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Fair time in Lowell - a family affair after long weeks of work by Emma Palova

The fair is coming. That magical time at the height of summer when everything is just right in the middle. The 76th Kent County Youth Fair with a "Green and Growing" theme is well on its way for this Sunday's kick-off.

the During final countdown days to the fair, it gets pretty hectic around the fairgrounds. Everyone has a job to do from getting ready the stalls and the barns for the incoming animals to painting and cleaning, and things, he is never nervous about the upcoming fair week.

"It does get hairy around here," he said.

Sporting a Kent County Youth Fair green and white cap, Wenger keeps his goodattitude natured and composure. He doesn't get all shook up by the constant stream of wheat trucks driving right behind his back or the Port-a-Potty man waiting to talk to Wenger.

"We're going to have

Fair manager Ron Wenger expects the best fair ever.

the community and the community supports us."

And the prep week together with the fair week mean 16-hour work days from dawn until everything Last Sunday, the Lafayette Tent and Awning

of Indiana set up all the tents for the fair. They've been doing it for the last 20 years and they're well known around the nation.

The vendors will start

For long time fair goer participant Cathy and Schumacher, the fair is definitely a family affair. She helps out her dad, Chris Wenger of Alto, set up stalls

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sprucing up. And even though fair manager Ron Wenger gets wound up in the whirl of

the best fair ever," Wenger is done. laughed, knowing that he says that every year. "We all work together. We support

Primary attracts many voters to determine the party candidates

This year's Aug. 3 primary attracted voters like Michael Lessens, who want to determine the party candidates for the November general election.

"I want to break down the number of people that I want elected in November," he said.

The city of Lowell was using the new electronic poll book instead of the old handwritten poll book to eliminate paperwork.

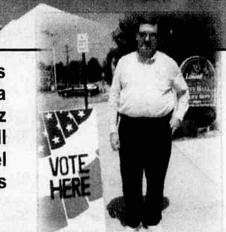
City clerk Betty Morlock said in many ways the primary is the election that really counts.

She expects a 25 percent turnout.

"It hasn't been overly "We're getting used to the busy, just steady," she said. new equipment.



workers Election Natalie Kent, Marea Borg and Mary Schmaltz using the electronic poll book. At right, Michael Lessens always votes for candidates.



Budget woes may force sheriff's department to close honor camp

In an effort to make cuts to its \$60 million budget, the Kent County Sheriff's Department may close the Honor Camp in Gowen. If the camp closes, 10 to 11 employees will be eliminated.

However, according to Kent County Sheriff Larry Stelma, the employees represented by a bargaining

"We will be meeting with employees this week," he

The potential closure of the camp will also impact 65 inmates who will go back to the Kent County Jail.

The closing of the camp, that started in the mid 60s, will save the sheriff's department \$890,000.

contract will have an because of finances," said part time employees.

great facility, but if there's no money to run it, there is no money to run it."

Stelma will make the ultimate decision and make announcement next an week. The budget is due to the Kent County Board of Commissioners in November when it gets finalized.

The sheriff's department "It only gets closed employs 650 full-time and

Tuesday and the carnival will set up Sunday.

coming up as soon as for Pepsi and Prince,

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All 10 LCTV grant applications approved by Lowell City Council

by Emma Palova

The city council Monday approved all 10 applications for the Lowell Cable TV (LCTV) fund monies totaling \$95,752.

The granted amount was still below the spending balance of \$228,718, which is placed in the Grand Rapids Community Foundation. The money from the sale of Cable TV created the LCTV fund. Annually the LCTV board approves applications from the community.

"The board felt that each would be in the spirit of the fund and the community," said city manager Dave Pasquale.

The council also approved the amendment to a resolution to move up the grant application process to start in February, with advertising in early March.

The applications will be due by mid April, with board review by the end of April. The grant selections will be in early to mid May and the city council selections the third week of May.

"The board believed this would allow projects to be completed in a timely manner, particularly those that involve construction," said Pasquale.

Councilwoman Maryalene LaPonsie suggested that grants be awarded twice a year.

But, that was turned down by mayor pro tem Sharon Ellison, who also sits on the LCTV board as the city representative.

"It's a small amount of money, not like the Englehardt fund," she said.

And all the granted applications address the needs in the community, according to Pasquale.

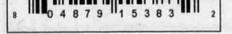
Following are the recipients:

City of Lowell for upgrading public street lighting received \$10,654.

Flat River Outreach Ministries for the purchase and installation of one HVAC unit received \$12,700.

Lowell Area Historical Museum for educational

Grant applications approved, continued, page, 2



option to rebid for different Stelma. "It's an effective,

said.





Kent District Library report shows increased usage

by Emma Palova

Cheryl Garrison, interim However, the revenues are by \$600,000. The state aid director of Kent District down by \$1 million. Library (KDL) gave an council Monday night. Garrison libraries in the system. to the housing market crisis, what we had in 2006."

annual report to the city funding is down," she said. \$120,000. The KDL is funded from reported the property taxes by 87 percent loss," she said. "The telecommunications

has gone down by \$160,000 loss in revenues, KDL has "The usage is up, but the and penal fines are down by eliminated eight positions,



Cheryl Garrison, interim director for KDL



Here's something to think about: How come you never see a headline like 'Psychic Wins Lottery'? Jay Leno (1950 -)



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To compensate for the installed a central answering "It's a total \$1 million service and renegotiated the increased usage of all the and these have declined, due revenues look more like contract. That resulted in a decrease of costs by \$700 a month while it also doubled the bandwidth.

> KDL has created a strategic plan to deal with the issues at hand.

"It fits well into what KDL is all about," said Garrison.

Garrison also explained the process of filling the vacancy at the Englehardt Library due to Jane Aronson's retirement. The position has been posted both internally and externally.

A team, including Chuck Myers who is on the KDL board, will interview a pool of candidates for the position.

"We have excellent candidates," she said.

Myers talked about the satisfaction that comes from paying tickets since a

to the libraries.

constant state of change," pool is good."

Chuck Myers, KDL board member

Grant applications approved

programs for children received \$2,255.

received \$18,443.

Lowell Charter bleacher project received \$7,000. \$4,000.

Lowell Music Boosters Visual for a contribution on behalf Enhancement of Lowell middle and high school music students between local government received \$2,000.

Lowell received \$1,200.

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portion of the penal fines go users of the Englehardt Library comes from the city "The library is in a of Lowell with 23,99 percent. The libraries also he said. "We could grow receive revenues from even more. The candidate various book sales. The books for these sales are The biggest number of donated.



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Fair time, continued

the horse drawn shuttle, he volunteered every year. along with 12 to 14 other draft horses, between the parking lot and the fair.

Mom Mary Wenger happen," he said. passed the fair tradition onto her daughter a few years ago. Mary's first fair was in 1950. She showed beef cattle for hoping that a lot of people 11 years at the fair.

Nowadays, quadriplegic, Mary doesn't go to the fair. She went to the last fair in 2000, but she tells how the fair is different from said. those old fairs.

dairy cattle exhibits, rides for the fair, those who can and the crowds," she said. take the crowds. The horses more projects for kids."

his mid 70s, has been going to the fair since 1947. His involvement with the fair included showing hogs, on Wednesday, Aug. 9, on about the same as last year. sitting on the fair board for the night of the horse pull. The fair is more than just 15 years and he was the He has usually celebrated

Percheron black draft horses. superintendent of the swine most of his birthdays during cows and horses, it's also the premiums of what they The team will be providing department. Other than that, the fair.

> gathering of families and local businesses like to see it

He's been driving the horse drawn shuttle for the last five to six years. Chris is people you haven't seen in will stay and do things close a to the home, such as going to the fair.

"It's a family gathering somewhat," she said. for the entire family," he

"There were lots more picked out the right horses "It's different today. It's a lot will be moving into the set up stalls in the first red and Chris Wenger, now in white tent off Bowes Road Sunday

> And dad Chris will celebrate his 75th birthday total of 4,000 exhibitors.

Schumacher has also sat "For me it's a real on the fair board of directors. She's looking forward to seeing friends at this year's fair that the family hasn't seen in years.

> "You get to see a lot of years," she said. "It's good family fun."

And what about Mary? "Yes, I miss the fair

Fair manager Ron Wenger hopes the fair this So, father and daughter year will do as well as last year.

> "We try to run a good, clean fair," he said. "We put in plenty of trees, so people can rest, relax and stay. We work hard to have clean bathrooms.

