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Summer is here with Summer concert series Riverwalk by the Showboat. flock to the banks of the Flat

while listening to music.

Thursday night's Sizzlin season featured the Bronk Brothers Band, a Rockin' taking to the stage on the Hillbilly Extravaganza that promises to take you on a Hundreds of concert goers musical journey. The band, led by brother duo of Heath River to relax in a lawn chair and Brian Bronk uses a mixture of classic country,

and modern rock to create its own original sound. Bronk Brothers have become one of Michigan's best known and well received country acts with their wide range of musical influences. The next concert is tomorrow

Sizzlin' Summer rocks the Riverwalk

The first concert of the new country, classic rock evening at 7 p.m. Kathy Lamar and the Bob VanStee Trio will take to the stage.

> The concerts preceded, by the Farmer's Market at the fairgrounds, will run through Aug. 26. The

admission to the concerts and parking is free. The concerts are sponsored by the Lowell Area Arts Council and the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce.





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Meijer president speaks about ways to improve Michigan economy

by Emma Palova

President of Meijer, Inc., Mark Murray, shared his ideas how to improve Michigan economy with the Lowell Rotarians and their guests last week.

Murray was president of Grand Valley State University from 2001 to 2006. Prior to that Murray spent 20 years working for the state government and in education.

Murray served as state treasurer, state budget director, director of the department of management and budget, and as acting director for the Family Independence Agency. He also served as vicepresident for finance and administration at Michigan State University.

Speaking in front of the full city council chamber, Murray touched on issues of global economy and the fact that Michigan is not well prepared to compete in it.

"Michiganhasstruggled," he said. "We're all engaged in a global system."

According to statistics, Michigan is number 38 in high school scores in the

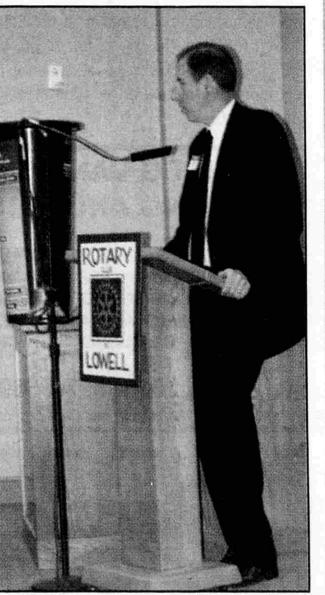
"We need to enhance skills, entrepreneur skills," he said. "There is quite urgency, an we're at a pivotal point. How do we move forward?" Murray spoke about the

concentration of skills in China and Singapore, where the majority of population degrees has in science and high-tech fields. "Wealth creation is rooted in those disciplines," he said.

Any change Murray.

during this transitional economy will come in small incremental steps and will not be revolutionary, according to Murray.

"We need to raise stems of excellence," Murray said. "There is a great history



president Mark Meijer, Inc.

> of entrepreneurship in Michigan."

A new generation of entrepreneurs that steps up will be esteemed for taking the risk in a changing market, according to Murray.

Rotary speaker,

Rails to trails group expects agreement with railroad next month

by Emma Palova

A purchase and sales agreement of the Lowell to Greenville railroad corridor with Mid Michigan Railroad may be on the horizon. The much anticipated agreement out," said Kane. "We didn't is expected in July.

A rails to trails group has been meeting over the last three years for the purpose of acquiring two railroad corridors that will be converted into trails. The corridor from Lowell to Ionia has been successfully acquired and even boasts a name, the Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Trail.

On the other hand, the group continues to struggle with the acquisition of the elusive Lowell to Greenville corridor. The acquisition has been plagued with a variety of problems ranging from naming issues, a lawsuit, and problems with the Michigan Department of Transportation grant application.

"Ithasbeendelayed,"said Carolyn Kane, chairwoman of West Michigan Trails and Greenways Coalition. "It's just not coming together. It is not clear what MDOT may accept."

such as reimbursement at fair market value and changing the wording that the corridor cannot be used for recreation.

"We have to get that address the details."

However, Kane is hoping that the current difficulties will make for a better process for the next acquisition.

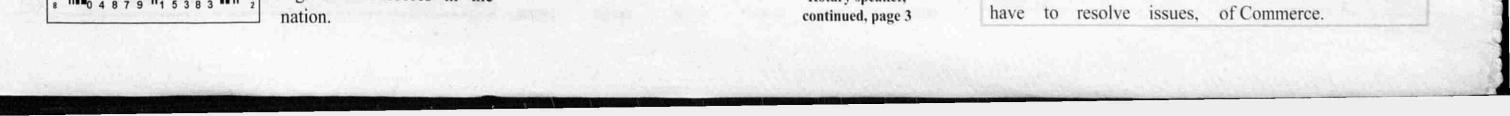
"It will make it easier for someone else," she said.

On the positive side, the formation of the inter-local governmental authority between Ionia, Shiawassee and Clinton counties is moving right along. Kane expects the authority to organize in July. The authority will serve as a fiduciary for the funds used for the maintenance of the trail.

"We're moving ahead with the authority," she said.

Kane has compiled a list of 100 trail supporters and volunteers including the Belding Area Friends group.

The next meeting will be held Sept. 9 at 1 p.m. at The involved parties the Lowell Area Chamber

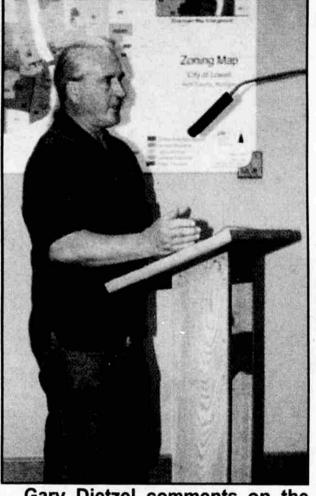


"ledger **City approves labor contract with Lowell Police Officers Association**

by Emma Palova

The city council, Monday, approved a labor agreement with the Lowell Police Officers Association. The police association is affiliated with the Michigan Fraternal Order of Police.

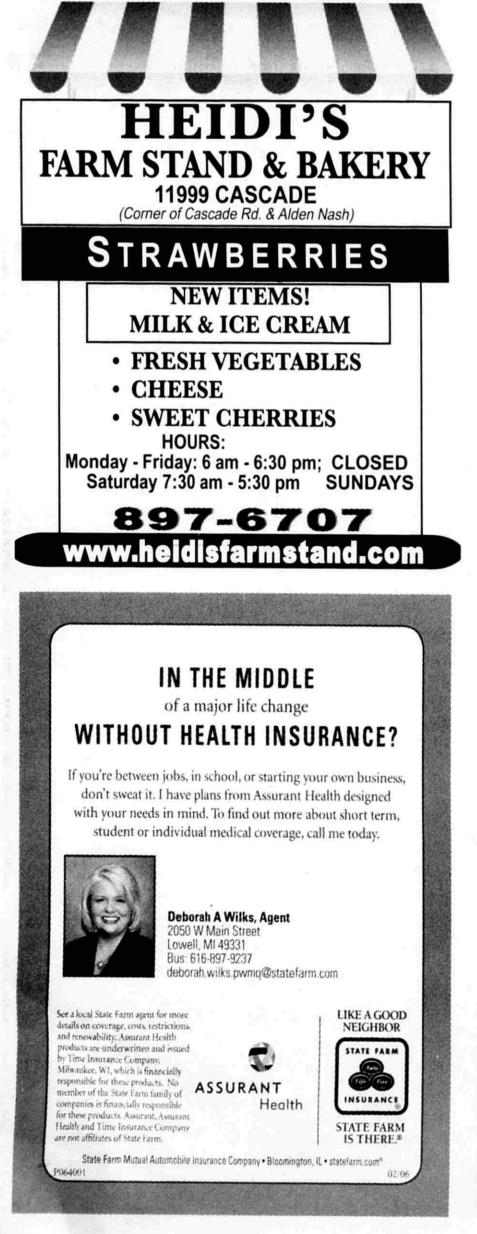
The agreement includes the hiring of a police officer more latitude to fill shifts.



Gary Dietzel comments on the effect the rent increase will have.

to fill an existing vacancy. vacancy," said city manager Ellison responded that the

excessive police enforce-"This fills an existing ment, mayor pro tem Sharon Dave Pasquale. "The police are not stopping



contract helps our efficiencies with overtime. It's a win win situation."

The contract reduces work hours for a two-week cycle from 84 down to 80. The reduction in hours gives the police chief James Hinton

Also, police rates have frozen been and aligned with the rest of the city staff.

"It's a good agreement," said Hinton "it will reduce overtime."

Mayor Jim Hodges there were concessions on both sides. The contract is extended to June 30, 2013. On issue of recent talks about

more people, so there is no harassment. "The traffic

delivered Pasquale the general budget with a fund balance of \$226,751 or 9.2 percent list. of planned expenditures.

"We need to be diligent," he said.

Among other highlights the need to examine 15 the city's waste collection system, mainly recycling. A

issue

The council approved a stops are down. We're not lease agreement with Gary stopping more people," she Dietzel and Sandra Bartlett for 990 N. Washington Street business: for the next decade. The the agreement includes a \$10 state of the city address increase per month from its current \$350. A new name cannot be added to the tenant

> "This seems agreeable," said Hodges. "We are leasing this only to the two of you." Dietzel said the increase

will be a burden on him. The council approved

long-standing contract a work session will be held on with Hope Network West Aug. 9 to gather input on the Michigan for transportation.



