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Riverwalk Fest 2010 takes to downtown Lowell and to the fairgrounds this weekend

by Emma Palova

mascot will once again take to the streets in downtown Lowell on the halfway finished bridge during this year's Riverwalk Fest. Nothing can stop the duck, or the show from going on.

The festival promises a fullspectrumofactivitiesfor three entire days. Kicking off will be Thursday night's concert, featuring Madcat, Kane and Maxwell Street. The band is named after a famous Chicago street market, where anything can be bought or sold.

Local food vendors and the Showboat cash bar will be grilling and chilling Ministries on Friday on Avery Street Saturday. along with the Englehardt

Library used book sale The almighty duck from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

New this year is the North Country Trail Pack and Paddle event on Saturday, July 10 at 9 a.m. Arts and crafts, the used book sale, street entertainers, and food booths open at 10 a.m.

Lowell Area Chamber director Liz Baker encourages visitors to compete in the Bill and Paul's kayak and canoe race at 10 a.m., or just plain enjoy kayak fun on the Flat River or the historic pontoon tours on both Friday and Saturday.

The parade will line up will be open for business along Main Street at noon to along the Riverwalk. There benefit Flat River Outreach (FROM) on

"Bring your nonperishable food items and toys to the parade and

donate your gifts," said start the parade this year. Baker.

The 8th annual Brian watch for the clowns to Memorial Cruise-In will

All cars in the show may also be viewed at the

> Riverwalk, continued, page 3



This year the corporate ducks were placed on the bridge over the Grand River for greater exposure due to the construction project.

Lowell to offer accommodations downtown on the Flat River

by Emma Palova

Lowell will have a motel right in the heart of town overlooking the Flat River by this fall.

Deb Canfield of Canfield Plumbing and Heating said the motel will fill a big need in town. Currently, there are no accommodations available in the downtown area.

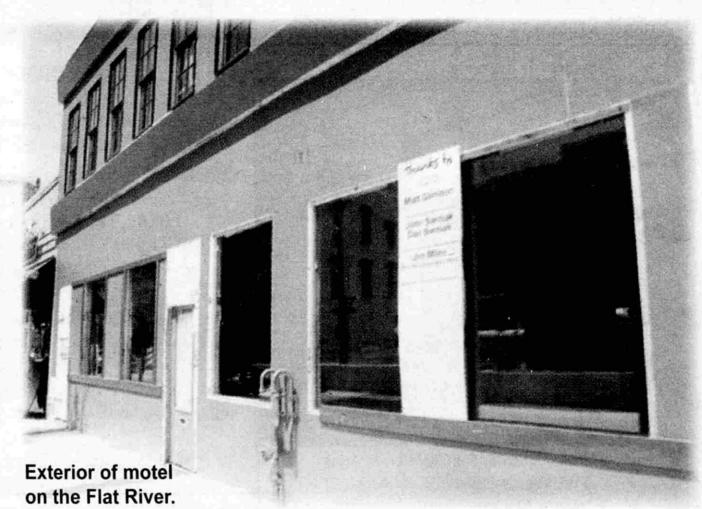
Not wanting to compete with local restaurants, the co-owner couple decided to go with a motel rather than a bed and breakfast.

Owner Greg Canfield is restoring a building at 117 West Main. The Downtown

Authority Development (DDA) contributed finances to the restoration.

Canfield purchased two buildings that were slated for demolition due to public safety concerns and structural instability. He requested \$30,000 from the DDA for the renovations that would, in the long run, save the city money by preserving their tax revenue. The money would be used to secure the south foundation wall, which is required even if the buildings are removed.

> Accommodations, continued, page 3



Lowell woman killed in motorcycle crash

The investigation of Wednesday afternoon's motorcycle fatality remains ongoing, pending prosecutor review.

Beth Schuivens, 50, of Lowell, was eastbound on her 1995 Kawasaki motorcycle at approximately 3:20 p.m. when a 1995 Ford F-150

pickup truck (westbound) driven by a 54-year-old Big Rapids' man failed to yield the right-of-way while making a left turn into a private drive according to the Michigan State Police.

The pickup truck struck Schuivens' motorcycle, ejecting her from the bike.

The Lowell woman

was pronounced dead at the scene.

She was wearing a helmet and was the only occupant on the bike according to the Michigan State Police report.

There were passengers in the pickup and no injuries were incurred by the driver.

Alcohol and/or drugs are not believed to be factors in the crash.

State troopers were assisted at the scene by the Kent County Sheriff Department, Lowell and Ada Fire departments, Rockford/Lowell Ambulance and the Kent County Road Commission.

Any witnesses not contacted by troopers at the scene are asked to call Trooper Brian Komm at the State Police Post in Rockford (616) 866-4411.

Lowell community bids farewell to three

Last week, the community bid farewell to Ivan Blough, James Wood and Bill Shepard, who all passed away within two days of each other. There were signs all around town expressing sorrow for the loss.

A sign by Showboat Auto, read, "Lowell's Loss is heaven's gain, thanks Ivan.'

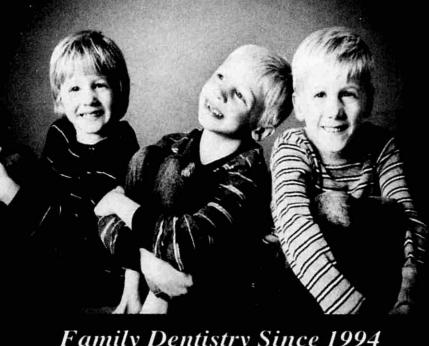
The services for Blough were held at the Lowell High School Performing Arts Center. Boy Scouts from Troop 102 including Alex McIntire gave out programs and guided mourners to the seats in the auditorium.

the showboat replica from the fairgrounds was placed at the high school.



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USED BOOK SALE

Fri., July 9, 6-9 p.m. and Sat., July 10, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. under the striped tent at Riverwalk Plaza. Sponsored by the Friends of the Englehardt Library. Proceeds to support library programming.

HEALTH FAIR & BLOOD DRIVE

2010 Lowell Community Wellness Health and Fitness Fair at the Lowell Police garage on Sat., July 10 from 10-4 p.m. to learn more about your health and give back to your community by donating blood. Michigan Blood will have their mobile bus on site for anyone to give the gift of life. Walk-ins are welcomed but if you'd like to make an appointment, contact Meggan Johnson at 987-1002 or mjohnson@lowellschools.com

PROJECT WET WORKSHOP

Get trained in Project WET at the Wittenbach/Wege Center. You will receive the Project WET Curriculum and Activity Guide - a collection of innovative, water-related hands-on activities for K-12 that is easy to use. For more information, contact Meggan Johnson at 987-1002 or miohnson@lowellschools.com

BEGINNING WOODCARVING CLASS

Whittle away! Create an animal or object of your choice and learn the fun craft of woodcarving. For ages 8+. Tues., July 13 - Sept. 14 from 4-5:30 p.m. at the Lowell Area Arts Council. Call 897-8545 to register.

