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# Sweet farewell to the fair

by Emma Palova

a fair to remember. Some will remember it for 90-degree temperatures, others for their kids having fun, but adults

well-auctioned off animals, and yet others for their welldeserved colorful ribbons.

And it wasn't just

Luke Carroll rides the carousel with grandfather Dave Fehlig.

too enjoyed the country atmosphere. Janet Pallarido of Lowell came to the fair with her two other friends to try the rides and sample some elephant ears. However, at \$5 an ear, Pallarido ran out of money. But, the good people of Lowell and Caledonia helped out. Kelly Martin, with sons Cavan and Nathan, picked up the balance so Pallarido could have an elephant ear with apple compote. Cavan is being deployed to Afghanistan on Sept.1.

"We come here every year," said Martin. "We like the local flavor."

What would the local flavor be without some sarsaparilla homemade soda in a tin mug at Bayou Billy's.

Franchise owner Jim Tucker of Niles has been coming to the Kent County Youth Fair for the last three years and he has been traveling around

> Farewell to the fair, continued, pages 8 and 9

# Bridge replacement project on target for Oct. 1 completion

by Emma Palova

The downtown bridge replacement project over Flat River is on target for Oct. 1 completion. The water in the river has been brought back up to the regular height and the barges will soon be removed.

The project is within the \$1.4 million budget according to Darrell Heuker, Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) delivery engineer.

The project has been running smoothly except for the recent 90-degree But, the temperatures.



concrete gets poured at night. MDOT has approved plans for signage warning of the dam by King Milling. The permanent signs will be up within the next two weeks.

MDOT has been working around downtown events, such as the ongoing Sizzlin' Summer concert series. Biweekly progress meetings are held on Wednesdays at 1 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce.

Additional detour signing has been placed on Monroe, Washington and Jefferson

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### Genesis Code to premiere Aug. 27 in Lowell

by Emma Palova

Filmed in Lowell and Grand Rapids last year, the movie Genesis Code will premiere Aug. 27 in Ada Lowell 5 theater.

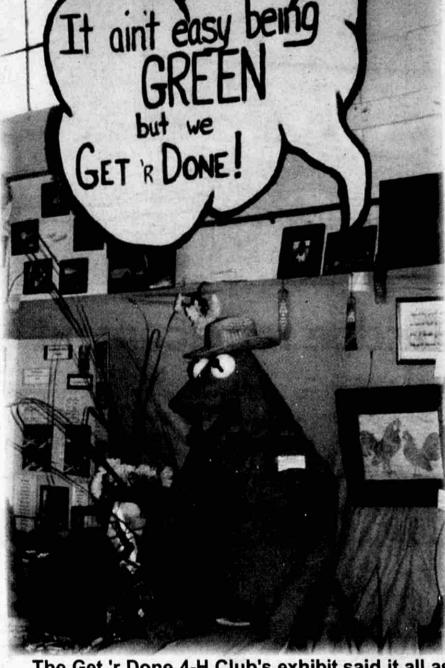
The public premiere follows the official release at the second annual Grand Rapids Film Festival held at Celebration North Cinema on Knapp's Corner along with 61 other movies from around the world.

The premiere preceded by months of private screenings and post-production process, as well as editing. A private screening was held in Lowell last fall. The movie was privately screened multiple times in Grand Rapids and in Wheaton and Peoria, IL.

The movie, directed by Patrick Read Johnson, is about a college hockey player and a female journalism student struggling to find common ground with their spiritual faith and scientific studies.

Genesis Code, written by Michael Leighton, stars Bartholomew as Logan Sanders Blake, Kelsey as Kerry, Louise Fletcher as Ellen Taylor, Ernest

Movie premiere, continued, page 3



The Get 'r Done 4-H Club's exhibit said it all as Green and Growing was the theme for this year's

#### City to adopt license fees for trash haulers and snowplow operators

by Emma Palova

The city will adopt license fees for garbage haulers and snowplow operators at the next city council meeting on Sept.