This year, the fair has a

arts, and judging In spite of the lack of funding from the state, the Thing. fair will still pay out half of



shuttle

City to regulate trash haulers and snowplow operators

by Emma Palova

the city trash pickup haulers and snowplow operators, the city council set a public night meeting. hearing for Aug. 16.

the hearing is to listen to input from the public and the haulers on the proposed amendment.

If approved, the amended ordinance would require the licensing of both solid waste haulers and snowplow operators.

give him power.

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Abraham Lincoln

City attorney Richard In an attempt to regulate Wendt explained the proposal to the council and the public at the Monday

Under the proposal, the The main purpose of haulers and plow operators of ordinances and put would be licensed by the together what's best of all of city and stickered for easier identification. They would also have to carry insurance and proof of ownership. The licensing fees are yet to be determined.

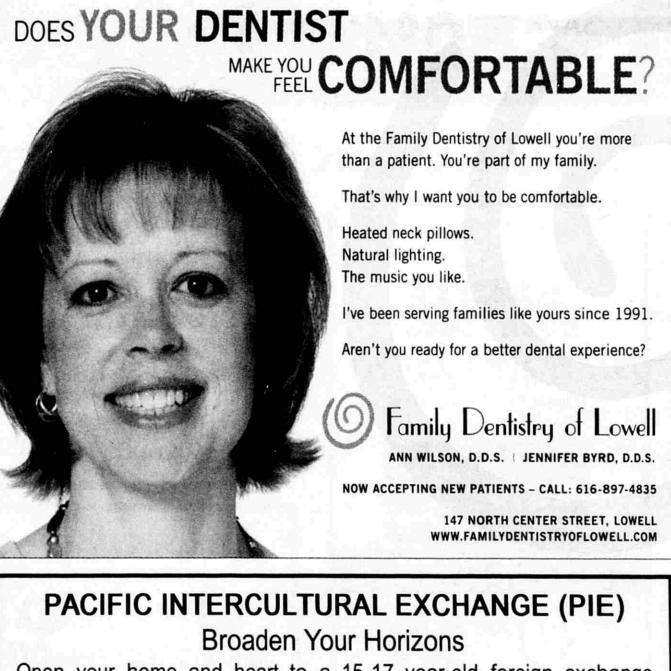
regulate and set the rules for transporting of trash, such as days and times when pick operate over up can occur.

them," said Wendt. "We want to keep it as straightforward as possible."

Snowplowers with any on-board operators will also

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he said.

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Cervical cancer is a dis- decreased since the introduction of pap smear testing. A pap smear is a test that

the cervix. These cells are tinue having yearly pap increase the risk of a woman checked for signs that they're smears until they've had at developing cervical cancer. changing from normal. A pap smear can show if these cells are going through changes long before they turn into cancer. Cervical cancer is not life. There may be instances cancer. HPV is highly con- of contracting HPV. There life-threatening if it's caught early. Often these early or pre-cancerous changes can be treated and cured. This is at higher risk. why it is important to have regular pap smears.

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should start having pap

least three normal ones. After Human Papilloma Virus tal warts, while others may this, they should have one at (HPV) is a sexually transmit- cause precancerous changes least every two or three years ted disease that can increase to the cervix. Condom use throughout the rest of their a woman's risk for cervical when the doctor may recom- tagious and highly prevalent mend more frequent testing in sexually active individu- that can protect women from for women considered to be als. It has been estimated that

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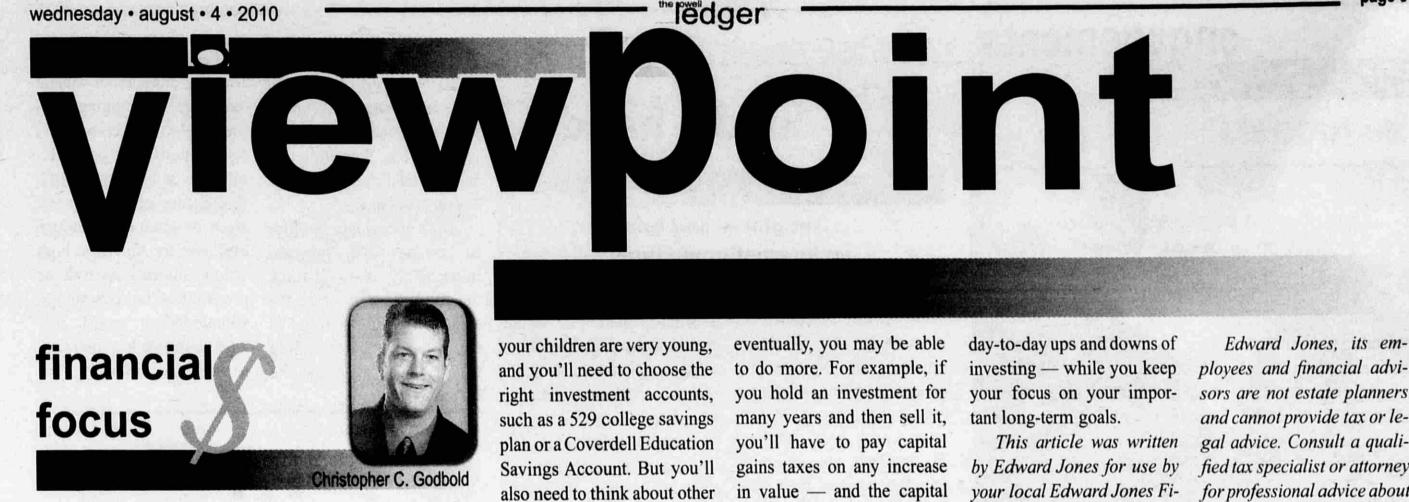
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125 Years Ago The Lowell Journal August 5, 1885

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with attempting to poison his wife.

Rickert's and it is ice cream too.

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100 Years Ago The Lowell Ledger August 4, 1910

Following a concert by the Lowell band, the opening gun of the congressional campaign was fired by Mayor Ellis Saturday evening by a big crowd "on the bridge" and judging effect.

congressional campaign for the cause of prohibition. The the parking lot, one way (west) through the north aisle of the great difficulty in enforcing prohibition in dry states is that parking lot and one way (east) through the south aisle. The prohibition states have no power to prohibit the importation project was designed to establish more parking in the area, of intoxicating liquors. This is the greatest obstacle in the and create a smoother flow of traffic.

way of successful enforcement. We desire to secure an amendment to the Interstate commerce act, so that dry states may stop the importation of the shipment of liquors at the boundary line.

75 Years Ago The Lowell Ledger and Alto Solo August 1, 1935

The new fire apparatus was delivered in Lowell last Sunday. The fire truck is a Reo equipped with a centrifugal pump made by Seagrave Fire Engine Co. of Columbus, Ohio. The truck is equipped for fighting rural fires effectively by chemicals or by pumping water from wells or ponds.

50 Years Ago The Lowell Ledger August 4, 1960

The City Council on Monday night bemoaned the fact that after nearly six months the city has no manager. A delegation of young people here propose to picnic at Although many have been interviewed and the job has been offered to at least three men, no one has accepted the

An automatic fire alarm signal at 2 a.m. Saturday Ice cream by the dish, quart or gallon can be found at morning at the utility plant brought the Lowell firemen to the Root-Lowell Manufacturing Company plant. When the signal sounds at the utility plant, the firemen are called. This is the first time the signal has ever sounded and this was thought to be a short in the alarm system.