ASK THE DOCTOR

Dr. Paul Gauthier will be at Gilda's Club, 314 S. Hudson, to answer your questions and lead a discussion on Tues., July 13, 5:30-7 p.m. Please join us for this wonderful opportunity to speak with a medical professional. For information, call 897-8600.

BEAD WORKSHOP

Karyn Moulton will lead us in a creative bead workshop on Tues., July 13, 6-7:30 p.m. at Gilda's Club, 314 S. Hudson St. For information call 897-8600.

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Sign up at the Nazarene Church, 201 N. Washington St. Sat., July 17, 10 a.m. - noon. You may also order online using your debit or credit card. Go to www.angelfoodministries. com. Any questions, call Esther, 897-7395.

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Riverwalk, continued

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Lowell fairgrounds and Throwdown this year." awards will be presented at 1 p.m.

to stop at the flush tank one of 300 barbecue events where famous Lowell that take place throughout personalities can flushed," said Baker.

Pauly's promised last year, chicken, ribs, pork butt and

by the Kansas City "And don't forget Barbeque Society and is be the country.

contestants

The event is sanctioned

As Paul Faba of compete in four categories: be without a beer?

will be BBQ and food vendors on hand at the

at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, with crafted Michigan local restaurants. Even though you cannot brews. Live entertainment sample the barbecue, there will feature Stolen Horses will take place on the Grand River for greater

Lowell fairgrounds. said Baker. What would a barbecue

Wristbands for \$5 will a very personalized event \$100 each. "There will be a Brew-B-Q brisket. The competition allow entry into the beer to Lowell, "Trolling for

country group of the north," will receive \$1,000 and

begins at 8 a.m. with awards barn inside the Reath Barn Grub" by the participating

Grand River at 6:30 p.m. on exposure due to the bridge "This is your true Saturday. The duck winner replacement project.

The corporate ducks this year have been placed The \$1,500 duck race on the bridge over the

Fireworks at the Stoney the following five ducks to Lakeside Park on Bowes Also new this year is finish the race will receive Road at 10:15 p.m. will wrap up the festival.

Accommodations, continued

its original two-story look with balconies. with conference rooms.

of the river. However, all The plan is for the guests to rooms have fabulous views

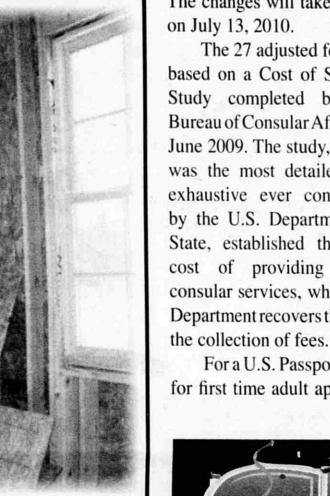
The building will have of both sides of the river shop and eat downtown,

The prices, depending It is framed for seven on the market, will run

The building rooms with one honeymoon around \$100 with the green fitting perfectly into suite facing the north side honeymoon suite for more. the downtown area.

beautifully decked out in

according to Deb Canfield.



of State has published for the passport fee, payable Visa pages, \$150 File Search its Schedule of Fees for to the Department of State; Fee and \$60 for expedite Consular Services in the acceptance fee, payable to processing. Federal Register. The acceptance facility \$25.

schedule includes fees for Total first time application fees can be viewed at www. passports, immigrant visas fee \$135. For a U.S. and other consular services. The changes will take effect Passport

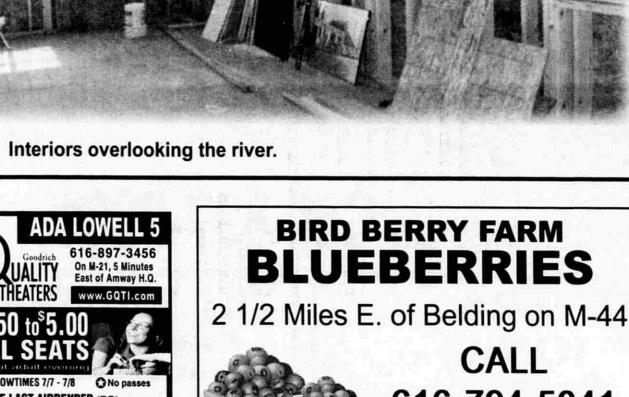
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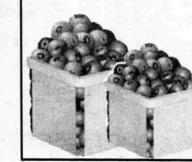


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district with information

about the employees in their

district who are retiring,

including their effective

retirement date. Retiring

employees had to declare

their retirement date as July

1, August 1 or September

The ORS will be

working closely with

school districts throughout

the summer to provide final

pension information for

retiring school employees.

School districts were given a

small number of extensions

to retain selected retirees for

up to one year. Of the 3,200

extensions made available

statewide, school districts

utilized only 1,295.

17,000 school employees retire statewide

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Number of retirements more than three times the yearly average.

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of Retirement Services employee reforms. Changes to the Michigan Public School Employees' major reforms to Michigan Granholm announced that the governor in January, and 17,063 school employees she signed school retirement

Retirement System were among the "The number of school government proposed by WINDOWS/SIDING DOORS/INSULATION/GUTTERS SAVE 50% OFF

> Ninety-five percent of schools across the state had employees retire. Of the 17,063 retirement applications filed, more than 10,000 came from the ranks of teachers and administrators. More than 14,000 applicants met the traditional age and service

17,000 have filed for retirement reform legislation into law the state's Office on May 19.

> Calculations (ORS) as a result of school the State Budget Office retirement estimate that the school retirement reforms will produce first-year savings of \$515 million for school districts across Michigan.

> > retirements is more than triple what we typically see in a given summer," Granholm said. "The school retirement reforms are working as we intended: helping resolve the longterm structural imbalance in the School Aid Fund so we can properly fund education creating thousands of job opportunities for teachers just entering the profession."

Gold medals for YMCA Tae Kwon Do student



Remington Phillips, 11, of Lowell, demonstrated form (a pattern of kicking and punching techniques) and one step sparring (self-defense techniques against an opponent) at the Meijer's Michigan State game on Saturday, June 26 at Cornerstone College. With only five months of hard work and determination under her vellow belt, Phillips walked away with gold medals in both events

Among the many highlights of the martial arts tournament was a demonstration by Lowell's world champion martial artist Mariah Moore.





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financial focus

Financial moves for non-retiring Baby Boomers

Christopher C. Godbold

wide variety of activities - possibly even including a as much as possible. new career. And you, too, may now have some choices about how to spend your time. Should you stay at your current job? Should you retire altogether and travel or pursue hobbies? Or should you "retire" and then start a new job, do some consulting or even open your own business? While you may have choices on how to draw an income, you'll also have some key issues to consider.

For starters, think about how your earnings might affect one source of retirement income: Social Security. As an early wave baby boomer, your "full retirement age," you are younger than full retirement age during all of 2010, you will lose \$1 from your benefits for each \$2 you earn above \$14,160. But if you reach your full retirement behalf. age during 2010, you'll lose \$1 from your benefits for that age. (Keep in mind that these figures are for 2010 only; for changes in 2011 and succeeding years, you'll want to check with the Social Security Administration.) Once you reach full retirement age, you can keep all your benefits, no matter how much you earn.