A brief discussion was devoted to the issue at the Monday night meeting.

The council was unanimous that the fees will be minimal and the intent of the ordinance amendment is not to make money but provide for safety of the city residents.

"This is not intended to be a money maker for the city," said councilwoman Maryalene LaPonsie. "We want to set a minimal fee."

Resident Al Mathews said the haulers will pass the fees on to the city residents.

"You want to take away recycling," he said. "When are you going to stop? Just set a small structure fee."

RepresentativesofFlat River Waste encouraged a small fee as well, much like the cities of Rockford and Kentwood.

The ordinance amendment will require

haulers to be licensed and insured.

"There will allowances for dates and pickup times," said city manager Dave Pasquale.

The ordinance amendment will limit the days so there aren't trash haulers on any given day in the city. The ordinance is intended for refuse hauling on a professional basis.

"This is for public safety," said mayor pro tem Sharon Ellison.

Along the same lines, the city will adopt fees for commercial snowplow operators on Sept. 7, after tabling the issue on Monday night.

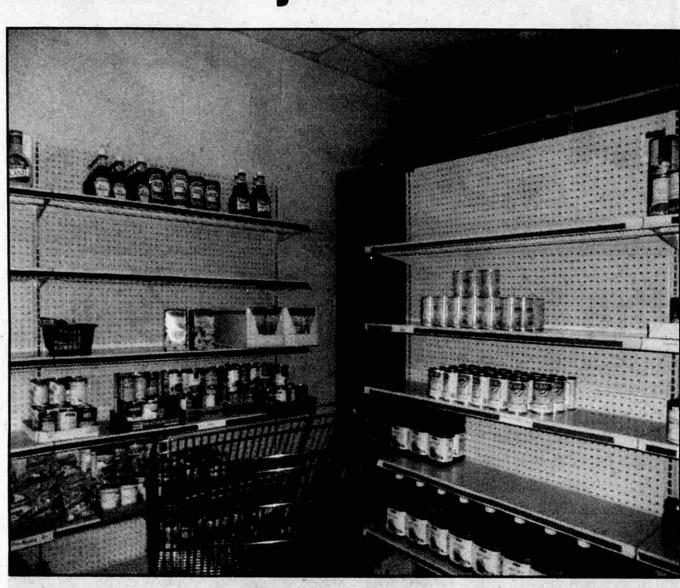
Resident Barb Barber questioned what kind of business constitutes a snowplower. Barber has a student plowing her driveway in winter.

"The intent is for people," commercial said mayor Jim Hodges. "Neighbor kids alright."

The ordinance amendment will regulate and license commercial snowplowers with trucks.

> License fees, continued, page 3

## Car dealer joins Pink Arrow Pride to help food pantry



Arrow Pride by helping to per month. bring community awareness to the empty shelves at pantry. The shelves are color The Flat River Outreach coded and stocked according

A pickup truck will be vegetables, protein, etc.). available, starting at noon, pantry they are given a chart on Pink Arrow game day at the Lowell Red Arrow that tells them how many The community is asked

bring nonperishable food items, toiletries and household cleaning products the food pantry helped 91 to the games on Friday, Sept. families, 41 of these came in pantry once per month.

Flat River Outreach

Due to heavy demand, FROM's pantry items are and hamburger/tuna/chicken quickly disappearing.

Harold Zeigler Ford is Pantry is currently serving through food: an average joining forces with Pink an average of 220 families family can choose four to five cans of fruit, this includes It is a client choice applesauce, fruit juice, or canned fruit. Every family gets one gallon of milk and a to the food groups (fruit,

The first week in August totaled 402 cans of fruit 91 gallons of milk, and 91

An average family's food food group based on the size box will help supplement their food supply for three to

Families can use the

The pantry's current For an example of how needs are fruit, fruit juice. Ministries (FROM) Food quickly the food pantry goes spaghetti sauce, cereal, soup, crackers, boxed potatoes,

## Bridge replacement, continued

streets, as well as AT&T on the east side to operate MDOT will review account Thursday, Aug. 19. Ninety April get go, has been placed vibration analysis based on conduit crossing on M-21. the dam, and street light records for outstanding pay percent of decking with on the fast track in order to site operations. Downtown A conduit has been placed conduits are also in place. items, according to Heuker.