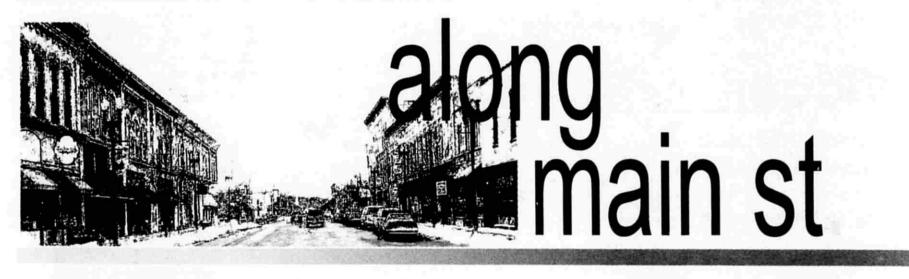
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In The Small, Small Pond

Help the book In the Small, Small Pond by Denise Fleming come to life by wiggling through a tunnel, stacking like a beaver, and much more in this interactive story adventure. As a special treat, we will be having a visit from our favorite Balloon Guy. Don't miss this one. For children ages 6 and under with a caregiver. Thursday, July 8, 10:30 a.m.

Summer Pet Show

If you think your pet is cute, talented, smart, funny or special in another way, then you need to enter it in the Kent District Library's summer Pet Show! Pick up a registration form from your local KDL library. For kids and pets of all ages. Tuesday, July 13, 4 p.m.



ALZHEIMER'S WARNING SIGNS

On Thurs., June 24 at 2 p.m. the Alzheimer's Association will host a free online webinar about the warning signs of or for more information.

GILDA'S CLUB

staff training, 314 S. Hudson St. For more information, call 897-8600.

BIKE TOUR

The Fallasburg Historical Society presents the 16th Annual Covered Bridge Bike Tour, Sunday July 11. Pedal through the beautiful countryside at your own pace. All wellmarked routes from 12 to 100 miles begin and end in the historic village of Fallasburg. Register in advance online at www.fallasburg.org or onsite at the Schoolhouse Museum from 7 to 9 a.m. the day of the event. All proceeds benefit the continued preservation of Historic Fallasburg Village. For more information or to volunteer call 616-682-0785 or email: fallasburg@yahoo.com



CALL FOR THEATRE DIRECTORS

Lowell Area Arts Council's Thebes Players is seeking directors for two productions in the 2010/11 season: Escanaba imer's. This webinar is free and those interested can In Love (dinner theatre production) Nov. 5-20, 2010 and call 248-996-1052 or log onto www.alz.org/gmc to register Beanie and The Bamboozling Adventure Machine (youth theatre production) Jan. 28 - Feb. 6, 2011 at the Lowell Performing Arts Center. Applicants must submit a resume with experience by August 1 to LAAC (Thebes Players), PO Tues., June 29, the clubhouse will be closed all day for Box 53,Lowell, MI 49331. For information call 897-8545.

SAVE THE DATES

Boccé Ball for the Arts, July 30 (July 31 if rain) at the Lowell Area Arts Council Gallery and outside lawn area. River Revelry Fundraiser, Fri., Aug. 27, outdoors on the Riverwalk Plaza and Lowell Showboat. Call 897-8545 or visit www.lowellartscouncil.org for more details.

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Rotary speaker, continued

need to find ways to open up we do things." that culture."

Other themes included the agglomeration of industry and the necessity of sharing in more autonomy and skills and expertise.

concentration of skills," he said.

will require more capacity and skills centered around intercultural economy.

Murray encourages study abroad to enhance intercultural perspective.

"Help that young person get there," he said.

Murray also touched on the role of skepticism and its potential benefits.

"We need to dig a little system.

matter

Litehouse, Inc. today

announced the acquisition

of Green Garden Foods, a

leading Seattle, Washington

based provider of dressings,

sauces, and dips to the

United States and Canadian

Service and Restaurant

Industries. With the addition

of Green Garden, Litehouse

will be able to facilitate

innovation through new

production capabilities and

Litehouse will make use of

the expanded production

Lowell, Michigan facilities.

Garden will work together

to provide quality dressings,

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"We live in a culture that deeper into skepticism," he esteems risks," he said. "We said, "and question the way

Murray talked about getting rid of lavered management which results integrity

"We need to build up productivity," he said. Also, no governmental

problems will determine "We

our future," Murray said. "There is a sense of urgency. Decisions need to be made today and this week. We've got to move faster. We are competing with Shanghai."

According to a 1983 risk report, the USA is not competitive in the educational

processes that

quality salad

package, and distribute

create.

dressings,

"How are we going to opposed to in the past, is that break through boundaries?" said Murray. "There is a greatness everywhere, we need to build it up. We need to be creators and builders.'

more difficult to create than to destroy.

to destroy relationships, but our job is to be the builders,' he said.

efficiencies in Also, various areas, such transportation, have to be realized. Some efficiencies already have been created, such as global e-mail communication, social media and the Internet.

of transition today,

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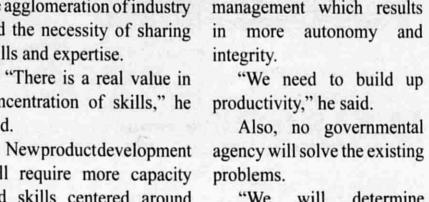
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transitions are happening

cycle time," said Murray,

"We need more design skills and design schools. It's important to gauge what's "We're moving in a faster needed in the marketplace."

And the market will enumerate high-tech skills that will eventually yield prosperity.

City clerk, Betty Morlock, gives a box of Litehouse dressing to president of Meijer,

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Lowell High School educator and student recognized

and honored at the KCEA's her pursuit of getting her annual awards banquet in May. Each year, the KCEA accepts county-wide nominations for Teacher of the Year based on exemplary practice in the classroom and beyond, and this tribute is especially impressive considering Schutte was chosen from a pool of over 7,000 educators in 20 public school districts in Kent County.

Nominated by colleagues, the sixteen-year veteran of Lowell Area Schools is known by students and staff for her positive attitude, devotion, empathy, and leadership. One nominating

what they are than by what the students and staff she they can be." Schutte credits School (LHS) senior Kristin they say. Lowell High School encounters so wholly and her success to her deep love Bouwhuis who received English teacher Kristin completely. She is unlike of the job and unwavering a KCEA scholarship. The Schutte exemplifies this anyone I know." Another support from her husband of daughter of Renay and Rich daily. Schutte was selected by wrote, "Kristin's dedication sixteen years as well as her Bouwhuis, she plans to the Kent County Education to her classes and students two children. Schutte is a pursue a career in education at Association (KCEA) as High is unsurpassed. She is calm graduate of Central Michigan Central Michigan University. School Teacher of the Year and steady, unwavering in University.

Teachers teach more by teacher wrote, "She respects students to be the best that banquet was Lowell High



Kristin Bouwhuis and Kristin Schutte

Alto Elementary teacher Also honored at the May Linda Busman presented her former second-grade student with the award.

> Bouwhuis is the first LHS student to win a KCEA scholarship in several years, however, this is the second consecutive year a member of the LHS teaching staff has won Teacher of the Year. History teacher Steve Kampfschulte won last year. Other past award-winning teachers include Lanie Rice, Carmen Reynolds, Barb Wismer, and Kim Lum. The Lowell Education Association (LEA) will recognize Schutte during the fall Homecoming parade.

health

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

vaccine illnesses in the United States. illness in infants, children, teens. and adults. It typically

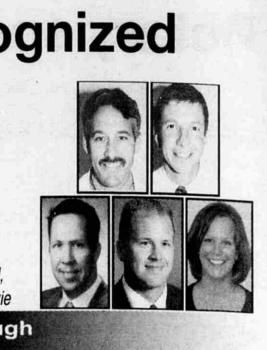
So we went to Atari and said, 'Hey, we've got this amazing thing, even built with some of your parts, and what do you think about funding us? Or we'll give it to you. We just want to do it. Pay our salary, we'll come work for you.' And they said, 'No.' So then we went to Hewlett-Packard, and they said, 'Hey, we don't need you. You haven't got through college yet.'

- Steve Jobs (1955 -)



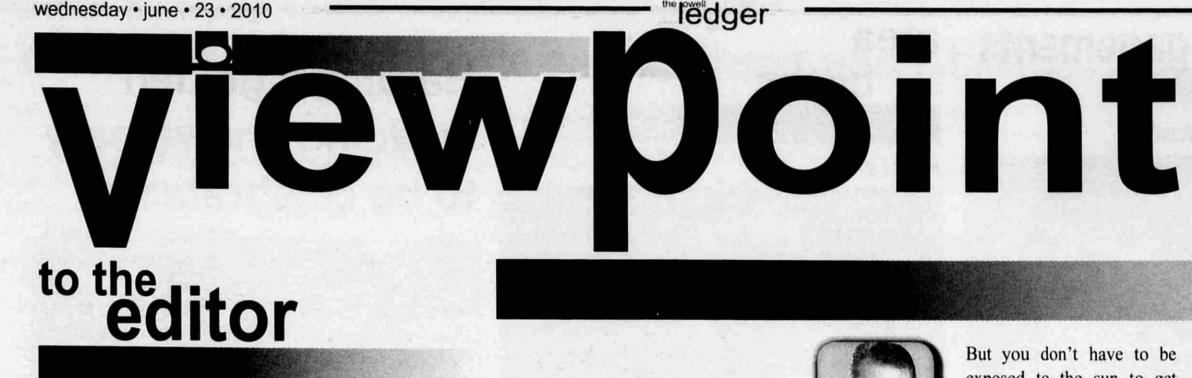
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Whooping cough is one in twenty will develop caused by the bacteria pneumonia. The disease Bordetella pertussis. This is spread by coughing or is one of the most common sneezing. Sine the 1980's preventable there has been an increase of this disease in the United Pertussis can cause serious States, especially among

The best way to prevent starts like a cold, with a whooping cough is to get runny nose, congestion, vaccinated. This is done mild cough, and maybe with a vaccine called Dtap. fever. In one to two weeks which also covers tetanus severe coughing begins. and diphtheria. It is given Infants and children cough at two, four, six and 15 to violently and rapidly, and 18 months of age. A booster make a classic "whooping" is given at age four to six. sound as they try to inhale This protection fades after air. The illness is most time, so adults who never severe in infants, where received the Dtap vaccine greater than 50 percent are recommended to get a will need to be hospitalized booster instead of the usual under the age of one. About solo tetanus booster.



