area resident since 1973, coming from Michigan. He was a member of Eastlake Baptist Church and attended First Baptist Church of South Haven. He drove truck for Amway for several years and retired as an operating engineer for Local #150 working at the Levy Company. Melvin was a 32nd Degree Mason and Shriner. He served in the US Navy and later as a paratrooper in the US Army during the Korean conflict. Funeral services were held on Saturday, May 1, 2010 at Edmonds & Evans Funeral Home Portage Chapel with Rev. Phil Needler officiating. Burial was scheduled to follow at Calvary Cemetery, Portage, IN.

OTZMAN

Richard William Otzman, age 72, passed away peacefully on May 8, 2010 in Alto surrounded by his family. Beloved husband of Gina Marie Otzman; loving father of Hannah, Elizabeth and Abraham Canfield, Steven and Sue Otzman of Grand Haven, Denise and David Spenser of Muskegon; grandfather of Dion, Leah, Stephanie and John. Richard was a former Marine Sergeant, served aboard the U.S.S. Essex and at the U.S. Embassy duty in Nicosia, Cyprus. He was honorably discharged in 1963 and served one year in the Marine Corp Reserves. Richard was a graduate of Grand Rapids Jr. College. He also participated in and helped to organize past Senior Olympic events. A military memorial service will be held 11 a.m., May 14, 2010 at Ada Bible Church, 8899 Cascade Rd. SE, Ada.



WALFORD

Alice Walford, age 83, went home to be with our Lord Saturday, May 8, 2010 after a short battle with cancer. Alice was born in Caledonia and is survived by her husband, Spike, of 65 years; her children, Jill and Mark Dewey of Lowell, Mark and Petra Walford of Genoa City, WI; grandchildren, Noelle and Dan Rottier, Andrea Dewey, Tyler Dewey, Sean Walford, Papijn Schmidt, Emily Walford, Caleb Walford; great-grandchildren, Calli and Andilynn Rottier; and her brother, Richard Crumback of Fort Wayne, IN. Her sister, Ellen Doyle, preceded her in 2006. Throughout her life, Alice's passion was her family and many friends. There was a special place in her heart for each of her nieces and nephews. Services were held Tuesday.

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I WISH TO THANK EVERYONE who made my 80th Birthday such a memorable occasion. A very special thanks to our children, Joel & Brenda, Sam & Bonnie and all our grandchildren and great grandchildren (even the ones from California) for the wonderful Open House and to all for attending and also, Thanks to everyone for the cards, gifts, flowers and phone calls. I will cherish the memories forever. Love to all, Carmen Roudabush

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF YOU who remembered our Mother Marguerite Blough, in prayer, visit or by sending a card or flowers before her passing or in her memory after. Thanks to Faith Hospice and Roth Gerst Funeral Home for quality care and compassion and to Gary Cavanaugh for driving his horses and Brian Doyle for lending his wagon as a hearse. Thanks also for your memorial contributions to Lowell Area Historical Museum, Apostolic Christian Food Project and Gateway Woods Children's Home. The Family of Marguerite (Kropf) Blough

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GRIEF - ADULT GROUP - Each Tuesday, 2-3 p.m. & second & fourth Tuesdays 5:30 - 7 p.m. A committed group for adults who have experienced the death of a family member or friend. Gilda's Club - Lowell Clubhouse, 314 S. Hudson, Lowell.
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JAPANESE MANGA CLUB - Trade & meet w/other fans of Pokemon, Yu-Gi-Oh and Bakugan. Refreshments & door prizes. Wednesday, May 12 & 26, 6:30 p.m. For children 6 & up. Englehardt Library, 200 N. Monroe, Lowell.
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HOOKER CHAPTER #73 - of the Royal Arch Masons serving the Belding, Ionia, Lowell & Saranac areas will hold its stated convocation at 7:30 p.m. on Wed., May 12 at the Masonic Temple, 211 E. Main St., Belding. Dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. All Royal Arch Masons may attend.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS - Hooker Chapter #75, 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.; dinner at 6:30 p.m. at Masonic Temple, 211 E. Main St., Belding.

VERGENNES TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing before the Vergennes Township Planning Commission will be held on Monday, June 7 at 7:00 PM, at the Vergennes Township Hall, located at 10381 Bailey Drive, Lowell, MI to consider amendments to the Zoning Ordinance as summarized below:

Amendments are proposed in Chapter 2, Definitions Section, to add or amend definitions of agriculture, child care center, family child care home and group child care home.