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"We're ahead of schedule for deck pouring," said Randy

The decks will be poured

Wiers of Anlaan Corporation, delays with this project," 9. the general contractor for the said Wiers.

reinforced steel has been accommodate downtown municipal parking lots are completed by the contractor. events, such as the upcoming available for parking. The "There is no time for any Harvest Celebration on Oct. north side of the bridge is

When families come to the

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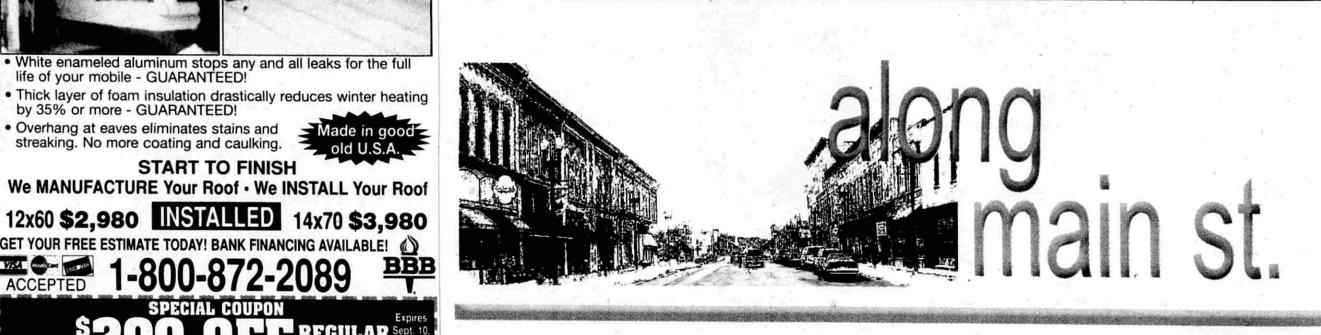
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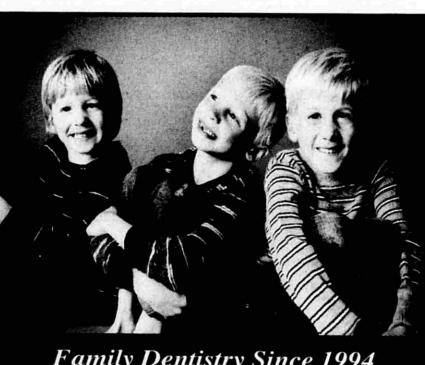
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Feel free to send your event information to the Ledger for Along Main St. All submission requests for Along Main St. are subject to space limitations. The Ledger makes no assurances that they will appear in print. To ensure that an event notification will appear in the Ledger, it is best to place a paid advertisement. All efforts will be made to place suitable items in the Along Main St. column but they are printed at the discretion of the publisher. For profit events, church services, yard sales and the like,

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#### "lëdger Movie premiere, continued

Borgnine as Carl Taylor and be cut down to two hours." Fred Thompson as Judge

the audiences were shown be done in the right order and all the possible scenes and each part requires a different handed out questionnaires to set of skills and steps.

During the market tests, building. Everything has to Larkin's in Lowell

Zandstra's two favorite be first

One of the rewarding

Zandstra likened the scenes were shot at the entertaining, combined with filming to building a large Patterson Ice Center and at an uplifting message," he

> The Grand Rapids and moments was seeing the West Michigan markets will movie all assembled together determine where the movie

the movie will work in the market place."

> Michigan. helped in filming the movie will also help in promoting

want to see if the movie is

working," said Zandstra.

"It's a true test whether

customers," he said. "It's up to people of Lowell and other theaters."

businesses involved. He is through Sept. 9. considering potential group King Milling, Flat River in the movie. Grill and Larkin's.

successful now that it's done," said Zandstra.