Deciding what to do about Social Security isn't the only move you need to make if you work during your "normal" retirement years. You'll also want to contribute as much as possible to your IRA, 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan. During these years, with your children grown and your mortgage possibly paid, you may have more investable income available — so take advantage of the opportunity.

You'll also need to carefully review your portfolio to help ensure your investment mix is appropriate for your needs. To stay ahead of inflation, you'll still need If you're in one of the early waves of baby boomers, to invest for growth, but since you're not that far from you may know some retirees who are now enjoying a retirement, you'll also want to control risk and volatility

Furthermore, you're at the time of life when you forth when you chew, talk, or yawn. may want to consider consolidating your investment and retirement accounts. If you have an IRA here, a 401(k) there and another account someplace else, you have a lot the joint. Grinding your teeth during sleep also induces of paperwork to keep track of, both during the year and, especially, at tax time. But even more importantly, with all your accounts scattered, you might not be following one central, unifying investment approach — an approach that could help make it easier for you to pursue your long-term goals, including a comfortable retirement. from a Social Security standpoint, will be around 66. If By consolidating your accounts with one company, you can save time and possibly reduce administrative fees - while your accounts can work in harmony on your

This may be a good time to consult with a professional each \$3 you earn above \$37,680 until the month you reach financial advisor — someone who can help you make may help. those choices that can help provide you with the freedom to spend this next phase of your life doing as you please. After all, you've earned it.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

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



Temporomandibular joint (TMJ) pain

The TMJ connects the upper and lower jaw bones. This joint allows the jaw to open wide and move back and

There are many causes of TMJ pain. Repeated chewing (ie. with gum) and clenching your teeth can cause pain in pain. Some TMJ problems have no obvious cause.

get better. When you have pain: Eat soft foods and stay away from chewy foods.

There are many things you can do to help your pain

- Try to use both sides of your mouth to chew.
- Don't chew gum.
- Don't open your mouth wide.
- Don't bite your cheeks or fingernails.
- Lower your stress and worry levels exercise works well for this.
- Over-the-counter medicines Tylenol or Motrin

If these measures don't help, consultation with your dentist may help. Perhaps a bite splint to wear during sleep may help.



125 Years Ago The Lowell Journal July 8, 1885

Mr. Merriman, the expressman, is suffering with erysipelas in his face.

Murphy, the butcher, bought a calf six-weeks-old that weighed 188 lbs.

For sometime a dispute has been going on between the townships of Ada, Bowne and Lowell as to which township shall support Mrs. Mary Younglove, a pauper who has been supported by each of the above townships at intervals for a long time. The matter was submitted to the county superintendents of the poor who decided that she belonged to Ada.

> 100 Years Ago The Lowell Ledger July 7, 1910

Fire destroyed the large barn and other buildings,

except the house, on the farm of King Rickert in Keene at 11:30 a.m. July 1. The loss is a heavy one including a large amount of personal property, wagons, binder, bean-puller, hay and grain.

75 Years Ago The Lowell Ledger and Alto Solo July 11, 1935

You can get windshield stickers for advertising the Lowell Showboat at any one of the drug stores or at The Ledger office.

Signs reading "No U Turns" are now in place at the intersection of Main and Lafayette streets.

The situation at the oil well remains about the same Workmen are drilling through solid rock at a depth of about 2650 feet.

50 Years Ago The Lowell Ledger July 7, 1960

Thursday, July 21, has been set as the day for the Lowell fire department to get out the hoses and wash down Main Street in preparation for Showboat. The dirt piled high along the curb will be trucked away before the final cleanup.

The council met Tuesday evening and it was revealed that they are still looking for a city manager.

Two offers have been made to men who have turned down the job, so the council is still seeking a man to take the position.

25 Years Ago The Grand Valley Ledger July 10, 1985

Well this is it, "Macker Week." Depending on how you feel about "Macker," it's time to either get out your

sneakers or hitch up the camper and get out of town. This year's Macker, the twelfth annual, promises to be bigger and better than ever with well over 600 teams competing; Scott "Gus Macker" McNeal's wedding and a controversial Sports Illustrated article all combine to enhance the annual (pardon the pun) "Hoopla."

The July 8 issue of Sports Illustrated carried a 12page story complete with 17 color pictures from last year's tournament. The article was mostly positive and will go a long way in promoting Macker basketball. However, some of the quotes and innuendos contained in the article have upset several neighbors and city

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college news

Calvin College has announced its spring 2010 freshman, Dean's List. To earn a spot on the Dean's List required that the following students maintained at least a 3.3 grade point average for the Thomas and Julie Baker; academic year.

Alexander C. Boelkins, senior, engineer-mechanical concentration, son of Chuck and Christine Boelkins;

Gregory G. Bylsma. high school student, son of Richard and Bly Bylsma

Meghan E. Eames, minors, daughter of Bob and Sue Eames:

Joshua A. Epperly, freshman, international dev. studies, son of Michael and Betty Epperly;

Alissa M. Goudswaard, Salcedo; senior, English, daughter Arie Goudswaard:

Tessa J. Groenhout, sophomore, English Spanish, daughter of Todd and Ruth Groenhout;

Lukas R. Leisman, senior, physics, son of Ross and Sheri Leisman

French, son of Robert and and Cheryl Malling; Elaine Meredith

and Roberta Nelson;

Nichole M. Smith. junior, psychology, daughter of Doug and Rev. Kathy

Emily C. Westmaas, undecided, daughter of Joel and Loralee Westmaas; all of Ada.

Katherine M. Baker. junior, English, daughter

Matthew S. Draft, PB. post-bac, secondary cert, and post-degree religion, son of Steven and Ellyn Draft;

Jonathon Klanderman, senior, social science group, son of Tom and Sandra Klanderman; Rebecca L. Schmidt,

senior, English and classical studies, daughter of Dr. Gary and Anne Schmidt; all of

Brubaker, transaction. sophomore. daughter of Daniel Brubaker and Tamara Brubaker-

Chad T. Drenth, senior, Grace elementary ed-three minors, son of Thomas and Carol Drenth

> E. Gerig, senior, engineer-chemical concentration, daughter of Stanley and Cindy Gerig:

Kelly N. Malling. senior, elementary ed-three Joel R. Meredith, senior, minors, daughter of Curtis

Brook M. VanEck. Carla L. Nelson, senior, senior, special ed-cognitive Spanish, daughter of Thomas John and Diane VanEck; all of Lowell.