In Chapter 3, the R-A District, clarifications are made to the Permitted Uses of agricultural, government owned open space and add family child care home. In the R-A District for Special Exception Uses group child care home is added, day care centers are amended and floor area requirements are added. In the R-1 District, the purpose section is clarified, Permitted Uses are amended to add uses that were described with a pointer to the R-A district, and family child care home is added. In the R-1 Special Exception Uses, group child care home is added, day care center is amended, and floor area requirements are added. In the R-2 District, clarifications are made to the Permitted Uses and adding uses described with a pointer from R-1 and adding family child care home. In R-2 Special Exception Uses group child care home is added, clarifications to other uses, adding schools, libraries, community buildings, municipal structures and uses and churches and parish houses. In R-3 District, Permitted Uses, family child care home is added and other added specific uses described as allowed listed in the R-2 District with a pointer. In R-2 Special Exception Uses, group child care home is added, other uses are clarified and adding schools, libraries, community buildings, municipal structures and uses and churches and parish houses and floor area requirements. In the R-L District, Permitted Uses, family child care home and cemeteries are added and clarifications to other uses. In R-L Special Exception Uses, group child care home and floor area requirements are added. In the Commercial District, child care center is added to Permitted Uses and floor area requirements are amended to match the other districts numbers. In the Commercial District, family and group child care homes are added to the residential uses section.

In Chapter 4, sign section, child care home sign regulations are added. In Chapter 4, parking section, clarifications are made to the driveway parking areas, parking lighting and adding a parking formula for group child care home.

The complete ordinance 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. Written and oral comments will be received from any interested party until the conclusion of the public hearing. Written comments may be addressed to the Planning Commission Chairman or the Planning Coordinator at the Township Offices. Comments may be emailed to the Planning Commission at: zoning@vergennestwp.org

Vergennes Township Planning Commission

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 10-188385-DE

Estate of GERALD VICTOR AHEARN, Date of birth: 9/13/1949

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, GERALD VICTOR AHEARN, who lived at 13403 Burroughs Street, Lowell, Michigan 49331, died 3/15/2009.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to LINDA AHEARN, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 180 Ottawa Avenue, NW, Suite 2500, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

5/10/2010

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**GARAGE SALES**  
This Week!

**RELAY FOR LIFE SPRING GARAGE SALE**  
624 Riverside Dr., Lowell. May 20-21, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Furniture, antiques, clothing, books & much more.

**FOLEY'S GRADE MULTI-FAMILY SALES**  
May 14 & 15, 9-? Ladies 10-14-XL clothes, wedding dress, kids clothes, misc. household & garage. 2 miles N. of Lowell, off Lincoln Lake - follow signs.

**BIG BARN SALE & SILENT AUCTION**  
May 14-15, 9 to 5 p.m. at Fairgrounds during Bluegrass Festival. Low prices. Free parking.

**RELAY FOR LIFE GARAGE SALE**  
May 14 & 15, 8-3 p.m. 280 Boynton. Women's & boy's clothing, football cleats, porcelain dolls & Barbies in original boxes, household items, books & entertainment center.

**COMMUNITY YARD SALE**  
May 13, 14 & 15, inside community room, 9-4 p.m. at 203 Parsonage St., Saranac, Mill Creek Meadow Apts., Saranac.

**MAY 15**  
9-4 p.m. 5261 Kyser Rd. One day neighborhood sale, many homes from Grand River to Riverside.

**DEER HAVEN PARK NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALES**  
located at Ware & Conklin Roads. May 13 & 14, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. & May 15, 9 a.m. - noon. Baby, children's & maternity clothes, toys & more!

**THIS & THAT SALE!**  
Smart shoppers shop here. Good stuff at good prices. May 13 & 14, 9 to ? 1237 Laurie Gail (off Valley Vista)

**MINI ESTATE SALE**  
with '60s and '70s antiques; 1969 Ford truck parts incl. cab, 360 engine; 1888 school desk; Lazyboy recliner (like new); '70s vintage patterns & clothing; H.S. Homeschool books; treadle sewing machines; hard and soft chairs galore; English and Western saddles; trophies; weight bench; scaffolds; air compressor; sheet music; dishes inc. 12 place set; picture frames; old movie camera and projector; TONS more. Fri. & Sat., May 14 & 15, 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. 2696 Timpson, between Grand River and 36th St. Rain or Shine.