Dear Editor.

weeks the citizens of Lowell have been reading the editorials regarding the June 2 Sound Off comment by an anonymous writer regarding the Scouts' participation in the Memorial Day parade and cemetery ceremony. Up until now I have remained silent to allow the chain of comments to follow the course I felt it would take.

As I had hoped would happen, the public came out Scouts and reaffirmed to all participating in the parade recent letters to the editor. and those observing the memorial was not lost. As even though this was our troop leaders and parents, we have a responsibility to Memorial Day observance. instill the importance of it will not be our last! Memorial Day to our children so that those who perished fighting for our freedoms will never be

forgotten. As we organized Over the past few our Scouts on the day of the parade, we witnessed the focus pride and respect each scout showed as they walked/ marched along Main Street or displayed the American Flag tall and proud.

I would like to offer my sincere appreciation for all the support we have received on behalf of the Scouts. Specifically, I would like to thank Commander Dave Thompson and Asst Scoutmaster Del Rockwell in strong support for the for their help as we planned and prepared for this event that the true purpose of our and the kind words in their

> You can rest assured that first time in the community

> > Respectfully, Kris Norder, Director Flat River Girl Scouts



Launch your "summertime" investment strategy

engaged in these activities. long-term financial goals. you with some valuable lessons on managing your investment strategy.

Here are a possibilities:

you're taking a long road to apply some sunscreen.

Now that summer is trip this summer, you'll need officially here, you may be to choose your vehicle, map looking forward to vacations, out your route, determine barbecues, ballgames and how far you want to go each other events of the season. day and be quite certain But even while you're of your destination. And, essentially, the same is true you can't forget about other for your investment strategy. aspects of your life - such You need to choose the as your plans to achieve your right investment vehicles, familiarize yourself with However, your summer your ultimate goals (such as a activities can actually provide comfortable retirement) and chart your progress along the

few burned. If you're going to · Plan your trip. If this summer, you may need

June 27, 1935

Looking EDGERS Back HROUGH ID By Shelly MacNaughton

125 Years Ago The Lowell Journal June 24, 1885

Mr. Lewis Bolter has sold his farm to Joseph Gilbert and will hereafter reside in this village.

Mrs. E.P. Gifford of Saranac was attacked and seriously injured by a mad cow last Wednesday. The largest and best lettuce we have seen came

from Will Booth's garden. It is the Early Durham variety

100 Years Ago The Lowell Ledger June 23, 1910

The state dailies have the following reports concerning the suicide of the son of "Rev." Jas. Provan, a former pastor of the Lowell Congregational Church.

DETROIT, Mich., June 16, Worn out by circumstances which overwhelmed him and desperate because he could not support his wife and baby, Fred J. Provin, 25, of Grand Rapids, today, shot himself to death under a tree on Belle Isle.

75 Years Ago

A mystery which has baffled Charles Kraft, sexton at Oakwood Cemetery, for the past two years has at last been solved. It seems that small flags used to decorate soliders' graves would disappear about as rapidly as they were placed. It was not felt that anyone, either boy or man, would stoop so low as to steal the flags, yet their disappearance could not be accounted for and was not explained until this week. On Tuesday Mr. Kraft called upon Wm. J. Smith, agricultural teacher at the high school, to examine what appeared to be a large "growth" in one of the evergreen trees. The "growth" was about the size of a bushel basket and as Mr. Smith began to explore its interior he was more than surprised to find inside about 50 small American flags torn into shreds. Squirrels had used them for making a nest.

50 Years Ago The Lowell Ledger June 23, 1960

The council named the streets to be blacktopped in this year's programs at their meeting on Monday night. A resurface of M-91 in the city was authorized and starts this week under state maintenance funds. Other streets will be started soon.

Letters may be submitted via email to: ledger@ A joint meeting of the Kent and Ionia County Boards lowellbuyersguide.com ("to the Editor" in subject of Education were held last Monday night before a line) or dropped off or mailed to: The Lowell Ledger, large crowd of people at the Board of Education offices 105 N. Broadway, Lowell, MI 49331. Also, our website, in Grand Rapids. The board was considering requests www.lowellbuyersguide.com has a link to submit for transfer of properties valued at \$34,050. emails on the left side of the page. By action of the board, the properties of Norton Avery and Garrett Bevier were transferred to the Lowell Area Schools over protest of residents of the Mapes School District.

25 Years Ago The Grand Valley Ledger June 26, 1985

In their continuing quest to offer after hours medical treatment to area residents, Doctors Orval McKay and Donald Gerard have entered into an agreement with Butterworth Hospital to establish a Med Center in the The Lowell Ledger and Alto Solo doctors existing offices located at 1150 N. Hudson





• Try to avoid getting spend a lot of time outdoors

But you don't have to be exposed to the sun to get "burned" — it can happen How? By building a your holdings. diversified portfolio. If most of your money is tied up in just one type of investment, and that asset class falls victim to a downturn, your hot days, you might want portfolio could take big hit. But while some investments are moving down, other may be moving up, so it makes raincoat. And as you go sense to spread your money among a range of vehicles to adjust your investment appropriate for your risk tolerance, investment goals your individual financial and time horizon. Of course, "season." For example, early diversification, by itself, in your career, you might cannot guarantee a profit or be able to afford to invest volatility on your portfolio.

 Keep vourself "hydrated." When you're you close in on retirement, can lose a lot of fluids, so take a more conservative liquids to remain hydrated. As an investor, you also need a reasonable amount of liquidity. In the severe market downturn of 2008 and early 2009. many investors found they had insufficient amounts of the to you long after summer is type of liquid investments — over. cash and cash equivalents ----

that held up better than other, more aggressive vehicles. Furthermore, if you are Financial Advisor.

relatively illiquid, you may have to dip into your longerterm investments to pay in the investment world, for short-term emergency too. However, you can help needs. Try to always keep an prevent this from happening. adequate level of liquidity in

• Dress for the season. As you go about your summer activities, you won't always wear the same clothes. On to wear shorts, but on cool, rainy days, you might need heavier items or even a through life, you may need approach depending on protect against loss, but it more aggressively, as you'll can help reduce the effects of have more opportunities to recover from the inevitable short-term downturns. As outside on hot days, you though, you may need to you need to drink plenty of approach so that you can lower your investment risk when you need to access your money.

> So there you have them some ideas for "summertime investing." Use them wisely, and they may be of value

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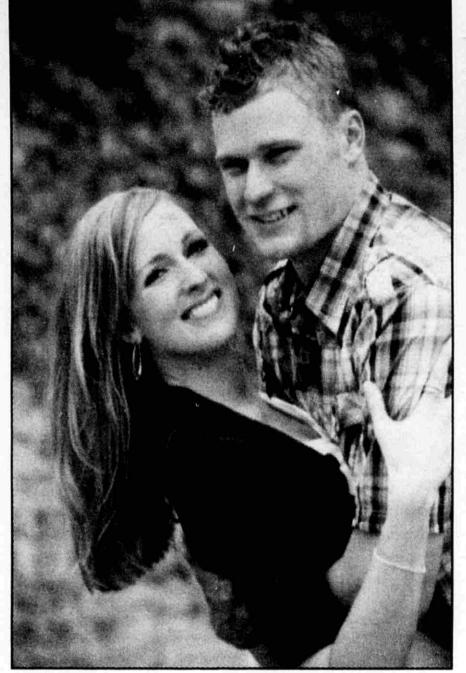
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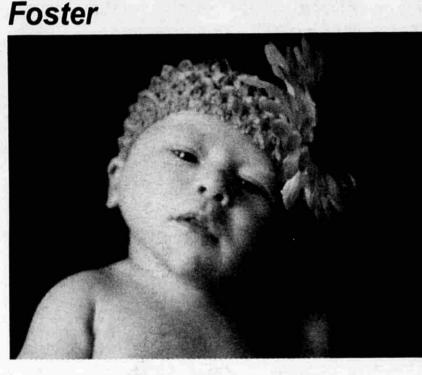
Leatherman, to Gary Lee Dykstra, the son of Gary and Cathy Dykstra of Lowell. The bride-elect is a Wingerter. graduate of Caledonia High

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School and Excel Academics of Cosmetology The groom-elect is a graduate of Lowell High

School and attended G.R.C.C. An August 6, 2010



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births

Olivia Christine Foster

oz. Welcoming her home Ruth Bloemers of Holland.

Brady and Rebecca were grandparents, Kim and Foster, of Alto, are proud to Cheryl Foster of Lowell; and announce the birth of their Gary and Gale Bloemers of daughter, Olivia Christine. Alto; great-grandparents, She was born April 16. Alma Foster of Greenville; 2010, weighing 8 lbs. 6 Dolly Bailey of Ionia; and

happy **birthday!**

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JUNE 24 Vezino. Gay Pfaller. Ramee Guild.