25 Years Ago The Grand Valley Ledger August 7, 1985

Temporary concrete parking bumpers, street barriers and signs have been installed on Riverside north of Main by the responses from the assemblage, the shots took Street and in the municipal parking lot in the west 200 block of Main Street. The signs and barriers reroute traffic in the There is a very important issue involved in the present area to one way (north) on Riverside to the north entrance of

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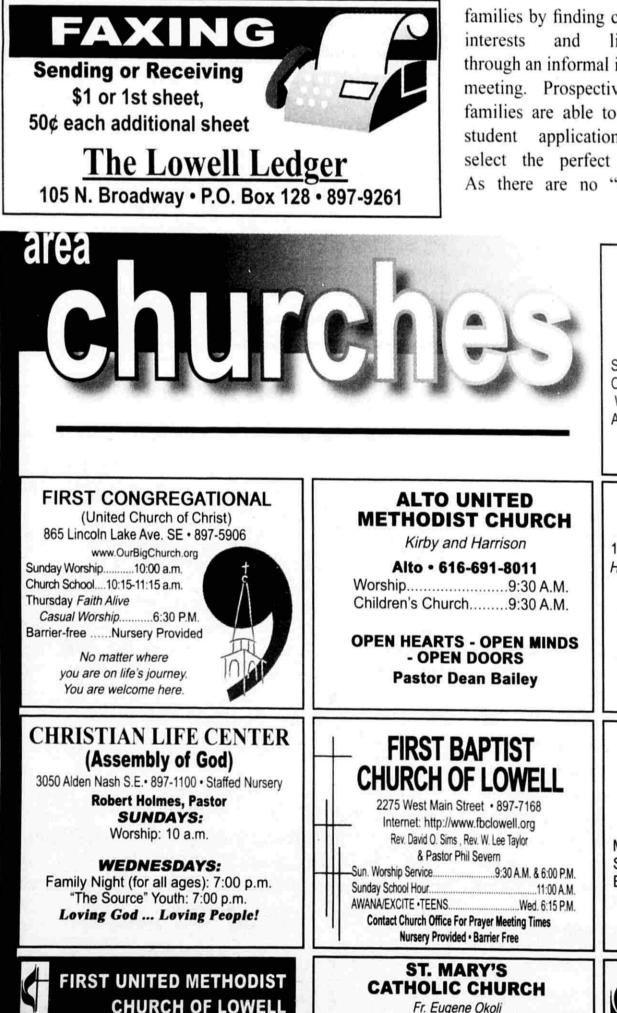
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Cathy Seese and Gregory Corliss

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high school host families, P.I.E. can fit Foreign organization needs a few large family. more local host families. Families who host for The students are anxiously P.I.E. are also eligible to awaiting news of their new claim a monthly charitable families. This is the last contribution deduction on chance for these young their itemized tax returns ambassadors to fulfill their for each month they host a lifelong dreams.

According to Pacific Intercultural (P.I.E.) president, John Doty, students from Germany, and private high schools.

students are scheduled to a student into just about arrive soon for academic any situation, whether it is semester and year homestay a single parent, a childless programs, and the sponsoring couple, a retired couple or a

sponsored student.

For the upcoming Exchange programs, P.I.E. has the students are all between the Former Soviet Union, the ages of 15 and 18 years, Venezuela, Argentina, Brazil, are English-speaking, have Hungary, Korea, Mexico, their own spending money, Australia, China, and many carry accident and health other countries. P.I.E. is insurance, and are anxious also participating in two to share their cultural special government-funded experiences with their new programs to bring scholarship American families. P.I.E. students from the newly United States.

match students with host educational organization that families by finding common has sponsored more than interests and lifestyles 25,000 students from 45 through an informal in-home countries since its founding meeting. Prospective host in 1975. The organization families are able to review is designated by the United student applications and States Department of State select the perfect match. and is listed by the Council As there are no "typical" on Standards for International

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.10:00 A. M.

..11:20 A.M.

...6:00 P.M.

Sunday School

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Adult Bible Study.

Educationa certifying (CSIET). the organization complies with the standards set forth in CSIET's Standards for International Educational Travel programs.

Doty encourages families to contact the program immediately, as it will allow the proper time for the students and hosts to get to they actually meet for the students and schools. first time.



AUGUST 4 Irene Willmarth, Scott VanDyke, Cody Bieri, Nick Tykocki, Thomas H. Mahalic, Joann Childs,

Kayleigh VanKeulen.

AUGUST 5 Robin Abel, Stephen Martin Jr.

AUGUST 6 Jessie King, Kim Foster, Steven Vickers.

AUGUST 7 Barbara Wright, Don Grummet, Jaimi Smith Steve Newell.



DePaul announced that Danielle Grondin of Ada graduated from DePaul University in Chicago in June with a Master of Science degree from The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.



currently has programs to independent states of the match almost every family's former Soviet Union as well needs, ranging in length as predominantly Islamic from one semester to a full countries such as Yemen, academic year, where the Syria, Jordan, Morocco, students attend local public Kuwait, Iraq and Qatar to the P.I.E. area representatives P.I.E. is a non-profit

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that

Families interested in learning more about student exchange or arranging for a meeting with a community representative may call P.I.E. toll-free, at 1-866-546-1402. The agency also has travel/ study program opportunities available for American high school students as well as possibilities for community volunteers to assist and know one another before work with area host families.

happy **birthday!**

AUGUST 8 Jennifer Kimble, Chris

Goggins, John Rasch. Allen Hoekstra, Sharell Wolf, Debra Lenneman.

AUGUST 9 Pamela Esparza. Steven Burrows, Busha Wilson.

AUGUST 10 Madeline Scott, Arnie DeLoof.

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The following DePaul University students have been named to the Dean's List for the 2010 spring quarter: Sam Carlton, Sydney DeVos, Adam Konyndyk,

and Teage Menear, all of Ada.

receive Dean's To List commendation, fulltime students must earn a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or above on a four-point scale.

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Potter's team takes the softball crown

school baseball star of the late 1940's and early 50's,



Lowell Red Arrow high Bill Potter, is still a big hit at the age of 78.

> Potter, who hit .520 in 1949 and .420 in '50 for Lowell, walloped three home runs, two triples, two doubles and knocked in 12 runs in leading Center for Sight (Venus, Fla.) to the age 75 major championship at the Ohio Senior Softball Classic.

Potter, who resides in Iron Mountain and winters in Dunedin, Fla., earned a tournament most valuable player nomination plus a spot on the all-tournament

Bill Potter's diamond career includes playing on the 1956 Milwaukee Braves' Class C minor league basebail team in Eau Claire, Wis., with Bob Uecker (the radio voice of the Milwaukee Brewers).



Concussion guidelines set by MHSAA

The Michigan High School Athletic Association role in determining if an MHSAA (MHSAA) representative athlete has sustained a tournaments where an to be an ineligible player. council approved a five- concussion, but will only MHSAA-assigned step protocol to be followed during the course of contests when an athlete sustains an apparently injured and determination regarding proper authorization apparent concussion.

will be utilized in all sports at all levels beginning with designated the 2010-11 school year. professional at the event the council action by sports season of the High School State an athlete exhibiting the play that day and may only authorization of an MD or MHSAA mechanics – including the by an MD or a DO. clearing of a young person decided by each state MHSAA and the removed association.

Officials will have no player's that the player has been individual will make the should be examined by a same day return to play. The course of action healthcare provider.

If

to return to play - to be file a report with the the school's designated

school.

At its June meeting, concussion-like symptoms extended probation period. The game official will and not being cleared by

For medical authority to return post-season to that contest, is considered Any competition point out to the head coach physician is present, that which the student-athlete participates without the

forfeited. The school will be

the school's the MHSAA executive placed on probation in that heathcare committee followed-up on sport through the end of that The National Federation of confirms a concussion did approving sanctions for following year. A second not occur, the athlete may non-compliance with the offense in that sport during Associations had previously reenter the contest. In the concussion management probation will result in the adopted language to appear event the game continues policy. A student-athlete extension of the probation in all rule books beginning and the athlete is withheld who returns to competition for an additional year, and this fall: it called for the for an apparent concussion, in a subsequent meet or the school will be prohibited removal from a contest of the athlete may not return to contest without the written from participating in the post-season signs of a potential return at a future date after a DO, after being removed tournament in that sport concussion, leaving the written clearance is issued from play for exhibiting during the original and



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Bill Potter is pictured, front row, second from right, along with the Center for Sight senior team.

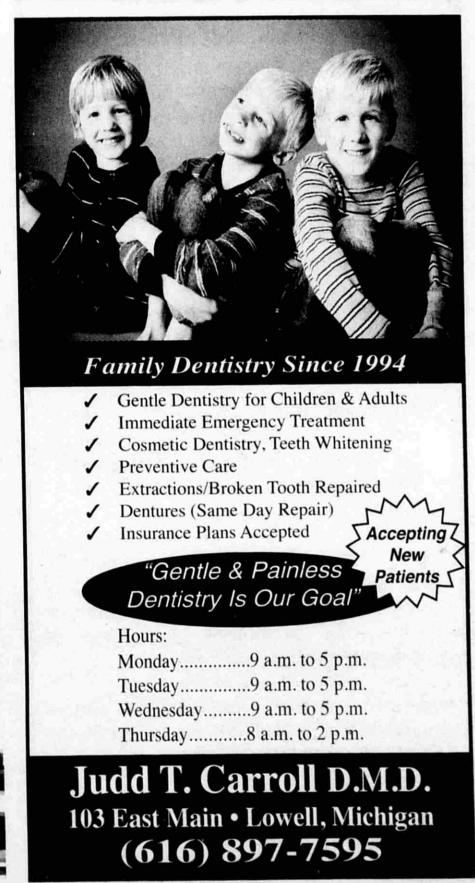




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All Proposals Must Be Submitted **Online No Later Than** August 20, 2010 to be considered. Visit www.grfoundation.org/lowell to submit your application.