**YARD SALE**  
May 13, 14, 15, 9 to 5, 1821 Haynor Rd., Ionia. Large amount of tools, clothing, household items, misc.

**CALEDONIA**  
Kettle Lake Elementary garage sale, Sat., May 15, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. inside gym. Rain or shine. Over 300 families donating. Whitneyville Road just south of 68th St. Last hour, fill a bag for \$2.

**4TH ANNUAL PLANT SALE**  
Sat., May 15 from 7 a.m. - 1 p.m. Pre-sale on Fri., May 14, 5 - 7 p.m. Plants from .50c to \$3. 1560 Lincoln Lake, Lowell.

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**Sound Off!**  
The Ledger's  
"Almost" anything goes column!

It is great to see the Bowes Road bear back and donning the Mother's Day fashion. Thanks for the smiles that it brings.

I think you could have bought a new cat with how many ads you're putting in the paper to find "Blackie."

Thank you Lowell Police for making our town "a safe place to be." I see no correlation between restaurant business and police enforcement except drunk drivers hoping to not get caught. Keep up the good work, you are appreciated.

Regarding the article about Lowell law enforcement -- Definitely harassment. People are getting pulled over for such minor things such as, an air freshener hanging on the mirror or a dirty license plate. Ridiculous. We and our friends avoid going into Lowell whenever possible.

Sweet Alabama - hang in there - From Lowellite



**MAY 5 - MAY 11**

The National Guard in Louisiana is using sandbags to block oil from spreading onto the beaches. Over the weekend a plan to cap the oil leak in the Gulf of Mexico failed. BP is pondering alternate solutions to stop the daily gush of 200,000 gallons of crude from the blown-out well.

President Obama picks Elena Kagan for Supreme Court. At 50 years old, Kagan will be the youngest justice on the court.

The European Union puts up a staggering \$1 trillion to contain its spreading government debt crisis and keep it from tearing the Euro currency apart.

Hugo Chavez hires 200 people to manage his Twitter account.

Lena Horne, jazz singer and actress, passes away at the age of 92.

An 800-pound alligator is snagged in Louisiana.

**Someone had to say it!**



Thad Kraus

This column has been sitting in the hopper for three weeks. I think it is still timely. You be the judge.

The details of the Ben Roethlisberger ordeal colors the Pittsburgh Steeler quarterback as a slimy character. From what I gather on-line and on radio, even people in Pittsburgh are having a difficult time supporting him.

Roethlisberger won't be mistaken as a decent human being anytime soon.

However, I do not write this to pass judgment, instead, to raise an interesting question. NFL commissioner Roger Goodell has been on a crusade in an effort to cleanse the league of thuggery, assault and any other criminal activity we've read about over the years.

I haven't read or heard of anyone who hasn't applauded his effort.

In all cases prior to Roethlisberger, the player has been charged or found guilty of a crime before Goodell has handed down the NFL's punishment.

In Roethlisberger's case, he wasn't charged or found guilty of anything. Unless of course the court of public opinion has some weight? Goodell has a problem with, and I agree, players who represent the NFL, their team and their peers in a less than honorable fashion and have violated the league's personal conduct policy.

He puts value on decency.

Here were Goodell's words as spoken on the Dan Patrick Show, "You do not have to be convicted or even charged of a crime to be able to demonstrate that you've violated a personal conduct policy and reflect poorly not only on themselves, but all of their teammates, every NFL player in the league and everyone associated with the NFL. And that is what my concern is, and I have expressed that directly to Ben, obviously, and I will be making a decision as soon as I possibly can."

His decision was a six-week suspension, four possibly with good behavior. Roethlisberger went through a similar ordeal in Nevada not that long ago, thus, providing a pattern of behavior.

However, it is believed that the woman in question had less than honorable intentions, money and a little Ben, or was it vice versa?

Right or wrong this case sets a precedence for the commissioner coming down on players for something other than a charge or a crime.

How will the players union react? Goodell does have an ace up his sleeve in that the highly respected Steeler owner is tired of Roethlisberger's act. Finally, don't be surprised if Roethlisberger is not in the Pittsburgh team picture much longer.

*A Quick Reminder:* Don't forget about the Lowell football golf and dinner social on May 21. It's not too late and promises to be a fun time.

The guest speaker at the dinner will be Michigan State's football coach Mark Dantonio.