Fred Fyan, Roger Barr. **JUNE 25** Wittenbach, Kim Raines, Angela Lonero.

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Katy Dwane Cavanaugh, Pat Quinton Roth, Hunter Jamieson, David Scott, J.R. Alstine, Elliot Peel

JUNE 27 Dylan Schneider, Aaron Kroemer.

JUNE 28 Brian Doyle.

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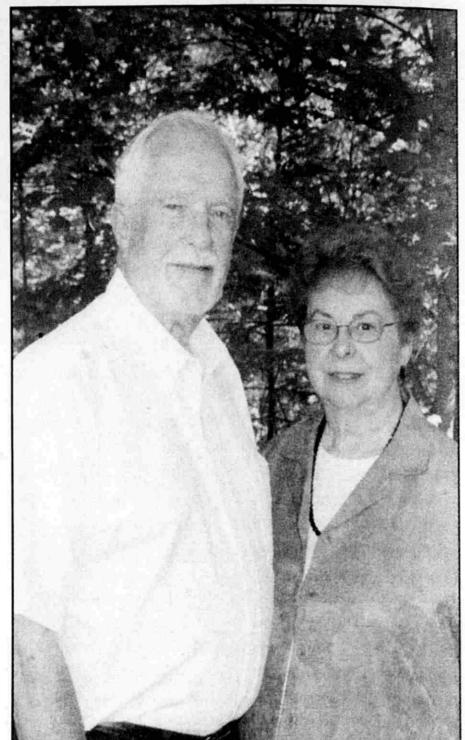
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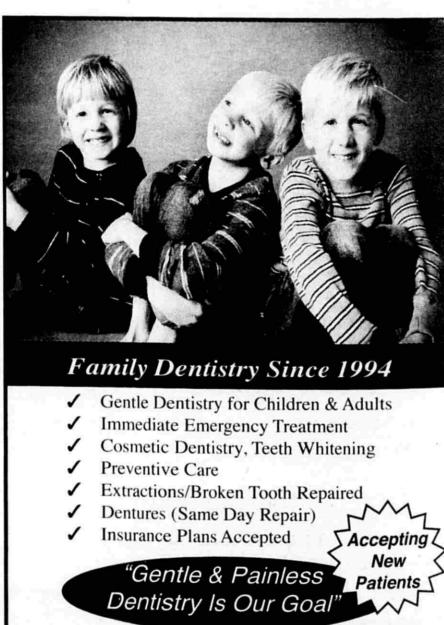
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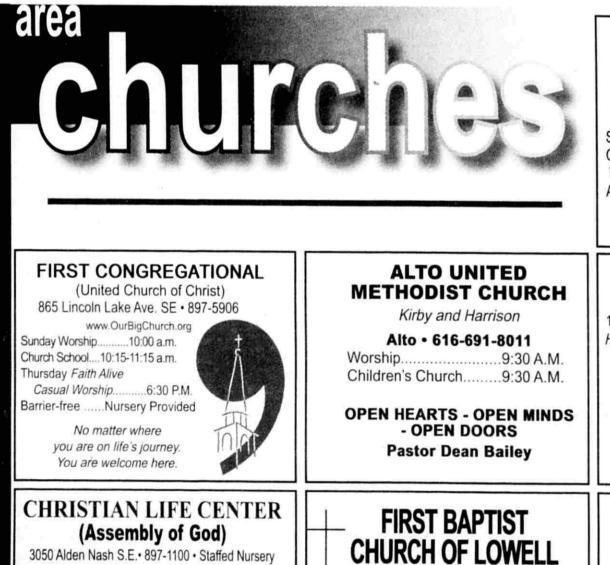
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The couple have one David Michael Harding (Freimund) of son, Harding Lowell will celebrate 50 and daughter-in-law, years of marriage on June Kimberly. They have one 26. A special family dinner granddaughter, Jordan. will be held in honor of the occasion.



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Lowell's Vandermark earns third win at I-96

ubmitted by Richard Bila

I-96 Speedway finally got a break in the weather and a great night of racing turned out to be the end result!

Taking home feature wins were, Darren Long in the sprint cars; Tim Stemler in the UMP (United Midwestern Promoters) modified division; Gary Vandermark in the UMP stock cars; and Paul Namey in the I-96 four cylinder class.

the first feature to hit the 3/8 mile track.

Namey took the lead from his front row starting spot. Teammate Dan Reimersma and Scott Rumsey soon joined Namey and the trio raced high and low through lapped traffic. Reimersma tried several times, high and low, to pass his teammate but Namey held them - early lead from the front row. off. Reimersma, Rumsey, William Morgan, Jason Feutz, Greg Pinard, Calvin Stemler, Jordan Bailey, Adam Meis and Steve Wawiemia rounded out the top ten.

Reimersma and Namey took heat race honors. The win for Namey, his first, broke Reimersma's win streak at three.

"Dan was bumping me, but I was able to stay on Robinson Jr. were mixing it laps," Namey explained. "I started up front and led the

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whole way."

Vandermark took the stock car lead from his front row starting spot and held on until lap 17 when visiting driver David Strunk took over the lead and went on to finish first across the line. Olger to take over second and Strunk was racing a car with set chase after Tim Stemler, a four barrel, thus everyone who held him off for his including him, knew that he first win of the year. Olger, was just racing for last place Travis, Fisk, Robinson Jr., money regardless where he Justin Fleming, Anderson, The four cylinders were finished. Therefore, the win Curt Spalding, Joe Rokos went to Vandermark. Aaron and Chad Maurer were the Wolf, Hillary Smith, William top ten. Anderson, Spalding, Brandt Jr. and Strunk were and Maurer were heat race your official finishers. Vandermark also won the heat. The feature win for 26, I-96 Speedway will be Gary was number three for the year.

> The mod squad feature was another exciting race.

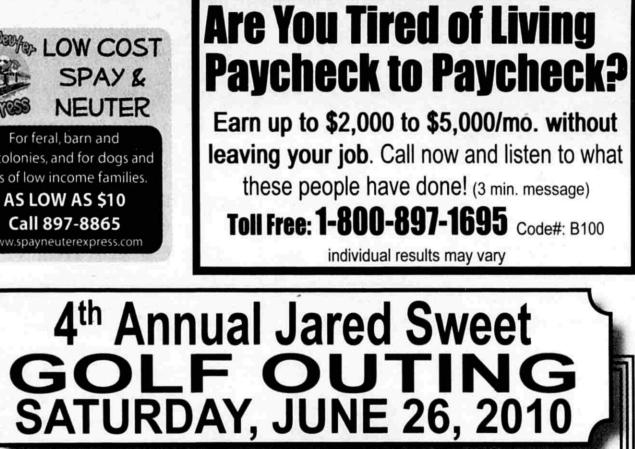
Mark Anderson took the During the third lap, Tim Stemler raced hard on the low side of Anderson in turn two to take the lead. Tim's son Travis then raced Anderson side by side for several laps before taking over the second spot and then he set sail after his dad. Meanwhile back in the pack, Zach Olger, Shannon Fisk, Anderson and last place starting Rich bottom throughout the 20 up and changing positions almost every lap.

With a short field, Gary son checked out by about ten lap feature on the 3/8 mile 3/8 mile track. other hard but clean. Olger tracks regular divisions of off of interstate 96 at exit soon joined the battle and UMP mods, UMP stock cars 64. Go south, then west on i96speedway.com during the 23rd lap, Travis Stemler drifted a little high in turn two and that allowed

This Saturday night, June celebrating its 40th year of racing. The UMP late

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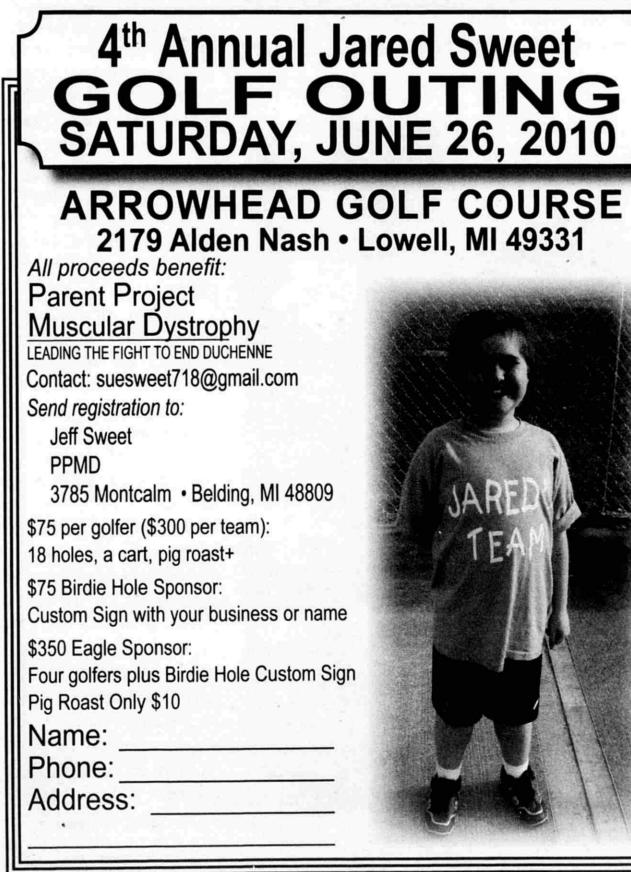




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Back up front, dad and models will return for a 40- and four cylinders all on the

Portland Rd. to the track. The phone number for the track car lengths and raced each track. Also racing will be the I-96 Speedway is located is 616-642-0555. Check out the track website at www.