The Lowell Area Community Fund, a fund of Grand Rapids Community Foundation, awards grants to tax-exempt, nonprofit charitable organizations that have an impact in the Lowell area. The LACF funds innovative projects or programs that encourage community cooperation.



First Bocce Ball for the Arts fundraiser is fun for all

by Emma Palova

Arts, a fundraiser for the attendance. Lowell Area Arts Council, was a great success according Smalligan. to director Lorain Smalligan.

arts council's own backyard played the final games with the event next year on four appetizers and desserts.

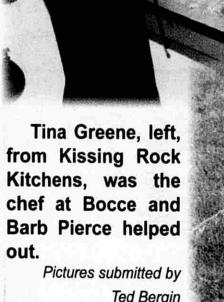
The first Bocce for the with more than 50 people in spotlights and flashlights. courts instead of just two. And the losers didn't even "That was our goal," said get to play against each other. Thus, no prize was awarded The event lasted well to the biggest loser. But, the The event was held in the into the dark. The teams council is planning to hold

Jim and Bobbi White had a tight win for first place over

Jerry and Olga Persha. Tina Green of Kissing Rock Kitchens provided "The arts council

looking forward to another p.m. The event will include great Bocce tournament next summer," said Smalligan. The arts council's next fundraiser is the River Revelry, held on the Riverwalk by the Showboat, is on Aug. 27 from 6 p.m. to 10





The Lowell Area Arts Council building was all decked out in Italian colors for the games.



The Lowell City Council will conduct public hearings at their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, August 16, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, Lowell City Hall, Second Floor, 301 East Main Street, Lowell Michigan for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on the following:

An Ordinance to Amend Article II, "Collection and Disposal," of Chapter 11, "Garbage, Trash and Refuse," of The Code of Ordinances of the City Of Lowell.

An Ordinance to Add Article III, "Snowplowing," to Chapter 19, Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places," of The Code Of Ordinances of the City of Lowell.

Copies of the ordinances are available for inspection during normal business hours at City Hall and the Englehardt Public Library or on the City of Lowell web page at www.ci.lowell.mi.us

Interested persons may submit written comments to City Hall, 301 East Main Street, Lowell, MI 49331 prior to the meeting or appear in person.



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Steve Flohr throws the Bocce ball.

the winner.



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a silent auction, fun, games, music, food and cash bar Due to the cuts from the state for arts funding, the

arts council has to do more fundraisers, according to Smalligan.



Sandy Cares measures carefully to determine

Bobbie White was one of the first-place

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Pink Arrow Pride fuels cancer education and prevention

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by Thad Kraus

Community Arrow Pride Day brought them in.

make an additional donation up to the third annual Pink through their purchase of a Arrow football game on t-shirt was added incentive. Sept. 10 against Kenowa

And food and entertainment was the cool for the soul on a hot and humid day at the Gilda's information out, to get Club of Lowell/Lowell people on the Gilda's Club Senior Neighbors' Center. of Lowell campus and share

Gilda's Club and this is a about the event," said great community thing and Lowell football coach Noel I know a lot of work has Dean. community building," said Lowell's Schneider attended in an Phil Chase. "My wife effort to help the cause. (Dana) went to the game wonderful event it was. So and enjoyed a good lunch," I made sure we (my boys said John Schneider. Auden and Avery) came shirts because of the

additional donations with Pink each purchase."

Pink Community Arrow Pride Day (Aug. 3) The opportunity to was the precursor leading

"Pink Arrow Pride Day is another way to get "We heard about information and positives

John and Shirley

"We brought our last year and said what a grandkids, bought t-shirts

Lowell High School down here today to buy teacher Heidi Kolp bought



A visit to Gilda's Club of Lowell/Lowell Senior Neighbors' Center on Pink Arrow Pride Day wasn't complete without the purchase of a t-shirt.

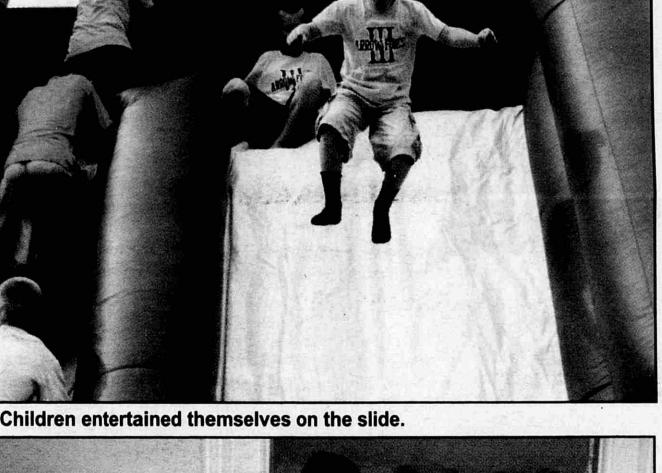
> shirts for her and her son Kenton.

fed," Kolp said.

all of this is the education, location. prevention and support family are also important aspects to all of this."

All the money raised through the Pink Arrow events and football game go directly to helping those families served through the Pink Arrow Family Support program.

In its first two years, the Pink Arrow Community event has netted \$210,608.





Several tours were given at Gilda's Club of Lowell on Tuesday.



Grace Nowak sat down to a puzzle at the Lowell Senior Neighbors Center after purchasing her Arrow Force III t-shirt.

In addition, in year two allowing the Gilda's Club at Saint Mary's. "The biggest piece to to be a partner at that

coach Noel Dean. "Pieces with Lacks Cancer Center shortages. for research and support of at Saint Mary's and Meijer.

Women who attended \$250,000 of enhancement also had an opportunity to "I can't believe we're went into the Senior set a date for a mammogram also being entertained and Neighbors' Center building, at The Lacks Cancer Center

The Michigan Blood Mobile was on hand to take The events were donations in an effort to piece," said Lowell football presented in partnership offset the summer blood



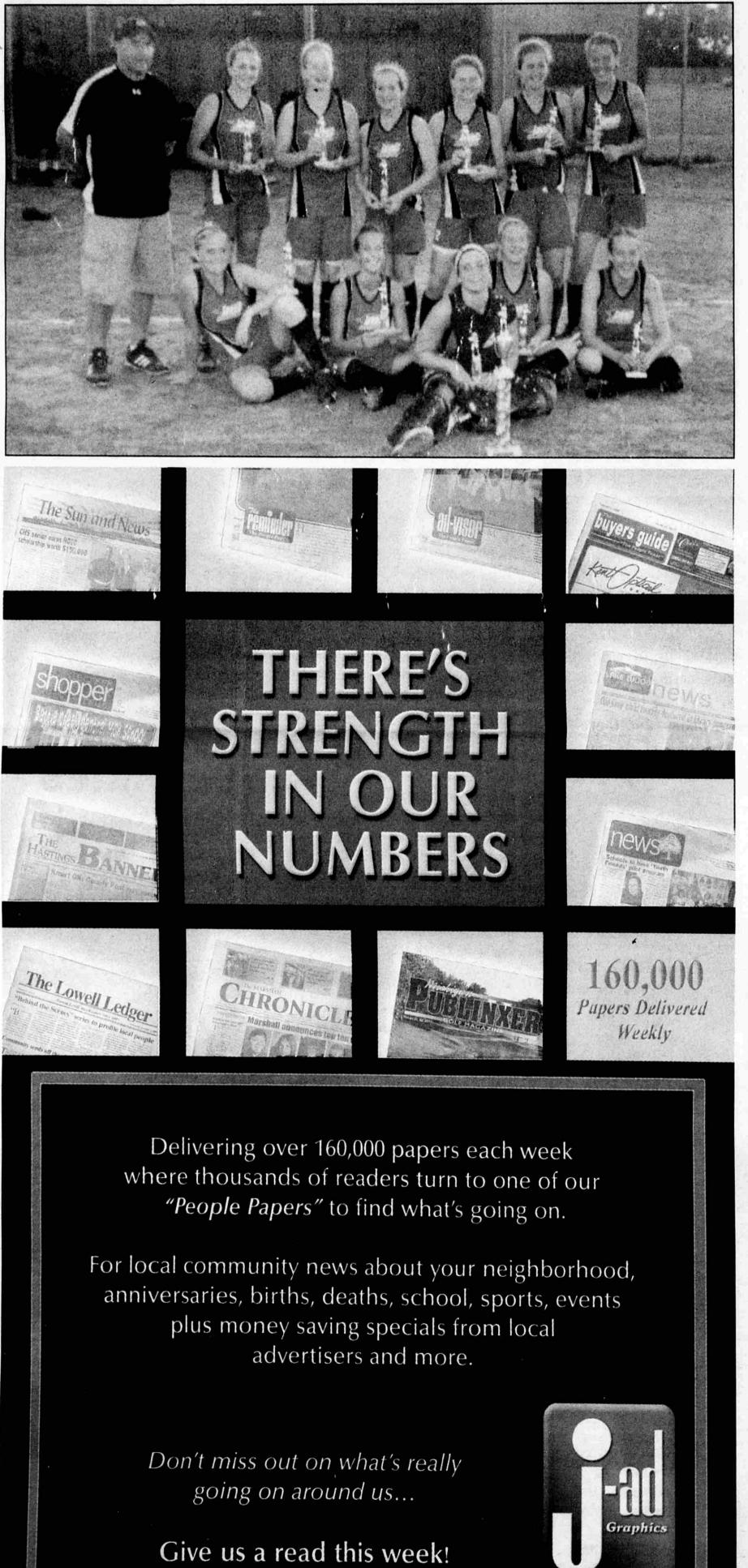
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Lowell 14U Arrowdynamics takes second place