**FROM Food Fight Boxcare**

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North	32	0	0	0	32
South	24	0	0	0	24

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What has a head like a deer but can hop like a rabbit?  
It can stand upright, swim and even box.

**Kangaroos**

Kangaroos are marsupials, which means they are mammals that have an external pouch or pocket. Marsupials are different from most mammals because they give birth to very under-developed young. **Joeys** are born hairless and tiny, about the size of a bean and must climb their way up into their mother's pouch. They remain here to feed and sleep and grow—in six months they grow to be 2,000 times the size they were at birth.

**Standards Link:** Life Science: Know that animals progress through life cycles of birth, growth, development, reproduction and death.

Draw a line from each question to the answer that makes the most sense.

How many different kinds of kangaroos are there?

Which is the smallest kangaroo?

More than 60 species.

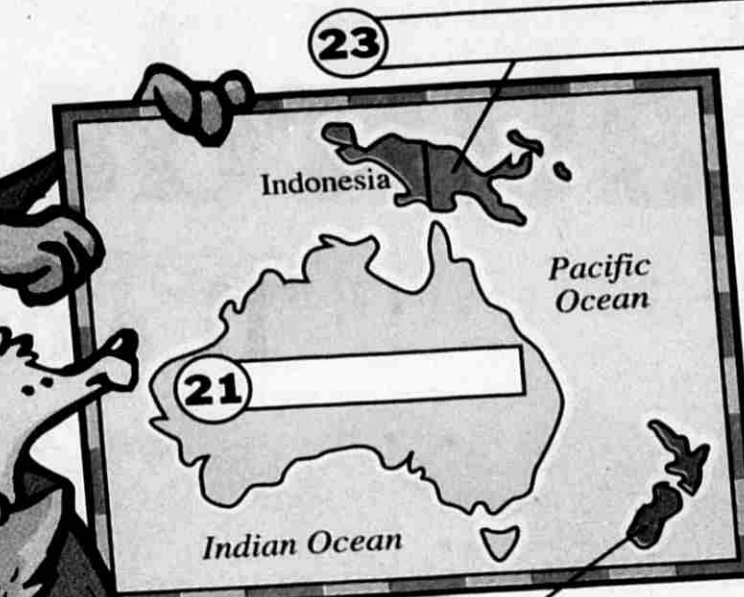
Which is the largest kangaroo?

The musky rat-kangaroo is less than a pound (.5 kg).

The red kangaroo is around 175 lbs (80kg).

Where can kangaroos be found? Solve each math problem to label the map.

32 - 11 = AUSTRALIA  
16 + 16 = NEW ZEALAND  
29 - 6 = NEW GUINEA



Use the Kangaroo Code to find these answers.

What is the name for a group of kangaroos?

What do you call a kangaroo that weighs less than 45 lbs (25kg)?

What do you call a baby kangaroo?

Replace the words that this kangaroo knocked out.

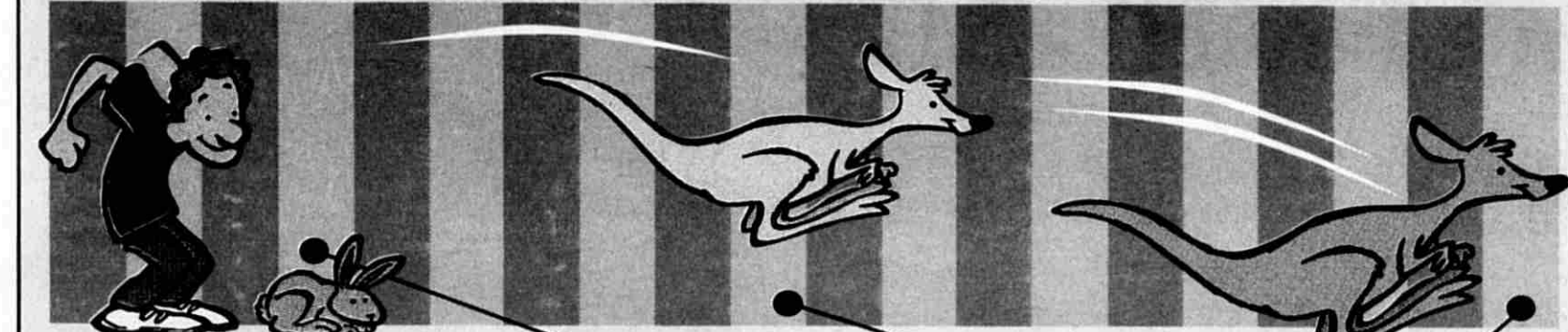


STEER SENSES HEARING

**World-famous Jumpers**

Their strong back legs launch kangaroos into the air. And their tails help them balance, as they hop great distances. When they hop, kangaroos use only their hind legs, which move together, much like those of a rabbit.