Be aware of your rights when buying or selling a car

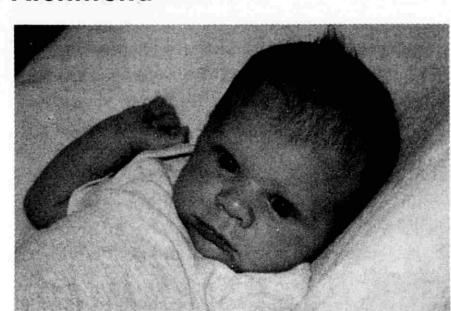
Secretary of State Terri vehicle buyers and sellers to be aware of their rights remember key tips when making a deal.

when purchasing a vehicle, you should know what to look for and what state law requires before making a final decision," said Land. "I urge you to visit the Secretary of State Web site for helpful information before completing your

The Secretary of State's Office licenses and regulates auto dealers and repair shops. It also informs consumers of their rights and investigates related complaints. Its Web site at www.Michigan.gov/ sos has several brochures that offer tips for buying or leasing vehicles, as well as doing business with an established dealer or a private individual

Before buying a used vehicle Land recommends:

 Test driving and having it inspected by an independent licensed



Anthony James Richmond

Mark and Sherry Richmond of Lowell are excited to 10, 2010. Anthony was 9 lbs. 5 oz. and 20 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Jerry Richmond, Ron and Rose

new arrivals

Richmond

announce the birth of Anthony James. He arrived on June He is welcomed home by his brother and sisters, Brice, Mallorie, Grace, Mya and Sophie.

Thomet, and Lee Hildenbrand, all of Lowell.

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Where oh where will Lebron go?

There's a part of me that is so tired of the story that I don't really care.

this, I'm writing the column Jersey, or Los Angeles on Friday, that may have (Clippers)? already been determined.

only topic of conversation on sports talk radio.

interesting nuggets from this Lebron James' lottery.

The mega NBA free ways. agents, Lebron, Dwayne Wade, Chris Bosh, Joe the second tier free agent, Johnson, Dirk Nowitzki, is the consolation prize seeking maximum contracts going home empty-handed, under what's currently someone may pay him the allowed.

What is that? The current NBA agreement allows for a then all of this speculation maximum contract of \$120 million.

If all six players sign max contracts, the sum averted further damaging total would be \$720 million dollars.

That's greenbacks!

divorce settlement.

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I believe that comes out to about \$600,000 per um, um, um..... yeah that!

So is Lebron's team of choice Cleveland, Chicago, By the time you read Miami, New York, New I think he will stay in

It is pretty much the Cleveland. I also think that Dwayne Wade will stay in Miami. Nowitzki will stay I have, however, some in Dallas and Johnson will stay in Atlanta. Stoudemire, Phoenix, I think will depart

> Carlos Boozer, Utah, max contract.

If that all holds true, and hype will have brought about what?

Well, it will have the Cleveland pro sport physche.

My father and millions However, it is \$30 to Cleveland as the mistake million less than what on the lake. A lot has Tiger Woods will pay in his changed in Cleveland since that moniker came to life

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Cleveland is the city which suffered through its football owner (Art Modell) moving the team to Baltimore in the 1990's.

I read in the Cleveland Plain Dealer that Lebron's departure from Cleveland could have a bigger economic impact!

If he stays, the Cavaliers may deliver Cleveland its first pro championship since

If he departs, I agree with David Letterman, it would rip the heart right out of the home of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

The disdain for him in Cleveland would grow to Modell-like heights. I recently heard there are factions in Cleveland who will throw parties when Modell dies.

Cleveland is first and foremost a football town, so I don't know that the hate Amare Stoudemire, are all in all of this. Instead of for Lebron would grow to that level. One thing is for sure, his return visits would not be pleasant. One final note, if Lebron

does leave Cleveland the economic impact on the city he calls his basketball home would be astronomical.

It is estimated that if he goes to Chicago, New York, and to a lesser degree Miami, it would mean \$2-\$3 of others for years referred billion dollars to that city's economy over a five-year

All of this for a "king."

Murray Lake third graders ship art supplies to Africa

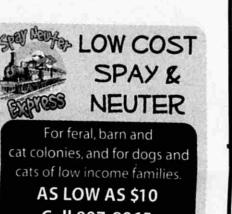
grade students in Diane how to think creatively Titche's class began when it comes to solving At the beginning of May video conferencing with a problems. The Murray Lake the third graders packed up United States Peace Corp third graders learned that four large boxes of pencils. volunteer using Skype in many Senegalese people January. Through their live with problems ranging colored pencils, markers, conversations from leaving a broken oven with the volunteer, who in their kitchen because they and paper and shipped is currently serving in don't know what else to the country of Senegal in do with it, to living under supplies are being used by West Africa, the students a dishonest government learned a great deal that does not have the best and a Senegalese artist about life in Senegal and interest of the Senegalese to conduct workshops at about the similarities and people at heart. lives of children there and

the lives of children here. children learned is that to spearhead a school wide of Senegalese students most students in Senegal collection of art supplies to rarely, if ever, get to use art send to Senegal. They wrote of six planned workshops. supplies and be creative. an announcement to read to Gavin Coxon, a student in Many adults in Senegal the school in the morning, Titche's class, commented have never even seen a made up a flyer to send home after seeing the pictures crayon or colored pencil to parents, made posters to before. One result of the hang around the school, and lack of learning to be wrote a speech which they because we helped kids creative as children is that delivered in pairs to every there learn to be creative."

The students decided they wanted to do something about this problem. They One of the things the worked together as a class

Murray Lake third they grow up not knowing classroom in the school. Their efforts paid off

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Walking the red carpet to the Grand Theatre Lumiere at the Cannes Film Festival to see a premiere of an African movie "A Screaming Man," after a long wait for the invitation, is not a regular social occasion.

No wedding, funeral, a reunion or a newborn baby will beat it.

You have to be dressed up to the nines, that means for men a black tie and a tuxedo and for women a nice dress and high heel shoes. Still, not everyone gets to go. Either you have to have an invitation from the producers of the movie, or you are in the lottery for the tickets, or you stand in the last minute line.

But, if you do get to go, you will never forget it. You are guarded by the police, surrounded by Renault limousines that haul the movie makers



in, while spectators and paparazzi watch you, and TV networks' staff stand on ladders to get footage of the walk on the carpet.

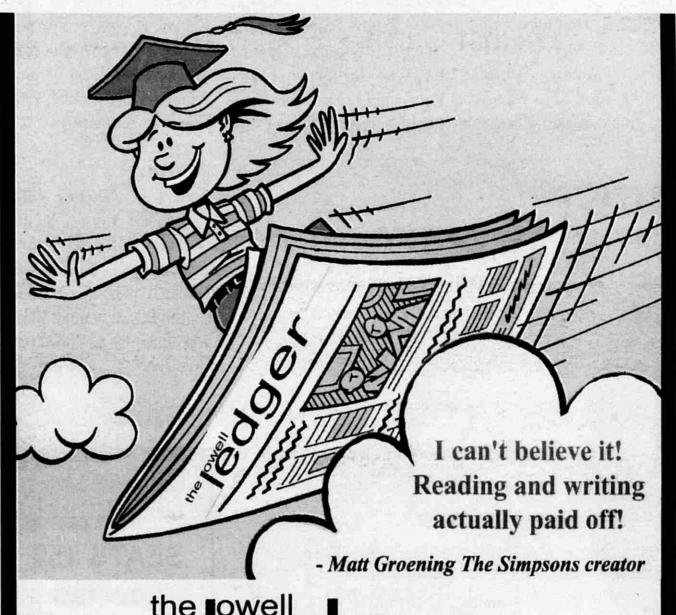
You walk the Boulevard Croissette to the theater under the palms as the symphony plays the music. And Electrolux sponsors the big screens outdoors where you can see yourself as you are entering the theater. The theater seats 2,500 and has an opera style

seating for acoustic purposes. The creators of the productions walk in last to the audience's applause. You can see them on the big screen as they enter.