Paul Namey led from start to finish in the I-96 Speedway Road Beaters race Saturday night.

Lowell's Gary Vandermark was top dog in I-96's street stock race.



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Cannes Film Festival features variety of international films

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Note: The Lowell Ledger published the initial column about the Cannes Film Festival on June 9. Two more installments will follow this week's Cannes story.

by Emma Palova

Experiencing Cannes flying to the international to do it, and not everyone wants to do it. It's riveting, it's moving, it's inspiring, and it shows that anything is the town. possible.

ROBIN HOOD

Cannes movie magic best describes the following quote: "And as films have always been like dreams to me, this is a dream come true." - Tim Burton, president of festival jury

Film Festival, held annually Mediterranean Sea and the Debussy, and outdoors, salle in the French Riviera, is like Maritime Alps. It is flanked du Soixantieme, plus theatres by the old port marina with designated for commercial space station and making sponsor yachts and the and marketing screenings. it back. Not everyone gets posh Boulevard Croisette. The subterranean level is A medieval castle, which is home to the Film Market illuminated at night, rises during the festival. from the mountains above The palace is the first

Even the six-story high several screening theatres. distributors and marketers Festival Palace where The main one is the Grand screen the movies before the movies are projected Theatre Lumiere with they are released to the

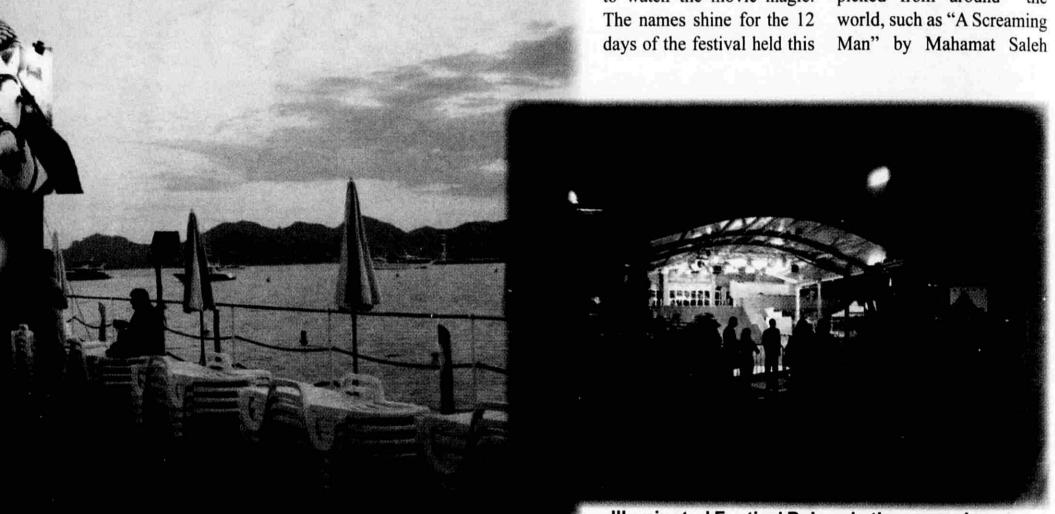
on the backdrop of the Bazin, salle Bunuel, salle

venue where producers, The palace consists of directors, actors, journalists,



The setting of the festival is perfect with the backdrop of the Mediterranean Sea and the Maritime Alps.

illuminated at night as as possible. the moviemakers and the The 63rd festival featured



Billboard for opening movie "Robin Hood" sits at the end of the Ritz-Carlton pier.

resembles octagon-shaped structure that accommodates 2,500. public opinion. surrounded by terraces. The Thousands of large filmfestival location could not be type lights line the walls. more perfect.

The palace is set theatres including salle right here.

a futuristic steep operahouse seating theatres, and unleashed to

The main question, "How will the spectators react to the There are other screening movies?" will be answered the names of the directors. Woody Allen, and others,

"Will they rise in a May 23. thunder of applause?"

wall of the palace bears Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu,

Illuminated Festival Palace is the screening venue for the movies.

year from May 12 through

With One large inclined blue Ridley Scott, Oliver Stone,



Crowds gather to catch a glimpse of a star.

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The wall with names is one comes as close to fame

audience walk the red carpet films in the official selection to watch the movie magic. picked from around the

Haroun from Chad, Africa or "Poetry" by Lee Chang-dong names like from South Korea.

> An international audience screened a total of 34 films judged by the jury for the prestigious Palmares awards, a cosmopolitan equivalent to the Hollywood Oscars. The trophy is a golden palm branch locked in a glass box. The movies competed in feature film, short film, special recognition, camera d'or and cinefondation categories.

> The jury selection is just as important as the screening itself, or the selection of the movies. And most of all, everything is held in secrecy until briefly prior to the festival to create an atmosphere of suspense and surprise.



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Film festival, continued

Kapur, Spanish Victor Erice; French composer Alexandre Desplat; director of National Museum of Cinema in Italy, Alberto Barbera; and finally the president of the jury, USA director Tim Burton, creator of the first Batman movie.

The beauty of the festival, according to Burton, is that you see movies from around point that it becomes your director Xavier the world that otherwise you own story. would not be able to see.

Burton said in a press conference. "You want to be surprised by films."

A film, according to "Of God and Burton, transcends you to a Men" by French

"It is about simplicity, "It's invigorating," passion and character," he by said And of course, you will Dolan.

be surprised by films like

Beauvois "Heartbeats" Canadian director Xavier But,



The international village is home to media and marketing crews from around the world.

Young "Radio Hams" from the Lowell area join in national deployment

submitted by Al Eckman Members of the Amateur Radio Youth Club will ioin with thousands of Amateur Radio operators who will be showing off their emergency capabilities this weekend. Over the past year, the news has been full of reports of ham radio operators providing critical during communications unexpected emergencies

wildfires, winters storms, tornadoes and other events worldwide.DuringHurricane Katrina, Amateur Radio often called "Ham Radio" - was often the only way people could communicate, and hundreds of volunteer "hams" traveled south to save lives and property. When trouble is brewing, Amateur voice communications emergency power supplies, other infrastructure that can

including the California the first to provide rescuers code, hams from across the emergency stations in parks, with critical information USA will be holding public shopping malls, schools and communications. On the demonstrations of emergency and backyards around weekend of June 26-27, the communications abilities. public will have a chance to meet and talk with local ham called "Field Day" is the Radio Works" is more than radio operators and see for climax of the week long just words to the hams as themselves what the Amateur "Amateur Radio Week" they prove they can send Radio Service is about. sponsored by the ARRL, messages in many forms Showing the newest digital the National Association for without the use of phone and satellite capabilities, Amateur Radio. Using only systems, internet or any Sunday.

in towns across America Radio's people are often and even historical Morse ham operators will construct be compromised in a crisis.

This

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION	July 1
The Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider a request for a Special Use Permit from Teressa McGee to establish a Group Child Care Home in her single family dwelling for the care of 7 -12 minor children for periods of less than 24 hours per day.	Lowell St Sizzlin
Property Address:13900 28th Street.General Location:South side of 28th Street approximately one-halfmile east of Pratt Lake Road opposite Tyler Trail, a private street.Parcel Number:41-20-13-126-002	Live M On the River
The public is invited to attend this hearing which will be held as follows: WHEN: MONDAY, JULY 12, 2010 TIME: 7:00 P.M. WHERE: LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP HALL 2910 ALDEN NASH AVENUE SE LOWELL, MI 49331	
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"Batman" made out of sand by an unknown artist.

vear's festival also had a theme, strong family demonstrated in "Another Year" by British director an invitation to travel Michael Leigh Tree" by French director to discover new worlds in Julie Bertuccelli.

Some movies, like the opening Riddley Scott's "Robin Hood" starring Russel Cannes will carry you away Crowe; and Oliver Stone's onto the red carpet and "Wall Street-Money Never into the palace to sample Sleeps" starring Michael the atmosphere of an actual Douglas; did not compete, but screening of a few selected premiered at the festival for movies, and to a press the first coveted publicity.

And as the general stars.

delegate of the festival as Thierry Fremaux summarized, the films are or "The addressed to those privileged world premieres and later in the theatres.

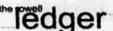
> The next story from conference with one of the

the country. Their slogan, annual event, "When All Else Fails, Ham More than 35,000 amateur radio operators across the country participated in last year's event.

The vouth club: A.R.G.Y.L. (Amateur Radio Group of Youth in Lowell) will be set up at Fallasburg Park, near the garage, from 2 p.m. Saturday to 2 p.m.



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Geldersma, USBC state champion



Eva Geldersma rolled the highest three game series in the singles competition en route to tallying the highest overall pin total. In her 253 game, Geldersma strung together eight straight strikes.

by Thad Kraus

It's a bowling season Eva Geldersma won't soon forget.

It came to a close Saturday night in Grand Blanc when Geldersma was honored as the top women's state bowler in Michigan.

girls' The Lowell bowling coach was one of a thousand women to compete in the United States **Bowling Congress Michigan** State Women's (USBC) tournament.

Geldersma's three-game singles total of 720 (212, 253, 255) was a tournament

In doubles play she rolled a three-game total of 654

(201, 253, 200) and in team competition Geldersma finished with a 600 (198, 203, 199) series.

"It's huge to be the number one state bowler in Michigan," Geldersma said. "I was able to have a good time and to stay focused."

Geldersma attributed her success to her coaching at the high school level.

"I believe watching and teaching the girls helped me," Geldersma explained. "It helped me to make adjustments and to work the lanes."

The Lowell graduate \$1,680. explained that based on what she told the girls and getting picky with them actually helped her to adjust throughout the tournament.