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**Hopping Contest**  
Stand in one spot with your feet together. Now make a giant hop. How far did you hop? Mark that distance on the above grid.  
Look how far a gray roo, a red roo and a rabbit can hop. How do you compare?

**Standards Link:** Measurement: Understand the basic measures of length.

**Kid Scoop Puzzler**

**Multiplication Boxes**  
In the sample below, multiplying the first two numbers in each row gives the answer in the third row. This works both horizontally and vertically.

2	2		1	2
		16	4	
8	64		8	80

2	5	10	2	6
3	3	9		
6	15	90	8	72
			10	120

Now fill in the missing numbers in each multiplication box at right.

**Standards Link:** Number Sense: Solve problems using multiplication.

**FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY**

**Observation**  
Observation is an important skill for scientists. Have your students study a photo or illustration in the newspaper and make a list of details they observe in that image. Can they come up with 10, 20 or more?

**Standards Link:** Scientific Investigation: Know that learning can come from careful investigation.

**Double Double Word Search**

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

AUSTRALIA  
EXTERNAL  
MAMMALS  
BALANCE  
HOPPING  
PROPEL  
POUCH  
JOEYS  
SHARP  
CLIMB  
TINY  
GROW  
EARS  
BEAN  
KANGAROOS

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K H O P P I N G M O  
L A B S R A E B S O  
E F N K A A A N P S  
P T G G C L H A O L  
O A I L A R T S U A  
R R I N G R O W C M  
P M C O Y O O S H M  
B E A N S Y E O J A  
L A N R E T X E S M

**Standards Link:** Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

**What do you call a lazy kangaroo?**



ANSWER: A pouch potato.

**Kid Scoop Together: Name That Idiom**

A Kangaroo Court means an unauthorized gathering of people who take the law into their own hands. The term came into being when people who called themselves "judges" would "leap" from place to place to hold court.

Kangaroo Court is an idiom—a phrase that has a different meaning than the one the words imply.

**Now Try This**  
There are lots of idioms in the English language. Can you match each of these well-known idioms with its definition?

- IDIOMS**
- in a nutshell
  - piece of cake
  - bite your tongue
  - cry wolf
  - in a pickle
  - peas in a pod

- DEFINITIONS**
- A. Stop talking!
  - B. Something that can be done easily.
  - C. To say something very briefly.
  - D. Two people that are very similar or close.
  - E. An embarrassing or difficult situation.
  - F. To raise a false alarm.

**Kid Scoop Joke**

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word JOEYS in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

J	O	E	Y	S
S	J		O	
	S	J		
		S		
O				J

**Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS**

This week's word: **PROPEL**  
The verb propel means to push or drive forward.  
Kevin was able to propel himself across the park by peddling his bike.  
Try to use the word propel in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

**Write On! My Favorite Animal**

What is your favorite animal and why? Send in three facts and three opinions about your favorite animal.