Then the magic golden palm branch logo appears on the big screen and you are in for a treat.

In the movie Biutiful by Mexican director Alejandro Gonzales Inarritu, Javier Bardem plays Uxbal. It is a

Actor Javier Bardem and director Alejandro Inarritu stand on the red carpet in front of Grand Theatre Lumiere in the French Riviera.



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The creators of the films stand on the steps after walking the red carpet.

story about a devoted father, a tormented lover, a mystified son, an underground businessman, and a friend of the disposed.

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The Tale of the Troll, Part XIII

Oh my goodness! What perfectly, messed up, out of control week the trolls just completed! Hairy-i has been meeting with the police officers all week trying to solve the mystery of who tampered with her beauty products. Gertrude is actually enjoying a little time off from Alliance Insurance as she tries regrow her hair. Iris has decided she loves the attention her new fuchsia hair color is bringing

her. All in all, it could be Of course, every troll has an opinion about who was behind all the tomfoolery at the salon. Most ingers have been pointing o the downright devious troll they all call Butch! Now Butch is a very, very nardworking troll and that s why Gary, Aaron, Chad and Jody invited him into their workplace to live in the first place. They all especially wanted Butch around during the summer months when folks would be flocking to Gary's Meats for all their summertime grilling needs. The quality of their choice steaks, burgers, chicken-and chops just can't be beat and having a troll when he voiced the opinion many questions. around who was willing to

get his hands dirty and help with all the work appealed to everyone at Gary's! What Hyde were heading out to they didn't know when they Bernard's Ace Hardware took Butch in was just how for like the millionth time downright naughty he could when they both did a huge be. This author can attest to double take at a troll lady the fact that there is no place with neon fuchsia hair better to stock up on all one's strolling down the sidewalk meat products (I happen to be followed by an impish there once or twice a week!) but I can also tell you that I Sparkle was decked out in have seen Butch, and well, everything pink. Sparkle my money is on him that he works at Gilda's Club of all the chaos at Salon 206!

was the mastermind behind Now Butch has a few into everyone's life. Sparkle loyal friends that enjoy a was desperately trying to prank as well as the next guy catch up with Ms. Iris to and they swear that Butch learn where she got the is not guilty. Nauga Hyde fabulous color for her hair totally backs his buddy Butch Butch and Nauga Hyde both and says the two have been chuckled and continued on so gosh-dang busy muck- their way to Bernard's Ace running and cruising around Hardware. in Nauga's tricked out El-Camaro that Butch could find out if the mystery of not possibly have had time Salon 206 ever gets solved. to pull any pranks. Nauga Find out why Mrs. Troll Hyde loves fixing up cars was screaming about stolen and he spends all his time blueprints last week. (We at LA Trim where he more haven't even touched or or less tries to run the show. that subject yet.) Learn why Nauga Hyde is great at what Butch and Nauga spend so he does and he has a certain much time at Bernard's charm about him that attracts Ace Hardware. Discover

little troll. The little troll Lowell and she does her best to bring joy and laughter

that Butch was innocent.

Butch and Nauga

Tune in next week to all the trolls. He kind of lives if Iris is on to a new craze on the edge himself, but he of full-fuchsia hair and wil never, ever crosses that line Sparkle dye hers? So much so many trolls believed him unfinished business, so

Bridge buck winners

Tamara Brubaker; \$20 winners are: Amy Cande, Nancy Dood, Bill Dommer, Laurie Blough and Kris Rickert; and \$10 winners are: Carol Chamberlin, Norma Noall, Alexis French, Ruth Thurlo, and Bonnie Nyman.



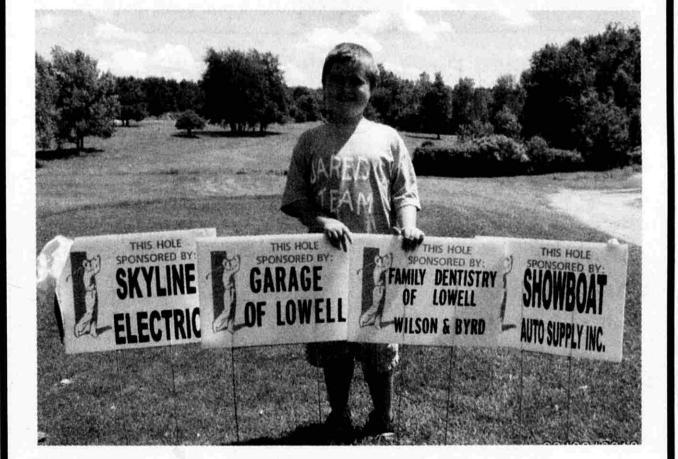


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obituaries

BRUINEKOOL

Elliot Lamont "El" Bruinekool, 82, of Bellevue, died June 30, 2010 at Battle Creek Health System. He was born October 16, 1927, the son of Arthur and Augusta (Arthur) Bruinekool. Elliot graduated from Lowell High School and attended Hope College. He worked as a track supervisor for Grand Truck Railroad for 40 years, retiring in 1987. Elliot is survived by his wife, Evelyn (DeVormer) Bruinekool of Bellevue; their ten children, 22 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren, three sisters and two brothers. He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers. Funeral services took place Monday, July 5, 2010 at The Community Church, RCA Ministry in Ada with Rev. Julie VanDerVeen Van Til officiating. Interment, Ada Cemetery. Memorial donations may go to Shriners Hospitals for Children. The family is being served by Shaw Funeral Home, Lehman Chapel, Bellevue.

DRAKE

Ruth Elizabeth Drake, aged 87, of Ionia, passed away July 3, 2010. She was born December 16, 1922 in



Ionia, the daughter of Michael J. and Anna M. (Hacker) Dreger. She married Richard S. Drake September 30, 1942 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Ionia. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church all of her life. She was very serious in her faith. She worked as a bank teller at Ionia County National Bank for over 20 years. She enjoyed golfing. Ruth is survived by her loving husband of 67 years, Richard Drake of Ionia: sons. Douglas (Judith) Drake of Lansing, Brian (Patricia) Drake of Lowell; brother, William (Betty Mohieu) Dreger of Kalamazoo; grandchildren, Timothy, Kerri Lynn, Benjamin (Rachel), Matthew, Daniel (Sally) and Jeffrey (Linda); five great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by three brothers, Charles (Carl), Wilbur (Bud) and Herman; four sisters, Josephine Mathe, Elenora Teichmann, Minnie Kobel, and Anna Browning. Funeral services will be held Thursday, July 8 at 11 a.m. at the St. John's Lutheran Church with Pastor David Bogda officiating. Visitation will be at the Lake Funeral Home in Ionia on Wednesday 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Anyone wishing may make memorial contributions to St. John's Lutheran Church. Online condolences may be made at www.lakefuneralhomes.com