took second place at the ship game. The Dynamics Brianna Barton, to just five Taylare Harris went seven Dewitt Diamond Classic, scored 34 runs in four games runs during the three games for 11 with a double, Sarah beating St. Johns, Eaton and held opponents, using of pool play. In this tournament Oesch, six for 12 with a

Rapids and Grand Ledge, solid pitching by Mikela pitchers could only throw double and Conner Geiger



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The People Papers

The 14U softball team advancing to the champion- Chapman, Bethany Dean and three innings per game. had two doubles and a triple on four hits to lead the offensive barrage.

Lowell Arrowdynamics wins the **Perry Rambler Rumble**

The 14U softball team took first place in Perry. beating Pickney, Perry, Clio, Grand Ledge and Lansing Waverley, going 5-0 in their march to the championship. Lowell banged out 50 runs in the five games while Mikela Chapman and Bethany Dean held opponents to just 16 runs for the tournament. Offensive leaders included Konner Geiger (seven for 11 with a triple), Bethany Dean (seven for 12 with a home run and a triple), Shelby Antel (five for 13 with a double), and Sarah Oesch (five for 16 with two triples).

It took late rallies in the semifinal and championship games to overcome Grand Ledge and Lansing. In the semis with two out and down by two runs, Shelby Antel delivered a two RBI single to tie the game followed by singles by Bethany Dean and Konner Geiger, to finish the rally that totalled six runs in the inning to win 6-3. In the championship game, in a similar situation, down 2-0 late in the game, Kazie Bladey, Konner Geiger and Sarah Oesch all contributed singles to finish a five run to play at the 13U level, the Dynamics are competing up an age level this summer

Arrowdynamics takes third at Byron Center Fastpitch Classic

The 14U softball team took third place at Byron Center losing to the West Michigan Gators in the opener but then winning out, beating Allegan, The Diamonds and then Byron Center in the third/fourth place game. The

The Lowell City Council will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, September 7, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, Lowell City Hall, Second Floor, 301 East Main Street, Lowell, Michigan for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on the following:

An Ordinance to Amend the Official Zone Map of the Zoning Ordinance of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell.

copy of the ordinance is available for inspection during normal business hours at City Hall and the Englehardt Public Library or on the City of Lowell web page at www.ci.lowell.mi.us

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Dynamics scored 37 runs in four games. The offense was led by Konner Geiger (six for 12 14U

Bailey Roberts (six for 12 scoring seven runs) and Taylare Harris (scoring seven runs on base eight out of 13 times). Mikela Chapman and Bethany Dean held opponents to 15 runs.

12U Arrowdynamics take third in Dewitt

The 12U Dynamics softball team scores 27 runs in three games on their way to finishing third in Dewitt. Offensively, the Dynamics were led by Grace Quiggle (five for seven with a double and a triple), Tess Richardson (four for eight), Miranda Barton (four for six with two doubles) and Kailee Dawson (70 percent on base). In the tourney, pitchers could only throw a maximum of three innings per game and Tess Richardson, Breanna Oesch and Miranda Barton shared the wins for this tourney.

12U Arrowdynamics takes third at Byron Center **Fastpitch Classic**

At the fast pitch classic the 12U team lost its opener to Diamonds 7-6 but then won out against Byron Center, Mona Shores and then beating Byron Center again in the third/fourth place game. The rally winning in the finals 6-2. Dynamics scored 34 runs Although all the girls qualify during the four games while Tess Richardson and Breanna Oesch collectively took care of pitching duties, only giving up 12 runs with a solid 14U defense behind them. A special highlight had Tess Richardson recording a nohitter in a 1-0 win over Mona Shores! Offensive leaders included Kailee Dawson (five for 10 and scoring seven runs) and Grace Quiggle (hitting a double, a triple and scoring six runs).

This week Bernadette with three doubles), promised to head over to see Brianna Barton (five for 10 with a double and a triple),

if she could ask the "allknowing" Gemmy at Chimera Design if she had any insights to all the strange happenings in Lowell. Bernadette had learned from Meme that Gemmy knew things, maybe even more than Meme herself knew, about the trolls in Lowell. However, asking Gemmy what she knew was easier said than done. Gemmy was town jeweler was - at be very, very discreet at a wonderfully creative troll but she was also somewhat grumpy, opinionated and a bit dramatic! So one had to catch her in the right mood if one was to get any information from Gemmy at floorboards hoping Julie celebrating milestones, like more information from all. Gemmy hid out under the floorboards of the Gemmy's way. jeweler's bench at Chimera

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turning any object into townsfolk and by the trolls, valuable jewelry, but she as the premier place to find was always looking for that engagement rings, wedding one special elusive pearl to rings, high school class rings masterpiece. figured that pearls would had the reputation of creating simply wash up to her along some of the most unique, the Flat River which is why exclusive she lived under the bridge in bracelets and earrings ever the first place. Eventually, seen. Julie was said to be Gemmy decided she might magic with precious and have better luck if she semi-precious actually lived where the However, they also had to Chimera. She knew Cliff Chimera because they often some of the trolls. Two of and proprietors) would be might be asking for engagement rings and the suspicious if their pearls someone's hand in marriage. third was unknown. But that started to disappear, so she They often knew when their was all Gemmy knew. Try patiently waited under the customers would would "drop" a pearl 25th or 50th wedding Gemmy, that was all she

The Tale of the Troll, Part XVII

Julie and Cliff were

Gemmy could want. Chimera also stones. anniversaries. Yes, discretion was giving up at this time.

Design. She had a knack for known all over town, by the was key! Ahhh, but not so for Gemmy. Gemmy often detective/newcomer, knew before anyone else all these juicy bits of gossip as well, but Gemmy was also create her one of a kind and any other ring anyone very selective about whom she would share such information.

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necklaces. Gemmy about the strange. recent events in Lowell, the only thing that was learned was that Cliff and Julie had three very large pieces of friend, Meme, into joining soon! jewelry they were working on that were top secret for Julie (the store knew, before everyone, who the pieces were indeed be as Bernadette might to get



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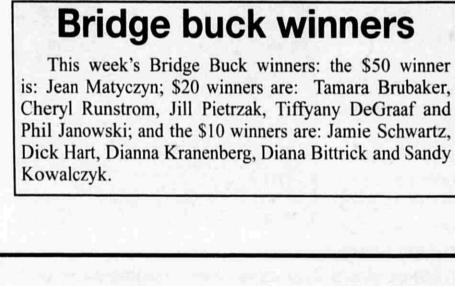
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So like any Bernadette took it upon herself to do the next logical thing. And in Bernadette's opinion much could be learned if she were to head over to The Flat River Grill So, after speaking with and spy on the coming and in Lowell. goings at Chimera.