Zandstra wants to make a documentary based on the If the movie does well, making of the Genesis Code Zandstra wants to continue and possibly a new movie, to bring more films to West American Jihad.

Genesis Code came Zandstra is hoping that within the \$5 million budget the Lowell community that and Zandstra is considering other projects as well.

"It's a pretty movie, thoughtful," he said. "It's "The success or failure not mindless entertainment is in the hands of the It encourages to do some

The movie will run for one week in Lowell, at 1:15 Zandstra would like p.m., 4 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and to have special showings 9:45 p.m., and at Celebration with the chamber and local Cinemas, from Aug. 27

Zandstra said if the movie nights with discounted works it will continue to play tickets at some of the places longer. Zandstra, who is a used in shooting, such as real life pastor, plays a pastor

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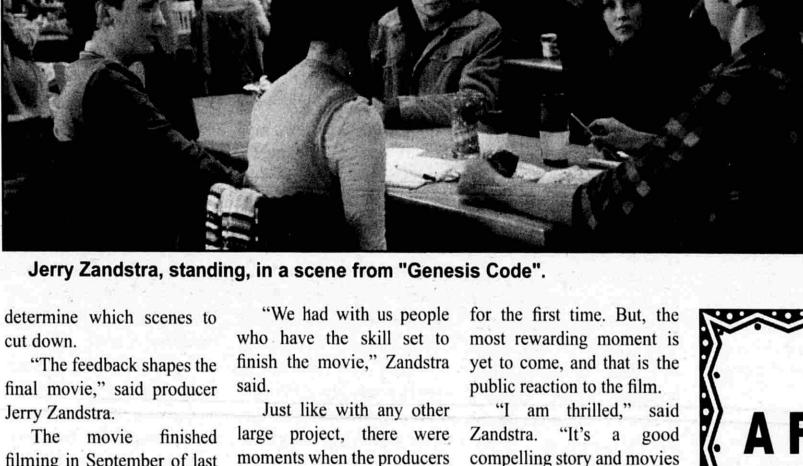


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year, but most recently the felt like walking away from have to be good stories at the sound and music were put the film or giving up. n, as well as front and end

Zandstra. "You end up with

Mathews was concerned

about little guys and himself

when he comes into town to

load snow and plow three

stopped if I am running

my snowplow," he said.

"There are 10 snowplowing

businesses in town. License

them for a minimal fee.

that I don't need."

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driveways.

end of the day." "We had good people The movie also delivers and we knew we had a good a certain message which

"It's a lot of work," said product," said Zandstra. is in the spirit of the Grand "Working toward a good end Rapids Film Festival. 100 hours of film that has to helped us push through it."

License fees, continued

snowplowing ordinance license provides the right causes the most problems. to use for Safe Pathways to "We're not supposed schools. to be making money off of this," said councilman Jeff said Hodges.

"I don't want to get Altoft. The city will add a approved a raise in surcharge section to the ordinance that for sanitary sewer applicable will state when the license to one business only. is not required.

don't want to buy something people," said Ellison.

The ordinance will commercial businesses "I want to make it more and Creekside Park. The clear to make people a little

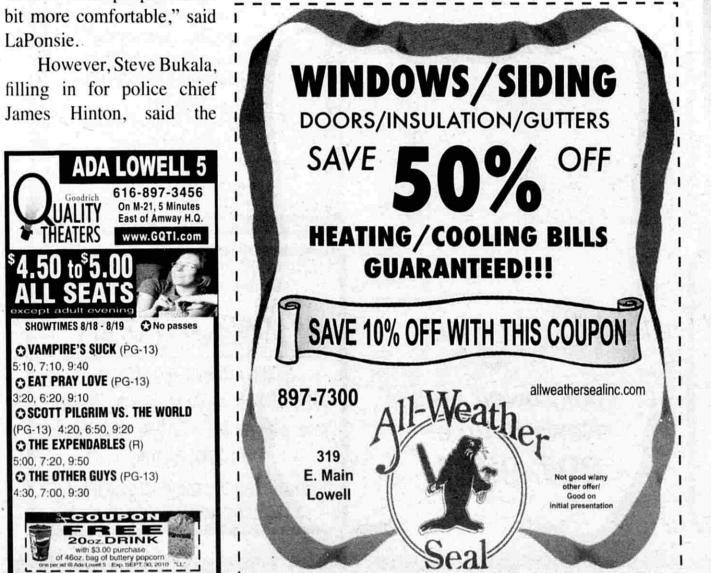
Christoff for a pedestrian path between Foreman Road flexibility," said Pasquale.