In her singles play, Geldersma opened with eight straight strikes in game two (253).

"I still got nervous. My knees buckled a little on that ninth ball," Geldersma said. "I wasn't close."

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South Lowell team leads food fight at halftime

submitted by Rick Seese

The South Lowell team roared back just before halftime to take the lead by the slimmest of margins, a mere six non-perishable food items, 2,972 - 2,966.

Schneider Manor and Lowell Senior Neighbors exploded for South Lowell, with RedFrog Technologies and Greenridge Realty also even, but the FROM Thrift food items. The South seems

Shop scored solely for the poised with more scoring from their Friday blue jeans' collection, which was split evenly between North and South.

were virtually on the final day by only 66 Parade."

North. The Lowell City threats in 2010, but the North Hall staff contributed \$100 has several big play leaders that are expected to play a big part in this year's outcome.

The 5,938 total food items collected shatters last year's Last year, the South had a first-half total scoring of sizable halftime lead, but the 3,562. The third quarter ends North outscored the South on June 30 and the game ends in the third quarter to take on July 10, following the chipping in. Food pantry a slim lead before winning "FROM the Heart Riverwalk

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Final day scoring during the parade in 2009 made a difference in the final outcome. There will be red (North) and white (South) barrels lining discounts in exchange

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The Lowell City Hall staff presents Mary Novello, executive director for Flat River Outreach Ministries, \$100 toward the North-South Food Fight.

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As USBC champion.

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rolled successfully elsewhere

as Geldersma helped her

sister win a \$150 scholarship

by winning the YABA (Youth

Adult Bowling Association)

If that wasn't already

enough, Geldersma also

claimed top honors in the

Moose Women's State

tournament in Owosso.

Bowling tournament.

Geldersma won a check for

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The Tale of the Troll, Part XI

v Amy Hayes

Last week, our younger, hipper trolls were making their presence felt in Lowell. Molly at Ball's Softee Creme was juggling two handsome trolls and trying to figure out what to do about "so many men-trolls - so little time!"

the help of her younger friend Ginger. Now Ginger was an outgoing, mischievous, gorgeous troll who had very little time for all the nonsense of tracking down a boy trollfriend. Ginger listened to Molly, as any dear friend would do. But then, she simply changed the subject and asked

Molly if she had seen all the beautiful new, sparkly things she had made at Glass House Design.

Ginger loved creating treasures for Glass House and she was quite pleased with her latest creations. Molly had to admit the jewelry, dishes, and little knickknacks that Ginger made were truly special. It wasn't long before Molly was buying up everything in the

You better hurry and see all Ginger's trinkets at Glass House Designs before Molly wipes out the place.

While the two gals were oooing and ahhing over every

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piece of jewelry in Glass was constantly giving away men-trolls; Ginger, thinking House Designs, their goofy a bunch of free pizzas that friend Doughboy walked in.

go-lucky troll who loved any and everything to do with making and eating pizzas. Doughboy lived at Jet's Pizza and he was a regular magician buddy in the kitchen. He was always happy and nothing could ever and Molly would soon be bring him down.

Now, we did say Doughboy was a "magic man" in the kitchen. The only problem was that he made the pizzas the way he wanted them made, not necessarily the way the customer ordered them. Consequently,

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time to save themselves



the parade route for final for food donations. Daily team donations. Food Fight scoring updates, pictures and Specials are throughout stories can be found at www.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 09-186597-DE

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1055 Forest Hill Ave. SE, within 4 months after Grand Rapids, Michigan, the date of publication died 01/01/2009. of this notice. of the

Molly decided to enlist

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When Ginger saw her

Doughboy. she immediately knew that she eating a delicious Jet's Pizza.



about glass, beads. and he had messed up. The guys jewelry; Doughboy was just Doughboy was a happy- at Jet's loved Doughboy, but savoring the delicious pizza decided to limit his kitchen pie, wishing his mom could make pizzas like this for him.

Oh no - his mom! He had forgotten he was supposed to pick her up at Salon 206 an hour ago. He thought he was a dead-troll. He raced off without

even a backward glance at his friends

Tune in next week to learn if Doughboy was a "deadtroll." Had he indeed eaten his last pizza on this earth? Would his mom tear him limb from limb? See you at Salon 206 to learn the fate of our beloved Doughboy!

obituaries

DENNIE

Richard Lloyd Dennie, 80, of Lufkin, originally from Lowell, son of Mary (Alexander) and Lloyd J. Dennie, was born August 4, 1929 and passed away June 10, 2010 at his residence. Mr. Dennie served his country in the United States Air Force. He was an electrician for Lufkin Industries for many years. Mr. Dennie was a member of the Denman Avenue Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife. Ruth llene Dennie of Lufkin: daughters, Nancy and Scott Staskus, Carolyn Jansen, Lori Olivarez and Jeffrey Jones, and Lisa Butler; grandchildren. Chris and Melissa Dennie, Miranda and Joey Harris, Katrina and Jonathan Davis, Shane Jansen, Morgan, Luke and Gabriel Olivarez, Alexia, Kaitlin and Trey Butler; six great-grandchildren; sisters Leila Evans and Grace Green: brother, Donald Dennie; numerous nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends. Mr. Dennie was preceded in death by his parents: son-in-law. Mark Jansen: and brother, Howard Dennie. Funeral services were held Monday, June 14.

JOHNSON

Jerry Lee Johnson, aged 69, of Kentwood, went to be with his Lord, Thursday, June 17, 2010. He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Kathleen; children, Bryan (Robin) Johnson, Dwayne (Brenda) Johnson and Wendell Johnson; grandchildren, Matthew, Brandon, Calvin, Dustin, Brittany, Olivia, Noelle, Alyssa, Deanna,

> **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING** LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP **PLANNING COMMISSION**

The Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to amend the Township Zoning Ordinance regarding swimming pools. The current ordinance does not pertain to hot tubs and spas and requires fencing for all swimming pools regardless of the depth. The proposed amendments would require fencing for all swimming pools, wading pools, hot tubs, and spas capable of containing water with a depth of more than 24 inches.

The public is invited to attend this hearing which will be held as follows:

WHEN: TIME: WHERE: MONDAY, JULY 12, 2010 7:00 P.M. LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP HALL 2910 ALDEN NASH AVENUE SE LOWELL, MI 49331

The proposed amendment is available for review at the Lowell Charter Township offices, 2910 Alden Nash Avenue, SE, Lowell, Michigan, 49331 during normal office hours on Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday or by calling 897-7600.

> Tim Clements, Secretary Lowell Charter Township Planning Commission



MacKenzie and Keegan; brother-in-law, David (Judy) Whitney; sister-in-law, Nadine (Dan) Therrian; also nieces and nephews. Jerry was a life-long and active member of Alto Baptist Church where a funeral service was held Monday with Rev. Bryan Johnson, officiating. Interment Oakwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers,

memorial contributions may be made to Alto Baptist

Church, 6015 Bancroft Ave. SE, Alto, MI 49302 and the

Transport for Christ Ministries.

RASH

Eugene "Babe" Rash, age 85, of Lowell, passed away Saturday, June 19, 2010. Preceding him in death is his wife, Edna; son, Gary; and granddaughter, Jodie Rash. Survived by his children, Lois Eickhoff, Janice Wheat, Barbara (Lynn) Wittenbach, and James Rash; 13 grandchildren: 16 great-grandchildren: a sister-in-law. Norabelle Rash; and a brother-in-law, Albert (Evelyn) Martin. He boxed in the Golden Gloves, played softball, loved to play the harmonica and old time country music. A memorial service was held Tuesday, June 22 at the Roth-Gerst Chapel with Jonathan Rash officiating

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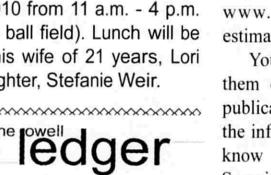
Michael (Mike) Alan Wright, formerly of Lowell, passed away on April 13, 2010 in Huntsville, AL. A Celebration of Life will be held at Fallasburg Park in Lowell on Sunday, July 11, 2010 from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the picnic area C-2 (by the ball field). Lunch will be served. Mike is survived by his wife of 21 years, Lori (Lilly) Wright; and his stepdaughter, Stefanie Weir.

knowledge and experiences local Social Security office. that grandparents can pass remind them that all they along to their children and have to do is drag the mouse grandchildren. However, there's one place where young people can teach grandma and grandpa a thing they can apply online for

or two: online. Show your grandparents how they can use www. socialsecurity.gov to avoid unneeded trips to a Social Security office. Take them to the online Retirement Estimator, a tool that helps them figure out how much they may get in monthly benefits depending on when they retire. It's available at www.socialsecurity.gov/ estimator.

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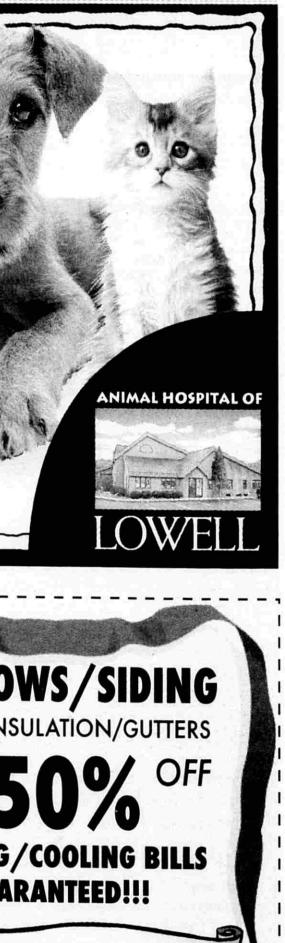
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With age comes wisdom. When they grab their hats Clearly, there is a lot of and try to drag you to the across the mouse pad. Take them to www.socialsecurity. gov/applyonline, where retirement benefits in as little

as 15 minutes — that may be less time that it would have taken to lock the front door and start up the car. Once they click the "submit" button, they're done. (And so are you.