KONING

Rhyne Koning, aged 80, of Alto, went to be with his Lord on Friday, July 2, 2010. Rhyne was a residential builder for many years and enjoyed woodworking. He also enjoyed volunteering at Bibles for Missions Thrift Center for the past 10 years. He was preceded in death by his wife, Nell (Draisma); a brother, Henry Koning; and a sister, Jeanette Bosscher. Surviving are his wife, Joyce (Geelhoed); his children, Renee (John) VanderWilp, Ed (Kim) Koning, Ruth (Ron) Koning, Carol (Steve) Mayne, Mary (Scott) Froehlke; his stepchildren, Barb (Rick) Lutke, Sandy (Tom) Groen, Ken (Sherri) Meines, Doug (Jill) Meines; 21 grandchildren; 10 step-grandchildren; five great grandchildren and three more due this year; his sisters, Tryn Schettler, Harriet Bouw, Henrietta (Harry) Kwantes; his brothersin-law and sisters-in-law, Al Bosscher, Myrna Koning, Wilma Draisma, Sadie (Jim) Koldenhoven, Tom (Marilynn) Draisma, Don (Betty) Geelhoed, Ken (Kathy) NE, Grand Rapids 49503. Geelhoed; many nephews and nieces. The funeral

service will be held 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 7, at Trinity United Reformed Church, 7350 Kalamazoo Ave. SE, with Rev. Brian Vos officiating. Interment in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. Memorial contributions may be made to Bibles for Missions Thrift Center or Polycystic Kidney Disease (PKD) Foundation.

SCHUIVENS

Beth Suzanne Schuivens nee Van Heulen of Lowell. died of accidental injuries Wednesday, June 30,2010. She was preceded in death by her dear friend and sisterin-law, Sandy VanHeulen. Surviving are her husband of 29 years, Jerry Schuivens; her loving daughters, Kayla Schuivens (Ryan Strasser) and Megan Schuivens (Brett Laux); mother, Connie Phillips, father, Thomas VanHeulen; mother and father-in-law, Gerard and

Schuivens: Lori VanHeulen, Bill (Linda) Van Heulen Diane (Scott) Struyt, Jim (Lorie VanHeulen, Scott VanHeulen, Sheila (José) Sandoval (Nina Matthew Mark Phillips: sister-in-law Catherine (Evert) Bek; special niece



Kimberly Bek (Steve Simon); step brothers and sisters. Mary (Bob) Decker, Barbara (Jim) Looman, Patty (Mike Smit) Livingston, Jim (Penny Grover) Phillips, Tonya Gorby; also many nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be 1:30 PM Wednesday, July 7, 2010 at First Congregational Church of Lowell, 865 Lincoln Lake SE, Lowell with Rev. Chris Schwab officiating. Interment Oakwood Cemetery. Visitation one hour prior to service at church. Memorial contributions may be made to D.A. Blodgett for Children, 805 Leonard St.

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RECEIPTS:

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\$545,182.87

DISBURSEMENTS:

Rent (1032) families assisted	\$229,803.00
Utilities (1334) families assisted	223,720.42
Medical Expenses (153) families assisted	18,526.42
Repairs (57) families assisted	10,694.96
Vouchers - Boot & Shoe (102) families assiste	ed 6,364.51
Car Payments (30) families assisted	5,511.53
Property Taxes (15) families assisted	4,925.57
Habitat For Humanity	4,000.00
Car Insurance (27) families assisted	3,840.38
Food (2 Food Banks assisted)	800.00
Education (2) families assisted	642.85
Gasoline - Auto (15) families assisted	464.34
Transportation - GRATA tickets (1) family ass	isted 25.00
Misc. Expenses	10,612.45

Total Disbursements \$519,931.43 Balance on hand 6-1-10 25,251.44

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

PROBATE COURT

COUNTY OF KENT

Estate of MARGARET A. NERN, Date of birth: 01/08/1927.

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: decedent, MARGARET A. NERN.

who lived at 3121 Lake the Michigan Dr., Apt. 142, Grand Rapids, Michigan. died 02/21/2010.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims FILE NO. 10-188-732-DE against the estate will presented to THOMAS 410 Bridge St., NW NERN, named personal representative 616-774-4001 or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 180 Ottawa Avenue NW, Suite 2500, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 and

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Grand Rapids, MI 49504

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lost

NOT FOUND YET - STILL HOPING-Still hoping to find an ALL black, long-haired, male cat named BLACKIE. VANISHED 10-28-09 from Ryan Ridge SE/Alden Nash Area, S. of Lowell. He has a "feather duster" tail & BRIGHT light round yellow eyes. Age 2 1/2 years old now. If you have ANY INFO please call 897-8385. REWARD. Thanks for your caring calls.

found

FOUND BEAGLE - Found June 18, by Burger King. Older female. Call & identify. 616-308-4776.

free

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FAMILY VIDEO OPEN INTERVIEWS - for both Lowell & Ionia locations, July 8, 12 p.m. - 7 p.m. at Ionia Family Video, 488 S. Dexter, 616-527-2992 Hiring managers, assistant managers, full time & part time employees.

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Carrol Kelly & family

card of thanks

The family of **IVAN K BLOUGH** would like to thank the entire community and beyond for their outpouring of love during this difficult time. The community's thoughts and support of caring are so much appreciated.

THANK YOU to all who remembered

our brother, Jim (Woody) Wood. Your kindness to his loving wife and family, to all his golf buddies & patrons on the highway, the Free Fair walkers & Woody's Rainbow customers and so many more - most important our Heavenly Father, God, who knows the heart of all His children and accepts our brother to His many mansions.

Woody's sister Winnie & family. We love you Dar Lin and will miss you and all your teddy bear hugs

TO THE CARING OF SO MANY

friends and relatives, our hearts were heavy, you came with many happy memories to help us along. This town and its businesses have opened their arms to us. The healing will take time, the greatest comfort is in Jesus Christ who died that we may live.

A big thank you from James "Woody" Wood's

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clothing/infant items. Lowell area.

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BINGO-Every Sunday, 2p.m. The Moose Rec Hall, 1320 E. Main St. Sponsored by W.O.T.M. Chapter #1388. Open to the public.

DIABETIC SUPPORT GROUP Meets 7 p.m. the first Tuesday Church, 11830 Drew Rd. (same as 64th), Alto, Just 3 1/3 miles E.

PLEASENOTE - Coming Events ST. MARY'S PREGNANCY EVERY THURSDAY - Free are for non-profit organizations. CRISIS CENTER- 402 Amity. souper supper at First Congregational United Church of Christ, 865 Lincoln Lake Ave SE at 6:30 p.m. Public welcome.

ST. PATRICK PLAYGROUP Thursdays 10 a.m. - 11:15 a.m St. Patrick's preschool room Stories, games, crafts, music & snack. Parents with young Post, 897-0251 or Sally Goffer 863-4952 with any questions.