> what Bernadette did. She first talked her new best

good her. Now, Meme was still feeling bruised from her encounter with Butch, but a night out sounded like just what she needed. So the two of them went out in search of clues about just what was "really" happening

Wait until you find out And that is precisely who they saw going into Chimera. What could that mean anyway? Find out





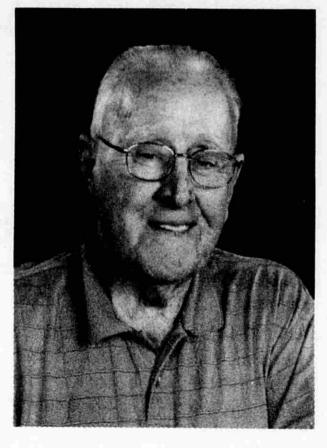
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obituaries

BROWER

John Henry Brower, age 88 years 1 month, of Lowell, a child of God, loving father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, passed away Friday, July 30, 2010. Born to Henry and Beatrice Brower on June 30, 1922, he graduated from Rockford High School where he

played football He then served his country in U.S. the Navy where he served aboard the USS Micka. He married Betty June Smith on March 21, 1943 and enjoyed 62 years marriagebefore her death in 2005. Together John and Betty established their home on a farm north



of Lowell where they raised their daughters, Jill and Jackie, and son John, Jr. He became active in 4-H as a leader and member of the fair board. John was known as a hard worker and never put off doing anything. Later he went to work at Gibson's refrigeration in Greenville where he became a union steward before being promoted as a supervisor. Upon retirement he enjoyed golfing several times a week as well as gardening and

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attending Naval reunions. He could always be found in attendance at any event where a grandchild or greatgrandchild was participating. John was a member of the American Legion Merritt Lamb Post #102 and a friend of the First Congregational Church. Those grateful for his life and cherishing his memory are his children, Jill (AI) Johnston, Jackie Tousley, John (Laura) Brower, Jr.; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. He is also survived by a sister, Mrs. Alyce Hole; brothers, Jim and Judy Brower, Paul and Loni Brower, Frank and Missy Brower; sisters-in-law, Beatrice Trissell, Beverly Sherd and Barbara Straub; brothers-in-law, Mike Lamb and Jim Smith; nieces and nephews. The service for Mr. Brower was held Tuesday at First Congregational Church UCC of Lowell with Rev. Chris Schwab officiating. Military honors were under the auspices of the Kent County Veterans Honor Guard with interment in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. The family requests that donations be made to Spectrum Health Hospice or First Congregational Church UCC of Lowell in lieu of flowers.

WHALEY

Sharon Kay Whaley, age 68, of Lowell, went to be with the Lord and her son, Todd, on Thursday, July 29. 2010. She is survived by her children, John Whaley Jr. and Michele (Rich) Zeck; sister, Julie Hanson grandchildren, Sheila, Jeff, James, Sharon, and Shea; great-grandchildren; and very special friend, Elaine Smith. Sharon was a loving mom, grandmother, and friend. She was a woman with a big heart that loved her Lord and church. Funeral service will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. at Evergreen Missionary Church. 10501 Settlewood, Lowell. Rev. Richard Ferguson and Rev. Glenn Marks officiating. Interment Merriman Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Evergreen Missionary Church Youth Program.



STATE OF MICHIGAN **PROBATE COURT** COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS **Decedent's Estate**

FILE NO. 10-188,877-DE

Estate of ROSE AUGUSTINE a/k/a **ROSE PULAWSKI, Date** of birth: 06/05/1915. TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE **CREDITORS:** The ROSE decedent, AUGUSTINE a/k/a ROSE PULAWSKI, who lived at 4118 Kalamazoo Ave., Grand Rapids, Michigan died 07/19/2010.

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

07/27/2010

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Joseph Pulawski 2021 Shadow Creek Dr. Raleigh, NC 27604 (919) 212-6401

STATE OF MICHIGAN **PROBATE COURT** COUNTY OF KENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 10-188,865-DE

Estate of CATHERINE T. CZARNOPYS, Date of birth: 11/18/1922.

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent

CATHERINE CZARNOPYS, who lived at 2161 Leonard St. NW, Grand Rapids, Michigan, died 07/04/2010.





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PATRICIA M.

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John D. Mitus (P-31244) 410 Bridge St., NW Grand Rapids, MI 49504 (616) 774-4001

Patricia M. Mitus 904 Frederick, NW Grand Rapids, MI 49504

STATE OF MICHIGAN **PROBATE COURT** COUNTY OF KENT **CIRCUIT COURT -**FAMILY DIVISION

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING

FILE NO. 10-188864-GA

InthematterofFRANCES HOBSON.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS including: MARY WALKER. NATHANIEL HOBSON **ROBERT HOBSON AND** LEON HOBSON, whose address(es)areunknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: A hearing will be held on 08/31/2010 at 9:00 a.m. at 180 Ottawa NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 before Judge David M. Murkowski (P35026) for the following purpose: to appoint a full guardian for Francis Hobson.

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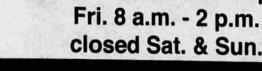
John D. Flynn (P27413) 1275 Hawthorne Hills SE Ada, MI 49301 616-897-6632

Emily Pierce Grand Rapids, MI 49507

121 Franklin SE 616-248-1335

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FOR SALE - Raw honey, Lowell grown, \$6 a pint. Call 897-0105.

MATTRESS - Buy direct from the local warehouse. Prices even less than Sam's Club & Art Van. All new, all sizes. RCD Wholesale, 1803 Plainfield NE. GR, 616-293-5188.

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MEMORY FOAM MAT-TRESS - Relieves back pain! All sizes. Queen sets starting at only \$495. Always 50% less than Tempurpedic. RCD Wholesale. 1803 Plainfield NE, GR, 616-293-5188.

1993 CHEVY ASTRO VAN - 170.000 miles. Reliable. New exhaust, brakes, brake lines, water pump, V6 w/4 spd. automatic. \$700 or best. 262-1442.

REMINGTON 1100 - 70's vintage, Deerslayer barrel, smooth bore, scope mount \$350. Call 616-212-3161

MOVING - Pool, INTEX 4 x 18', up for viewing, tears down quickly, \$200; swing set, Hedstrom, \$50; Picnic table, plastic, collapsible, \$50. Lowell, 897-9167 or 616-485-1478.

MATTRESS - All new. Twin \$100; full \$125; Queen, \$150; King, \$175 & up. Pillowtop sets starting at \$175. Bunkbeds; 58 choices, \$199&up. Futons, daybeds, dining & bedroom furniture. RCD Wholesale. 1803 Plainfield NE, GR, 616-293-5188.

SWEET CORN - cucumbers, zucchini, string beans, pickles, tomatoes (cherry & regular). 11130 36th St. SE, Lowell. 897-8808.

lost

ONGOING SEARCH-ON-**GOING REWARD** - Hoping to find closure for missing long-haired, ALL black male cat, named BLACKIE. He has a "feather duster" tail, BRIGHT light yellow round eyes. Age 2 1/2. VANISHED on 10/28/09 from Ryan Ridge/Alden Nash area, near Twp. offices. ANY INFO please call 897-8385. Not knowing is what keeps us going!

LOST - Yorki/Shihtzu puppy, tan/blond. Eckert Rd, Freeport. Last seen getting into black car, Sun., July 25 at 10 a.m. 616-366-2391 Reward.

MISSING SHELTIE - Missing tri-colored sweet female sheltie since Wednesday, July 28. Reward offered. Pleae call 616-717-1261 if you've found or seen her.

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card of thanks

THE PULLIN' FOR KIDS PLANNING COMMITTEE would like to express our sincere gratitude to all those who sponsored, donated, volunteered, participated and/or attended our tractor pull. We raised over \$4,000 to help kids with tumors of the spinal cord defray the cost of college tuition. We couldn't have

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU

done this without your sup-

port. Hope to see you next

year. Thank you.

for all the acts of kindness shown to us during the time of Darrel's illness and passing. It is a blessing to know so many caring people.

> Alice Hesche & all our family

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ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES -Sign up at the Nazarene Church, 201 N. Washington St., Sat., Aug. 4, 10 a.m.-noon. You may also order online using your debit or credit card. Go to www.angelfood ministries.com Any questions. call Esther, 897-7395.

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DORIC CHAPTER #75, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR - will hold its regular communication at 7:30 p.m. on Tues., Aug. 10 at the Masonic Temple, 211 E. Main St., Belding, Dinner will precede the meeting. All Stars may attend!