While you're online with them, here's an excuse to visit Facebook and Twitter. Show them how to follow Social Security on both! The icons are right on our main page, www.socialsecurity.

gov Vonda VanTil is the public affairs specialist for West Michigan. You can write her c/o Social Security Administration, 50 College Now you've done it! SE, Grand Rapids, MI You've been so helpful that 49503 or via email at vonda.



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misc.

LOWELL TOWNSHIP - I was at Riverfront Park on Sunday and what a fantastic place including the boat launch. Thanks to John Timpson for his vision. Joice Smith

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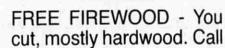
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AMERICAN LEGION CLARK-ELLIS POST 152 - meets the fourth Monday at 3100 Alden Nash S.E. at 7:30 p.m.

ALTO AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY - meets the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Alto American Legion Post. V.F.W. POST #8303 - meets the

first Monday at 7 p.m. at 3116 Alden Nash S.E.

LOWELLSHOWBOATGARDEN CLUB - meets the 3rd Monday in the Church of the Nazarene Fellowship Hall, 211 N. Washington St. at 7 p.m.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 102 - every Monday, 7-8:30 p.m. during school vear in Scout Cabin at the end of N. Washington St. Ages 11 and up or completing 5th grade. Call Scoutmaster Randy Jesberg at 897-4569 or Del Rockwell at 897-6814.

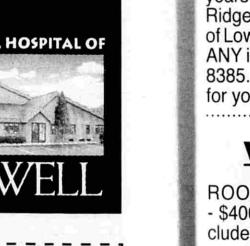
TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY TOPS MI #372 - every Tuesday at Key Heights Mobile Home Park Community Building, Weigh-ins at 5:45 p.m.

WOMEN FOR SOBRIETY neets every Monday, 7-8 p.m. at CUB SCOUT PACK 3188 - meets Bowne Center United Methodist every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Church, fellowship hall, 12051 First United Methodist Church, 84th St., corner of Alden Nash. 621 E. Main. Call Sue at 868-6219 or www.

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to Rockford-Lowell Ambulance and Lowell Rescue personnel who made several trips to our home over the past couple years They both were prompt in their responses and handled my husband with care and respect. The rescue people always stayed behind to help in so many ways, making sure I had things under control before they left. Also, to my family and friends who were so supportive with their love prayers, cards and food during the loss of my husband. My thanks to all.

Gladys Fletcher

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400 individual servings of dessert were delivered to God's Kitchen for Father's Day. Thank you, wives of American Legion, VFW and Women of Lowell.

Jan Thompson

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Tuesdays 9:30 - 11:15 a.m. No in Schneider Manor Community church membership or experience required. Bring preschoolers for Story Hour & Craft. Free nursery for younger children. There's an evening class on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. No children's class. Calvary Christian Reformed Church, M-21 across from Burger King. 897-7060.

A.D.D./A.D.H.DISSUESGROUP meets every third Tuesday, 7-9 p.m. at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 32156 4-Mile N.E. (at E. Beltline). Call Linda at 874-

DIABETIC SUPPORT GROUP 2nd Tuesday at Schneider Manor Community Rm., 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. 897-2760 or 897-9160.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #7719 - second and fourth Tuesday at St. Mary School, 7:30 p.m.

BACK TO BASICS - every Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at 865 Lincoln Lake, Lowell. Closed AA meetings. Non-smoking.

ROLLAWAY LTD. SENIOR BOWLING - Wednesdays, 1 p.m., 55 and over.

LOWELL AREA TRAILWAY meets 2nd Wednesday at 6 p.m. at alternate locations. Visit www. lowellareatrailway.org or call Mari 897-5671

ALANON - Fridays at 8 p.m. Lowell First United Methodist Church, 621 E. Main St. (Use west entrance off Jackson St.) 897-5936.

ALANON - Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Englehardt Library Community Room. 897-5936.

- 2nd Wednesday at 11:45 a.m. Room, 725 Bowes Rd.

FLAT RIVER WOOD CARVERS - Tuesdays at LAAC 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. New members welcome.

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ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION OF WEST MICHIGAN - Sup port Group 3rd Wednesday at Fountain View of Lowell, 11535 E Fulton, 1 p.m. Call 897-8413.

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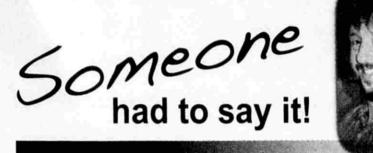
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I caught a few moments of the World Cup and a few hours of the U.S. Open.

Where to begin? The standing joke amongst soccer haters is why do U.S. kids play soccer? So they don't have to watch it!

Have you tried watching the World Soccer Cup? The

Thad Kraus

soccer is fine, but the noise emanating from the horns is unbearable to the ears.

Fans pay \$7 for a horn and it sounds like everybody has one. Someone is collecting a nice paycheck, but the noise is not listener friendly.

Remember a few years



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Jeep parts, tools, some furniture & household Fri., June 25, noon - 8 p.m. & Sat., June 26, 9-6 p.m. 1650 Foreman. Cash only, no presales.

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COMMUNITY GARAGE SALES June 23 & 24, 9-5 p.m. 434 High St., IONIA in SSPP Church Garage

GARAGE SALE

June 24 & 25, 9-5 p.m. Furniture (sectional, entertainment center, 65" big screen), clothing, household items, something for everyone. 11480 Bluewater Hwy. (2 miles E. of Lowell on M-21).

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back the NBA rolled out type weather, cool and a new basketball for the windy. start of the season? Within only one who struggled month(s) players revolted and commissioner David Stern was forced to go back included Ernie Els. Phil to the old ball.

Well, the soccer world all succumbed to Pebble rolled out a new ball for the Beach World Cup. It has not been received kindly by soccer good he'd take from his officials and its fans.

The experts believe it has on Sunday, Woods said curbed scoring, in a sport "nothing." where scoring is already limited.

The real question is drop when Tiger isn't in the why on your sport's biggest tournament or at or near the stage, when you want the top of the leader board when sport and its stars to shine he is playing. brightly, does one decide to experiment with a new ball?

On a typically tough - sporting wraparound sun U.S. Open manicured course glasses and a sponsor's cap. (Pebble Beach, this year) Ireland's Graeme McDowell fired a closing round of 74, finishing even par and still won the tournament.

The 2010 U.S. Open them? He was a good to champion said, before the great golfer, but he was fun tournament, that he loved to watch and listen to. Pebble Beach and that it reminded him of the courses and characters, all that's left he plays in Ireland. In for television is Tiger - love addition. McDowell also him or hate him - Woods is a benefitted from the Ireland good watch!

DRAFT SYNOPSIS OF THE REGULAR MEETING **OF THE LOWELL CITY COUNCIL MONDAY, JUNE 21, 2010**

Motion to approve the agenda as corrected.

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2010 meeting as corrected and the accounts payables were approved.

City Manager David Pasquale read the 2010 State of the City Address.

Motion to approve the Labor Agreement between the Lowell Police Officers Association affiliated with the Michigan Fraternal Order of Police and the City of Lowell as presented.

Motion to approve the resolution authorizing execution of a residential Lease Agreement with Gary C. Dietzel and Sandra Bartlett related to City-owned property located at 990 N. Washington.

Motion to approve the contract between the County, City and Hope Network West Michigan (North Kent Transit) July 1 2010 to June 30, 2011.

Motion to go into Closed Session at 8:15 p.m.

Motion to adjourn at 10:23 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, July 6, 2010.

Complete minutes will be available after approved on July 6, 2010 on the City's web page at www.ci.lowell.mi.us or at City Hall.

> Betty R. Morlock City Clerk



JUNE 16 - JUNE 22 Northern Ireland's Graeme McDowell wins the U.S. Open at Pebble Beach. This is the first European to claim the U.S. Open golf title in 40

years.

Bernie Madoff reportedly tells inmates of secret stash of \$9 billion.

John Lennon's handwritten lyrics fetch \$1.2 million at auction.

President Obama announces to NASA that by 2025 he wants NASA to land astronauts on an asteroid.

dies at 47.



A great big thank you to the gentleman and his wife who picked up my \$20 bill that I had dropped on the floor.

Thanks to the forward thinking of Lowell Light & Power a few years ago, and to their wise proactive tree trimming, our power did not go out in the big storm last night. Where are the tree huggers today?