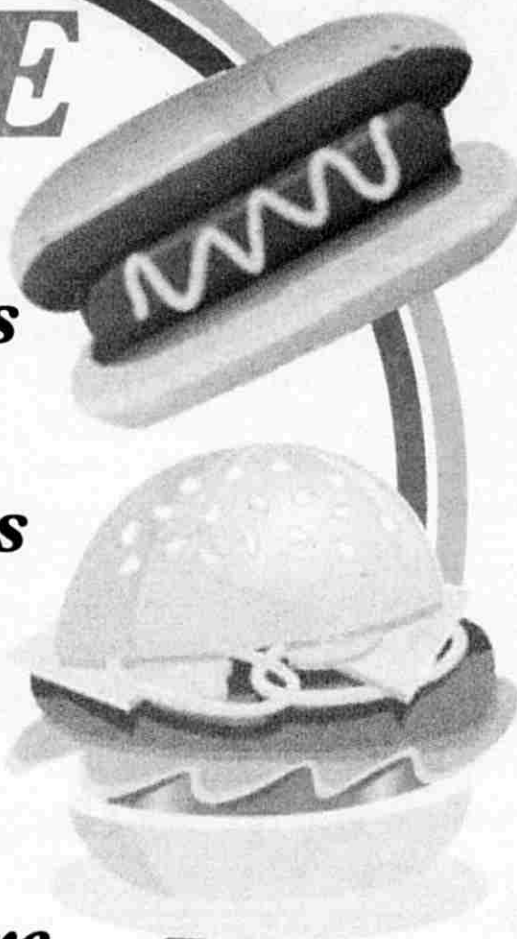
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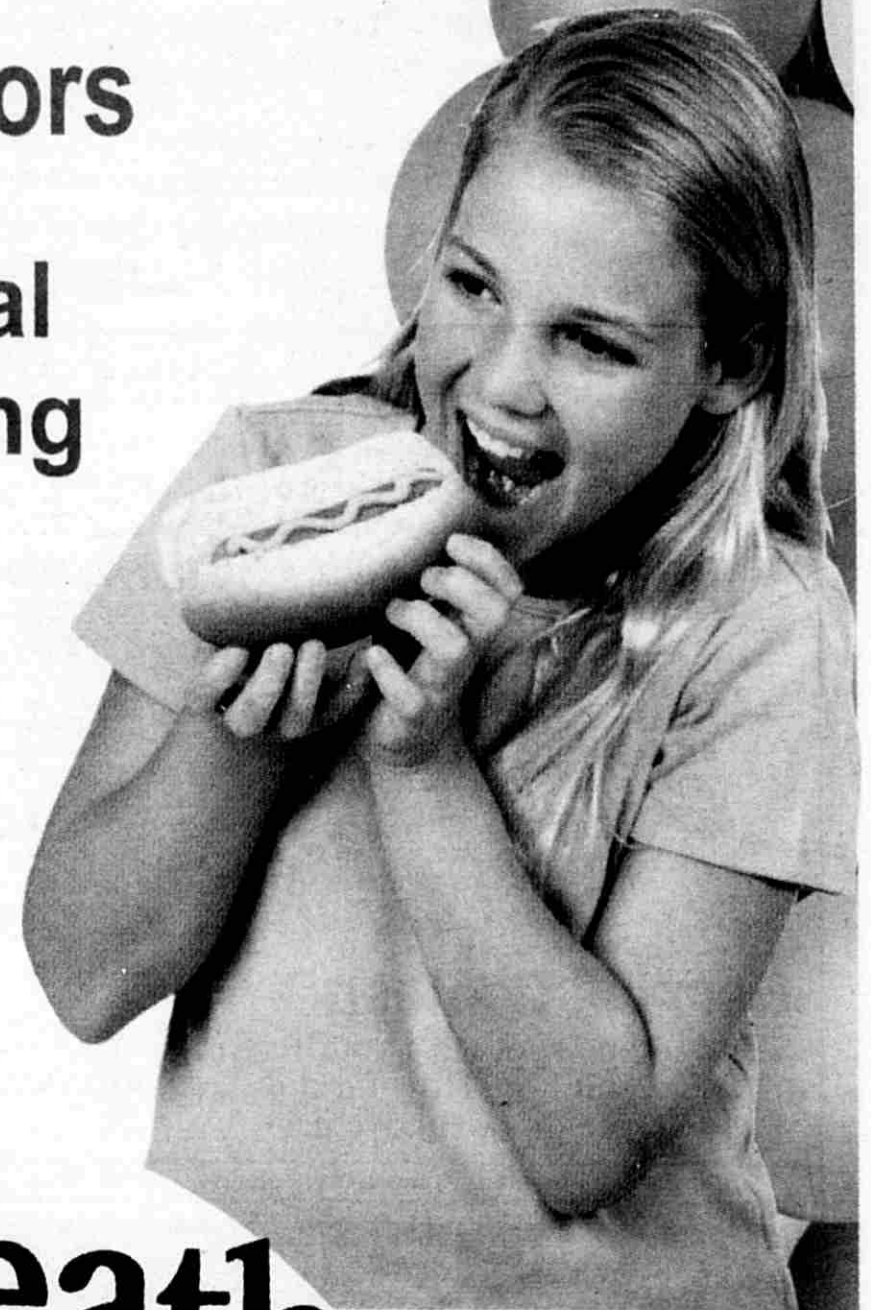
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