HOOKER CHAPTER #73 OF THE ROYAL ARCH MASONS

PLEASE NOTE - Coming Events Saranac areas, will hold its stated 9-5 p.m. at the church office with - Lowell Clubhouse, 314 S. are for non-profit organizations. convocation at 7:30 p.m. on Wed., cash or Bridge Card; or online with Hudson, Lowell. If you are charging admission Aug. 11 at the Masonic Temple, for an event - it is considered an 211 E. Main St., Belding. Dinner angelfood ministries.com. First GRIEF-ADULTGROUP-Each advertisement. Coming events will precede the meeting. All Royal Baptist Church, 2275 W. Main, Tuesday, 2-3 p.m. & second & Arch Masons may attend.

LOWELL CLASS OF 1978 RE-UNION - Aug. 14, begins 5 p.m. Home of Laura Dey Leasure, 2880 Pratt Lake Ave., Lowell. Please send \$10 per person to mage Sales as a coming event. Laura by Aug. 1. Facebook: Laura Dey Leasure, 616-897-5739, lauraleasure@sbcglobal.net. No mailing - please invite classmates! Bring your own chair & drink.

IONIA-MONTCALM CHAPTER #6 - of the State Employee Retiree's Association, serving Montcalm and Ionia Counties and the Lowell area, will hold a potluck picnic luncheon at the shelter at the entrance into Bertha Brock Park, noon on Wed., Aug. 25. Bring your own table service & a doing face painting & balloon ani- Gilda's Club - Lowell Clubhouse, dish to pass. For more information call 616-527-1825. All State of Michigan Retirees may attend.

HAVE HAD - sons/daughters of every month. For more info call Sally 616-761-2042.

GRATTAN TWILIGHT CANCER WALK - Aug. 19. Grattan Raceway. Benefiting Gilda's Club of Lowell. Registration begins at 6 p.m. & walk at 7 p.m. Call Donna, 616-481-1718 or visit www.grattan

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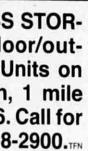
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your debit or credit card at www. Lowell. Call the church office at fourth Tuesdays 5:30 - 7 p.m. A 897-7168 or Angie at 897-0420 committed group for adults who with questions.

COMMUNITY GARDEN NEEDS Club - Lowell Clubhouse, 314 S. VOLUNTEERS - to help us, help Hudson, Lowell. others. We meet on Thursday nights, 6-8 p.morlater. Maple Row Dairy out by Jones Meat Market on Lee Rd. Call Mike at 272-1341 A committed group for children with any questions.

AUG. 5, 12, 19 & 26 - MSU Extention Program - "Sew Read - The & fun. Gilda's Club - Lowell Boy and The Quilt Curriculum" at Clubhouse, 314 S. Hudson, 10 a.m. with Katie Vanderklock. Saranac Public Library.

BRIDGEFEST PROGRAM - Aug. 28 at the Saranac Public Library with Mr. & Mrs. Bubbles the clowns mals from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

PINK ARROW PRIDE "QUIVER" RUN - First annual 5k run/walk TEEN GROUP - CANCER AND MOTHERS WHO HAVE OR & Kids' Fun Run. Sept. 11 at GRIEF - First & third Tuesdays, Lowell High football stadium. 5k 5:30 - 7 p.m. A committed group serving in the military. We are at 7:30 a.m. & fun run at 8:45 meeting on the 3rd Wednesday a.m. Volunteers needed. Call Nancy Russell at 897-9303 or nrussell@lowellschools.com. Register at www.classicrace.com or www.pinkarrowpride.org.

> ORIGAMI - Each Tuesday, 2-3 LHS CLASS OF 1973 - informal p.m. Learn the ancient art of paper folding. Gilda's Club - Lowell Clubhouse, 314 S. Hudson, Lowell.

CANCER-KIDS & TWEEN TALK GROUP - First & third Tuesdays, FREE ADDICTIONS PRO-5:30 - 7 p.m. A committed group GRAM - every Friday, 7 p.m. at for children in first - eighth grade Bible Believers Church, 404 N. for this great savings opportunity! on a cancer journey. Incorpo- Hudson St., Lowell. For more - serving Belding, Ionia, Lowell & Sign up: Aug. 31, 8:30 - 9:30 rates curriculum-based activities, information call 616-485-2385. a.m. at distribution; Tues. - Fri. discussion & fun. Gilda's Club

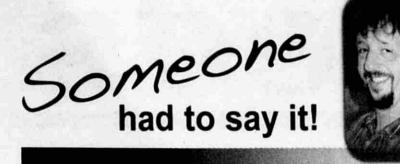
have experienced the death of a family member or friend. Gilda's

GRIEF-KIDS GROUP-Second & fourth Tuesdays, 5:30 - 7 p.m. in first - fourth grade on a grief journey. Incorporates curriculum-based activities, dicussion Lowell.

GRIEF-NEW MEMBER MEET ING - Call the clubhouse to schedule your introductory meeting for grief support groups. 314 S. Hudson, Lowell, 897-

for teens in ninth - twelfth grade on a cancer or grief journey. Incorporates curriculum-based activities & discussion. Gilda's Club - Lowell Clubhouse, 314 S. Hudson, Lowell.

party on Sat., Sept. 4 at Fallasburg Park, 5 p.m. - 10 p.m. '73 grads & friends invited. More info close to the date.



Thad Kraus

Since starting this weekly dribble I have written a number of times on the filth that is college coaching.

You know the likely suspects... Calipari, Pitino.... I'm sure you have read or heard about, in your sports forums, the ongoing court sexcapade case involving one Louisville basketball Rick Pitino.

The "she" in this scenario is Karen Sypher, whose trial is underway, after she famously tried to extort Rick Pitino out of a sum of money - and, when she did not receive the amount of money she wanted - went to the press with stories of Pitino's infidelity, a tawdry tryst on the floor of a Louisville restaurant and a possible payout for an abortion.

If you want more details, Google it.

The University of Louisville, like all other college institutions, has a code of ethics it follows: high ethic moral standards, values, accountability and responsibility. Forgot one, beat Kentucky!

Which explains why Pitino has only been asked to apologize and not fired.

He won't lose his job; he isn't a student and he makes the university millions of dollars a year.



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GARAGE SALE

Fri., Aug. 6, 9 to 5 p.m. 285 Lincoln Lake, North of Bailey. Little Tikes, Power Wheels, Fisher Price, boys size 6 to 8, girls size 4-5, women's size 6, mens XL, small game table, etc. See Craigslist ad.

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ledger There are parents, right now, signing their son up to

play for this piece of garbage. And so goes college sports!

I was reading the Southbend Tribune online over the weekend.

The editor wrote to readers informing them that they would be seeing changes in the Tribune - news squeezed, more succinct writing, and a little tighter editing.

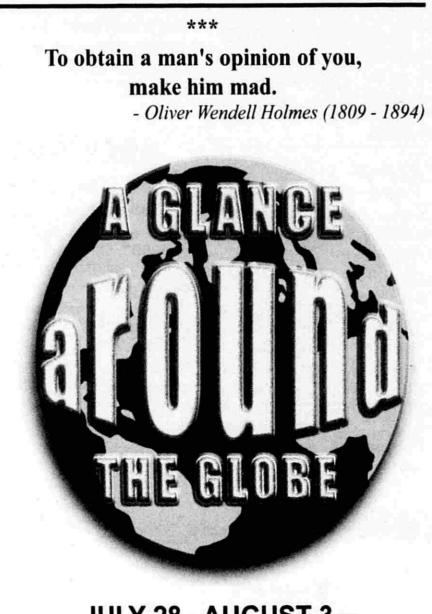
As many newspapers have experienced, with change comes a disgruntled public.

Some of the responses to the editor's note included: "I stopped getting the Tribune because it wasn't being put in the box."

"I would be a lot sadder if the Tribune wasn't already the worst paper on the planet."

And so went the responses.

What I find interesting, from all of these negative comments about the newspaper, is that the authors are obviously, still reading the paper they decry otherwise how would they know about any changes?



JULY 28 - AUGUST 3

- An Airblue jet goes down in Islamabad, Pakistan killing 152 people, among them, two Americans.
- EPA gets up to \$13 million for Michigan river oil
- Gulf crews prepare to start plugging Gulf of Mexico oil well for good.
- Sen. Jon Kyl of Arizona says that congress should hold hearings to look into denying citizenship to illegal aliens' children born in the United States as the fight over immigration widens into the explosive "birthright" issue.
- Fox News channel is granted a much coveted front row seat in the White House briefing room. The front row center seat was previously occupied by Helen Thomas.
- The U.S. military is on the verge of activating a partial shield over Southern Europe, part of an intensifying global effort to build defenses against Iranian missiles amid a deepening impasse over the country's nuclear ambitions.
- Chelsea Clinton, daughter of former President Bill Clinton and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton marries to Marc Mezvinsky in Rhinebeck, NY.
- A lobsterman finds a rare yellow lobster, a 1 in 30 million chance, while fishing off Narragansett Bay, RI.
- Starting in 2012 bullfighting will be banned in northeastern Spain.