Thank goodness our civil defense sirens work. However, it was difficult to distinguish them from the constant hum generated by the mill.

last week's Sound Off **Poll result**:

Now that the giant statue of Jesus (Big Butter Jesus) has been hit by lightening, should the church in Ohio that created it:

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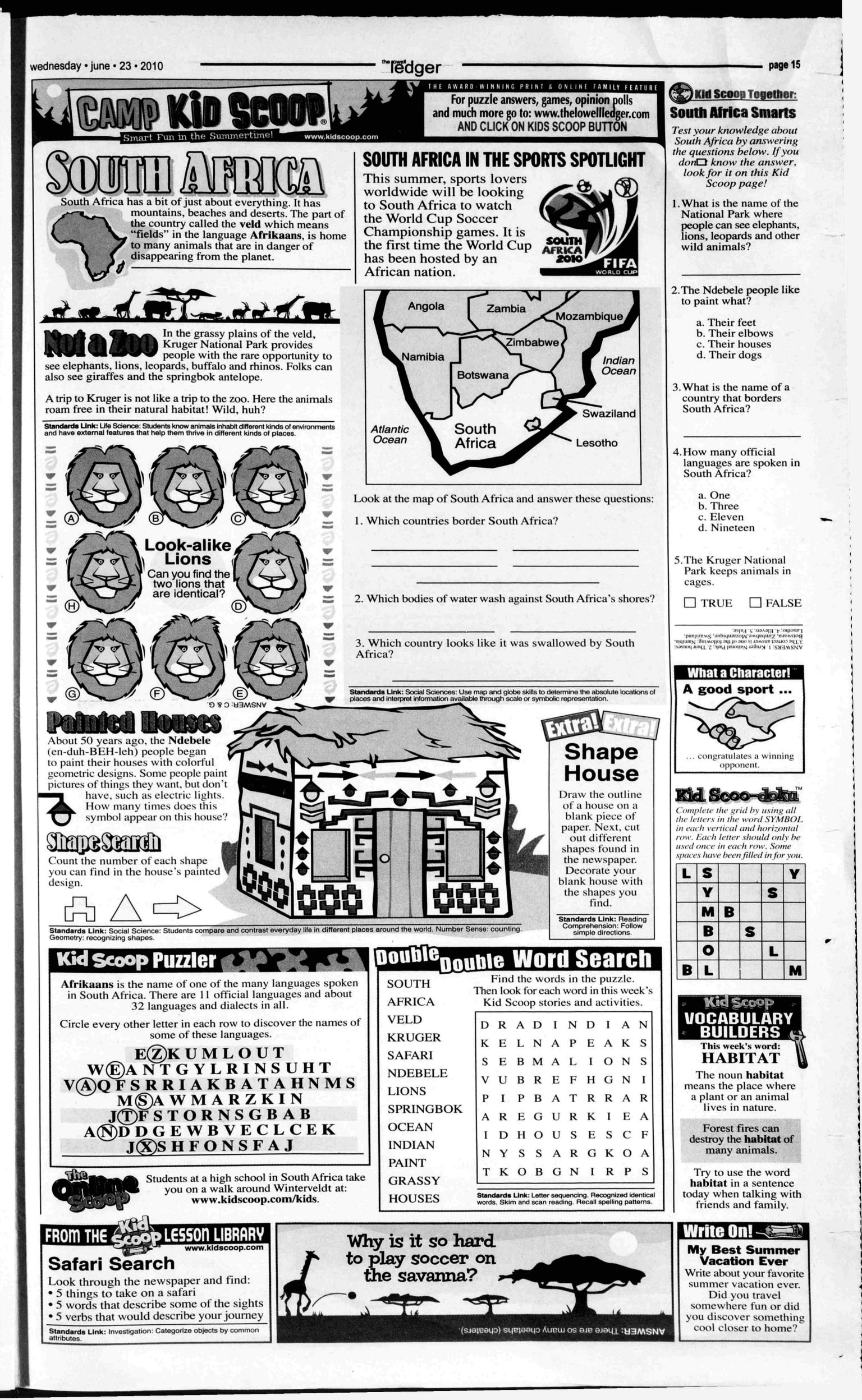
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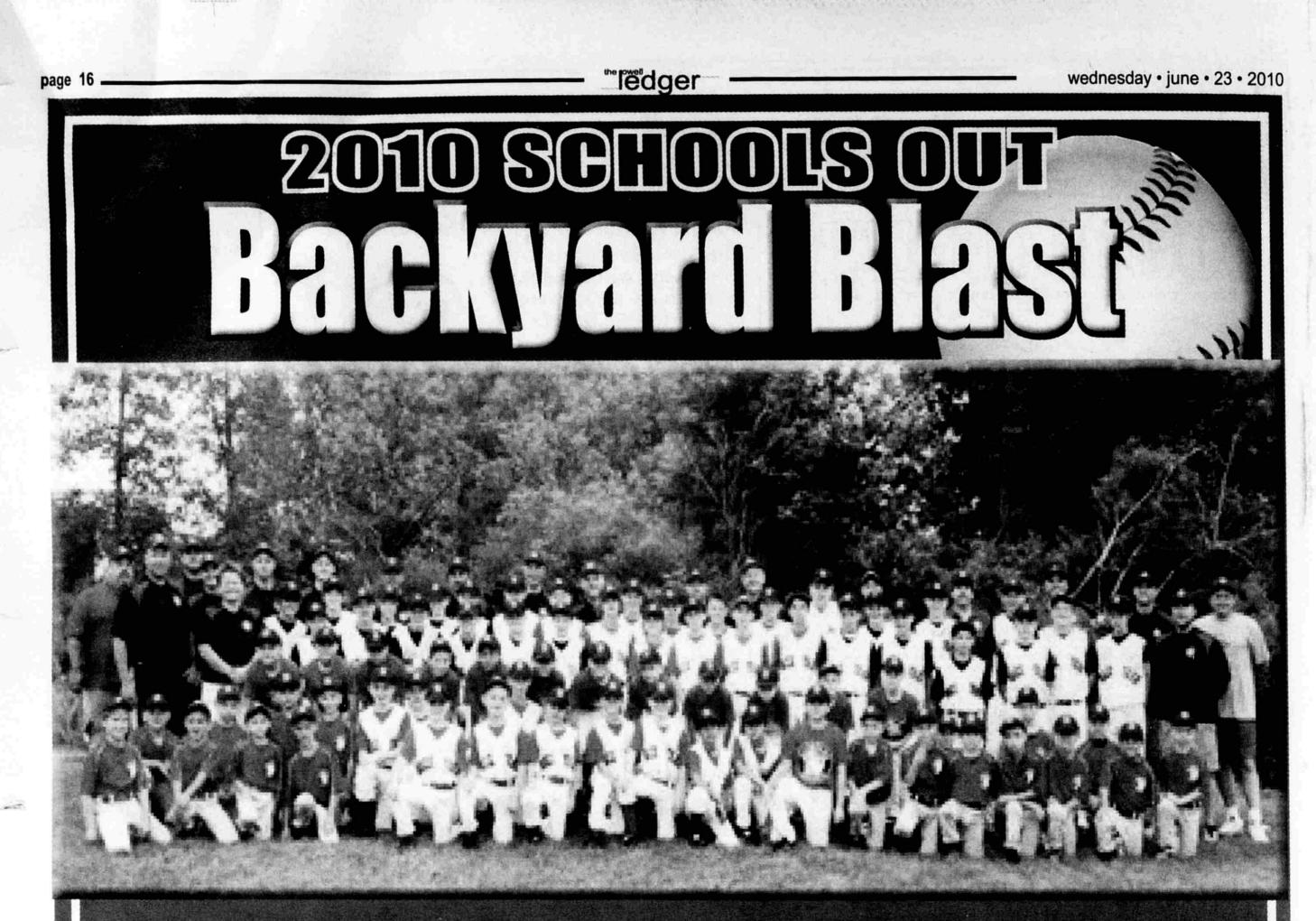
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To vote on the current poll question go to: thelowellledger.com





A fantastic weekend concluded June 13th in the 2nd annual Schools Out Backyard Blast. Hosted in Lowell at Creekside Park, Rec Park and the Cherry Creek. The 44 team event was headed by the Backyard Dreams Travel Baseball Teams.

Many players, many memories were made this past weekend, not only on the field but also meeting other play-

ers, participating in the Home Run Derby, Speed pitch, field help, concessions help and much, much more. More than 70 parents and friends donated time to help with the huge event here in Lowell.

Thank you to everyone that helped. A very special thanks to many that were up at the crack of dawn, and didn't leave the parks until after dark for the 3 straight days and all the prep and planning that was done months and months prior to the event. It all came together for a very memorable weekend, thank you so much!

On the diamond, all the teams had great success including our 11U team taking the Championship over the Niles Shockers in a nail-bitter 1-0. The Backyard Dreams 13U team also went undefeated winning the 13U championship in a back and forth slugfest 15-11 over the Portage Rampage. Our 12U team played outstanding ball, finishing 2nd to a very strong Grand Rapids Elite Team. Our 8U Backyard Dreams Red Sox also took 2nd place, making it to the championship before coming up short vs. Diamonds. The 8U Black Sox, our 9U and 10U teams also played great, and exciting BYD baseball. All teams played outstanding ball this past weekend and continue to make giant strides in the development of our kids, organization and the BYD family.

There were so many great plays made, come from behind victories, tight ball games, laughs, excitement, cheers and even tears of hard fought games. Trophies and shirts earned for 1st and 2nd place. Kids giving it their all, coaches, parents, grand parents, and friends all standing proud. So many people having so much fun, so many compliments, from our own community to those that traveled from across the state from many of the 44 different organizations that were present with an approximate 2500-3000 additional people in Lowell this weekend. Many of our sponsors were very busy as well including B.C. Pizza and Spring Training!

Everyone should be very proud of our accomplishments! In a short period of time the Backyard Dreams teams are quickly becoming a staple in the travel baseball community throughout the state, not only for great baseball, but also great people. BYD will host the 3rd annual Schools Out Backyard Blast next summer, the weekend right after school is out in 2011.

The Backyard Dreams season is just past the halfway point for most of our teams,

with 2 or three tournaments left to travel to, along with

local games yet to be played before the season concludes by the end of July.

Backyard Dreams will start again with tryouts for the 2011 season that will be held in early August 2010. Come see a game, come out and see what all the fun is all about!

Check out our website www.yourbackyarddreams.net for all details.