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FOOD PANTRY - at Lake side Community Church, 620 Whitneyville Rd. Free frozen perishable food. First Friday Registration 2:30, distribution 4 p.m. Bring own container.

MOMS IN TOUCH INTERNA TIONAL - Thursdays 9 a.m - 10 a.m. at Friendship Country Chapel, 10200 Grand River Ave. Moms & grandmas come pray for our kids & schools Contact Missy at 308-7920 or jakooistra@comcast.net with

TEEN GROUP - CANCER AND GRIEF - First & third Tuesdays. 5:30 - 7 p.m. A committed group for teens in ninth - twelfth grade on a cancer or grief journey Incorporates curriculum-based activities & discussion. Gilda's of Marathon Station on M-50. For Club - Lowell Clubhouse, 314

Kid's Book

3/2

Raises Money for

Last summer, eight-year-old

Joshua Bayer wrote a book

about monsters. "M-M-M-

Monster!!!" was created to

raise money to help save the

The book was sold in local

the money went to animal

rescue organizations.

stores in his hometown. All of

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Know the sequence of events in a story.

lives of abandoned pets.

Animal Rescue

This is one way

to make a splash.

For puzzle answers, games, opinion polls

and much more go to: www.thelowellledger.com

AND CLICK ON KIDS SCOOP BUTTON

This is another way to make a splash.

CAR

WASH

for

Number these pictures in

the correct order.

Making a

Difference

Look through the

newspaper for an article

about someone making

a difference. Summarize

the article by listing the

following:

Standards Link: Reading:

Who:

What:

Where: _

Why:

How:

Find the words in the puzzle.

Then look for each word in this week's

Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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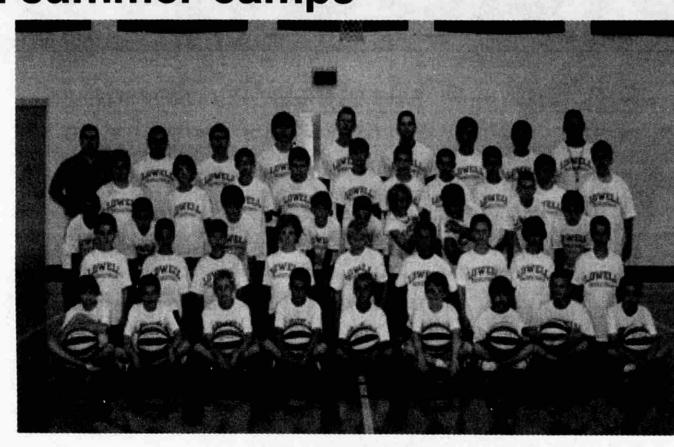
Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Fundamentals the focus of basketball summer camps

The annual Lowell basketball summer camps concluded last week with four-day sessions for firstand second-grade and for third- and fourth-grade -participants.

Camps were held for fifth- and sixth-grade and seventh- and eighth-grade players the week of June 21-25.

These camps focused basketball on fundamentals.



There were 65 Lowell players who participated in the summer camps held by Lowell varsity basketball coach Jeff McDonald.

Pictured are the sixth, seventh and eighth grade participants.



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

When submitting your opinion to Sound Off!, we ask you to follow a few guidelines.

Sound Off! is meant to be a way for you to compliment or vent your feelings with civility. A healthy way to get something off your chest or spread a little kindness.

We welcome your comments, with or without signatures. but signing your name to your comment does increase the odds of seeing it in print.

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So basically, submit anything but not everything will make it to print.

The Ledger reserves the right to choose what is printed, and reminds the public that views expressed in Sound Off!, unless otherwise stated, are not the opinions of the The Ledger staff or its publishers.

Let me be among the first to say thank you, thank you, thank you, for fixing Bowes Road. I Love It!

All these years Woody has watched all of us going by at the expressway. It seems strange not to see him at his post. We will miss you Woody.

Sign by RR tracks on Hudson. What part of "Do not stop on tracks" don't people understand?

We will all miss Woody and Ivan in this community.



JUNE 30 to JULY 6

- A 178-foot long U.S. Navy blimp will be used to detect oil, direct skimming ships and look for wildlife that may be threatened by the disaster in the Gulf.
- A justice department lawsuit challenging Arizona's controversial immigration law is looming and it could be filed as soon as today.
- A memorial pool nears completion at Ground Zero in New York City.
- · State and local government in the U.S. are slashing thousands of jobs; total job losses could hit



Craft Sales to Help an Orphanage Neha Gupta, a 13-year-old from

Making a splash has two different meanings. One is to actually splash water

and make the droplets fly.

The other is an idiom, to make a splash,

something significant.

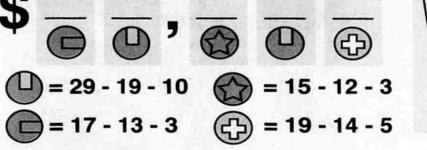
which means to get attention and do

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Pennsylvania, started when she was just nine years old. Since then, her non-profit has raised \$30,000 for orphans in India thanks to Gupta's fundraising activities: selling handmade greeting cards and wine charms.

Use the math code.

Neha's 2010 fundraising goal is:



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and doesn't like global warming. I am not old enough to solve the problem. But I am old enough to convince others to try by having school children from Africa, South America, Europe, Asia and North America sing my 100 Generations song with me. That way, the world can hear that children everywhere care about nature.

I am a 12-year-old boy who likes music

A Song to Save

the Planet

by Aitan Grossman

You can be a part of this project by singing the song, sharing videos of kids around the world singing it and even by buying the song.

You can learn more at: www.kidearth.us/Site/kidearth.html

On the

Making a

problem

Draw a line between each idiom and its two meanings.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Understand and identify idioms and figures of speech.

Add fuel to

the fire.

A real

crack up.

Read about young difference-makers, the work

they've done and the changes they have been

able to accomplish. Check it out at:

www.kidscoop.com/kids.

Somethin

1+1=2

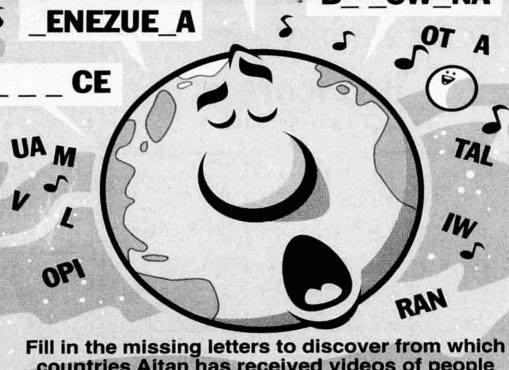
2+2=4

Deciding

between

two things.

Kid Scoop Puzzler



countries Aitan has received videos of people singing his song. (Use the floating letters.)

ORPHANAGE

ATTENTION

MONSTERS

SPLATTER

PROBLEM

RESCUE

PLANET

SPLASH

IDIOMS

WATER

RAISE

MUSIC

SOLD

PETS

OLD

Kid Scoop Together: **Missing Words** Read through this article. Then

working with a parent or friend, fill in the blanks using the words in the word box.