I won't be voting for the same personpolitical people that phone 10-15 times a day!

Thank god it's August. I can't wait till summer is over. Way too many dogs that bark all night and half the day. Isn't there a law against this?

Regarding the article about the concert in last week's paper - Who in the world was President Jimmie Reagan? I guess I never heard of him.

In the second off poll result:

Fanny packs Mullets Spandex. Mandels (sandals w Uni-brows

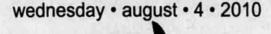
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This home features 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms The master bedroom has built-in closets and a beautiful fireplace. The first floor has all original hardwood floors and the living room has a newer wood burning insert and the dining room has a built-in China cabinet. The outside of the house sits on 3 gorgeous acres and has 2 new decks and a hot tub that seats 6 people. roses and many beautiful perennial flowers.

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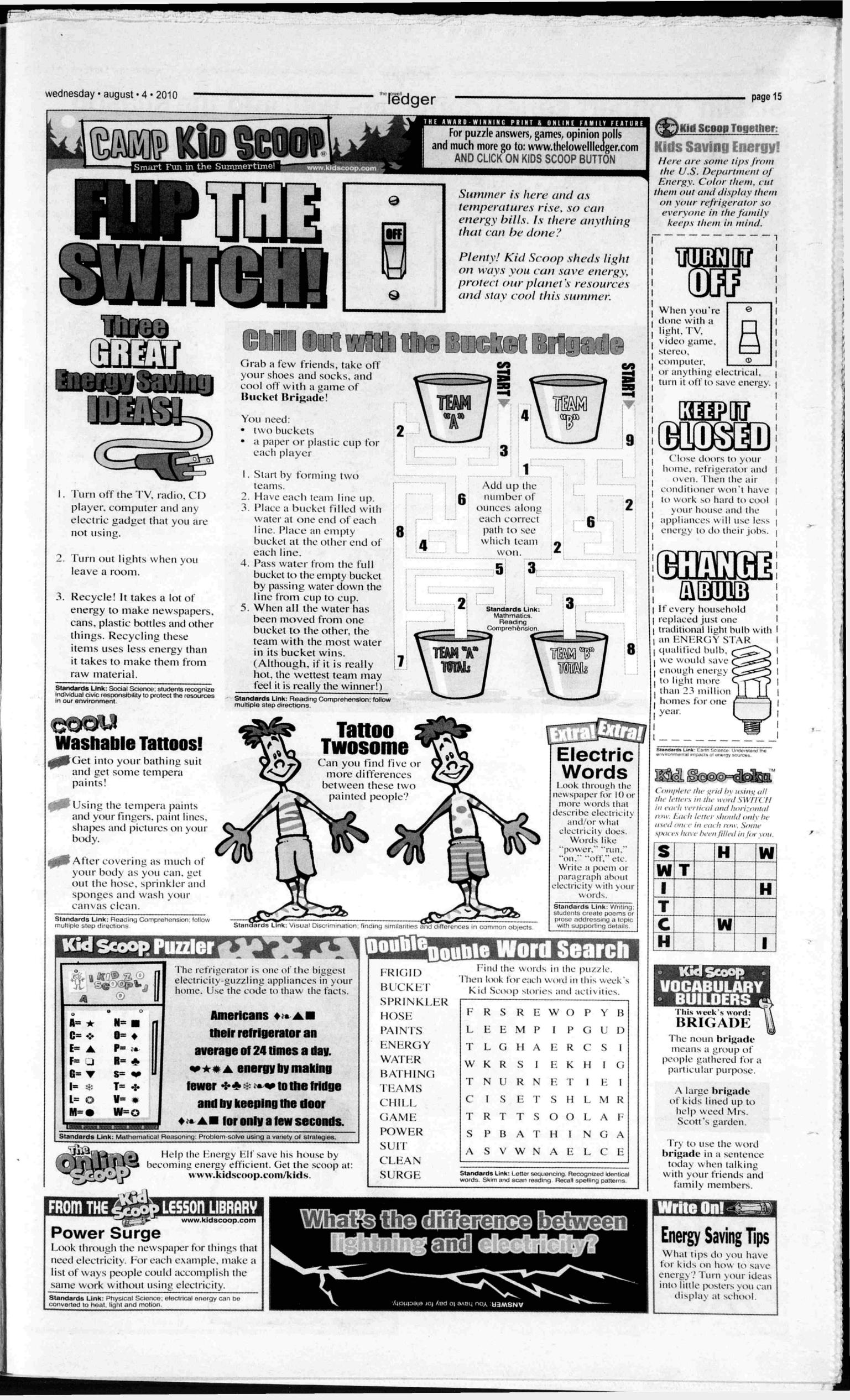
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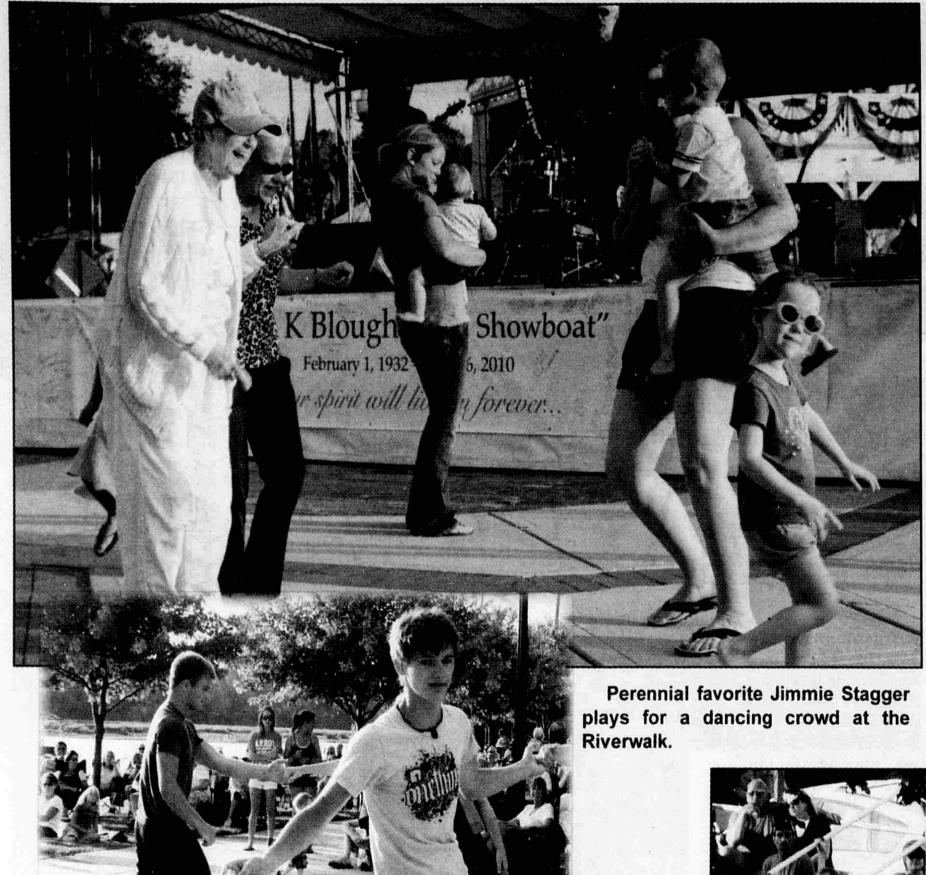


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Sizzlin' concert series continues well into the season



With half of the summer gone, the concerts are picking up in attendance and intensity. Last week, the Jimmie Stagger Band performed on the Riverwalk stage to a great audience.

Stagger showed off his guitar playing skills and a

big rich voice. Stagger is being compared to a compelling storyteller who makes you feel his pain and share his joy.

The next concert is the Eyde Evans Hyde & MacNaughton trio on Aug. 5. The band been has performing jazz, blues and pop music for over 20 years in West Michigan,

Los Angeles and Asia. MacNaughton Boulevard musicians: Charles Hoats (bass), Mike Hyde (guitar), Mike VanLente (drums) and Roger MacNaughton (piano), join Eyde regularly for public and private performances.







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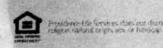
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