Reading the **Newspaper Leads to** Making a Difference

It all started when eight-

year-old Stephanie Cohen read an article about an manatee. After reading the

Stephanie wanted to do something to

She started by making manatee pins and selling them to family and friends money for the animals and to increase public of them.

In June of 2000, Stephanie and her

started a non-profit organization called Kids Making a Difference.

Today, Kids Making a **Difference** is run by kids and for kids, bringing youth to have

a positive on the world. Through the organization, kids are supporting kids with and materials to

help their communities. These kids have started city street programs, collected items for homeless pets, lead

fundraising efforts for the

endangered wildlife and

WORD BOX **AWARENESS** TOGETHER CLEANUP ARTICLE INJURED **FRIENDS** PRESERVATION RAISE INFLUENCE

Kid Scoo-doku

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

> SPLASH SH

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS This week's word: SIGNIFICANT

The word significant means something very important or major.

> Significant improvement was needed to raise Kevin's grades.

Try to use the word significant in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

Idiom Time

A piece of

cake.

Very

funny

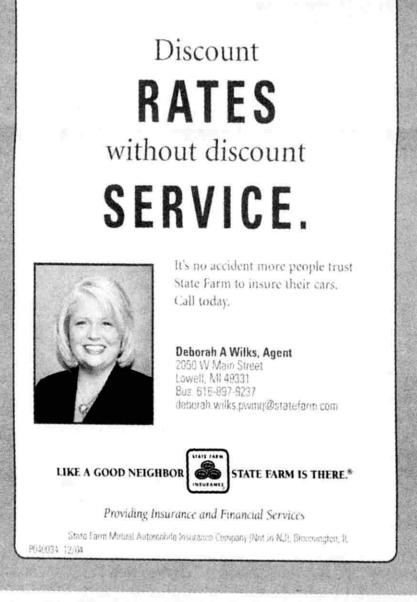
To "make a splash" is an idiom—a phrase that has a different meaning than the literal meaning of the words. Look through today's newspaper to find at least one idiom.

Standards Link: Launguage Arts: Recognize idioms and figures of speech in written text.



Write On! **How I Made** a Difference

Tell about a time you made a difference in someone's life. Be sure to include who, what, where when, why and how.











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FROM Food Fight ends Saturday

submitted by Rick Seese

There are rivalries and then there are RIVALRIES, as in North Lowell vs. South Lowell. It appears that the 2010 Flat River Outreach Ministries Food Fight is going to be decided on the last day, as it was last year. "It's been exciting and unbelievably close," proclaimed Mary Novello, FROM's executive director. "Every time we turn around, there's more food to be counted and to be placed on our pantry shelves. It's been a wonderful bonus because this time of year donations are traditionally slower," she continued. During last year's inaugural Food Fight competition, the Lowell community raised 8,496 non-perishable food items for the FROM Food Pantry. Through this past Sunday, the 2010 competition has raised 10,445 items. "This is an amazing community," stated Kraig Haybarker, FROM's boardchair. "The people of Lowell are very generous and the friendly competition gets everyone involved," he added.

Last year found the South Lowell team ahead nearing the game completion, when there

was a sudden North team surge in the final days. The North team ended up winning by only 88 food items on the final day during the FROM the Heart Riverwalk Parade. This year finds the North team leading the South team by a score of 5,227 to 5,218, a mere nine food item difference with less than a week remaining in the game.

This year, the South team jumped out to a sizable lead after the first quarter, 1.685 to 1.187. However, the North battled back with a big second quarter, but the South still led by six, 2,972 to 2,966 at halftime. The third quarter was a seesaw battle with the South extending their lead to eight, 4,634 to 4,626. Neither team has led by more than 134 items since the second quarter and there have been a total of nine lead changes in the game.

Food has been picked up regularly from businesses, so that daily highlights and an updated score can be posted on the website, www.fromfoodfight.org. There have been over 60 businesses, churches and organizations that have collected food donations so far this year.

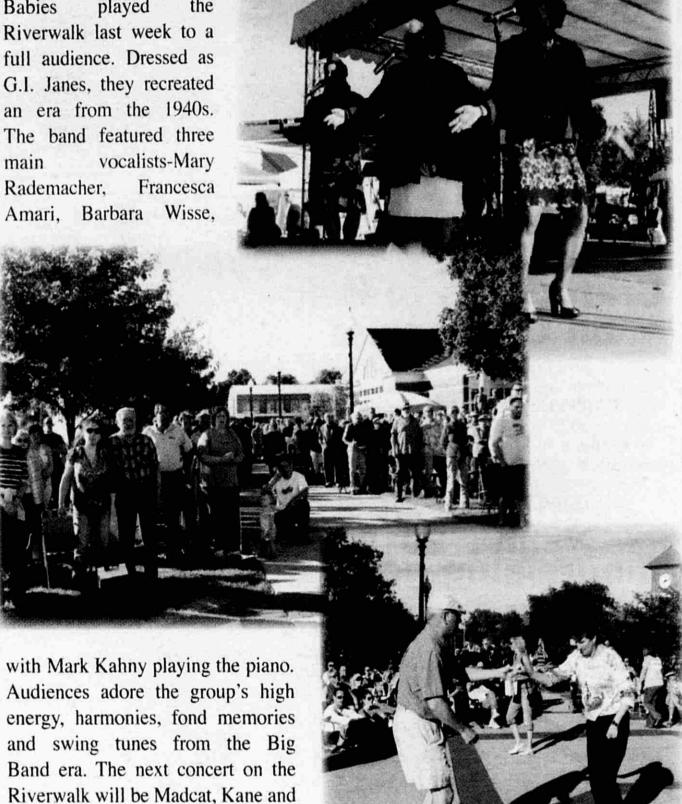
For those that are still wanting to donate food items, they are encouraged to either patronize one of the many businesses offering Food Fight Specials; find donation containers during activities on the Riverwalk; and/or attend the FROM the Heart Riverwalk Parade this Saturday at noon. Large red (North team) and white (South team) Food Fight containers will line the parade route for last minute donations. There will also be FROM clowns walking in the parade collecting food and local dealership collection trucks in the parade and at the beginning of the parade collecting "food" entry fees. Everyone is encouraged to place their food donations in the parade route containers before the parade is over. The final outcome will be posted on www.fromfoodfight. org; the FROM Facebook page, and announced at the Saturday afternoon concert

"Looks like another great Food Fight finish on Saturday," said Haybarker. "There is one thing for certain, no matter who wins the contest, our Food Pantry is already the big winner," he added.

at the fairgrounds.

Boogie Woogie Babies play the Riverwalk

The Boogie Woogie played Babies the vocalists-Mary Francesca Barbara Wisse,



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Maxwell Street on July 8.

Through Thursday, July 1

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North	1,187	1,779	1,660	102	4,728
South	1,685	1,287	1,662	162	4,796

LAST WEEK!

GAME ENDS ON JULY 10 AFTER THE "FROM THE HEART" RIVERWALK PARADE

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For up to date scoring, pictures and stories



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