agreement with Wendell billing

The city will bid out "It protects private trash hauling, including biweekly recycling, with the In other business, the city doing the billing and city renewed a five-year without the city doing the "It gives council

"It moves kids safely,"

The city council also



## Long-range financing outlook remains unchanged for Social Security

Trustees today percent of benefits. financial health of which tax revenues will fall the Social Security Trust below program costs comes Funds and the long-range in 2010. Tax revenues will outlook remains unchanged. again exceed program costs The combined assets of in 2012 through 2014 before the Old-Age and Survivors permanently falling below Insurance, and Disability Insurance (OASDI) Trust year sooner than the estimate Funds will be exhausted in in last year's report. 2037, the same as projected 2010 and 2011, be less than tax revenues in 2012 through than in last year's report. 2014, and then permanently earlier than estimated in last year's report. The worsening

Trustees announced:

downturn.

of the short-range outlook

which the combined Trust as the estimate in last year's message that it's time for us report. At that time, there to make the tough choices will be sufficient tax revenue that we know we need to

Security coming in to pay about 78

The projected point at program costs in 2015 - one Other highlights of the

The projected actuarial deficit over the 75-year longrange period is 1.92 percent of taxable payroll - 0.08 percentage point smaller

Over the 75-year period, the Trust Funds would require additional revenue equivalent to \$5.4 trillion in present value dollars to pay all scheduled benefits.

"The impact of the

current economic downturn continues to be felt by the Social Security Trust Funds," said Michael J. Astrue, Commissioner of Social Security. "The fact that the The projected point at costs for the program will likely exceed tax revenue this year is not a cause for panic comes in 2037 - the same but it does send a strong

Obama for his creation of the Deficit Commission so we can start the national that Social Security remains a foundation of economic expenditures. security for our children and

Trustees Report include: Income including interest

to the combined OASDI Trust Funds amounted to Four serve by virtue of their \$807 billion (\$667 billion in positions with the federal net contributions, \$22 billion government: Timothy

the combined OASDI Trust Funds amounted to \$686

Funds increased by about positions are currently vacant. total of \$2.5 trillion.

by Social Security and paid both trustee nominees. Their

Social Security paid were about 53 million TR/2010/.

make. I applaud President beneficiaries at the end of the calendar year.

The cost of \$6.2 billion to administer the discussion needed to ensure program in 2009 was a very low 0.9 percent of total

> The combined Trust Fund assets earned interest at an effective annual rate of 4.9 percent in 2009.

> > The Board of Trustees is

comprised of six members. from taxation of benefits and Geithner, Secretary of the \$118 billion in interest) in Treasury and Managing Trustee: Michael J. Astrue. Total expenditures from Commissioner of Social Security: Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary of Health and Human Services; and Hilda the L. Solis, Secretary of Labor. combined OASDI Trust The two public trustee \$122 billion in 2009 to a President Obama nominated two individuals to serve an as public trustees, and the million Senate Finance Committee people had earnings covered held hearings on July 29 for

confirmations are pending. The 2010 Trustees Report benefits of \$675 billion in will be posted at www. calendar year 2009. There socialsecurity.gov/OACT/

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#### Acute pelvic pain in women

abdomen or pelvis. It is acute if you have had it for less than three months. It is chronic if you have had it for three months or longer.

the pelvis and lower part of the abdomen. These include reproductive organs fallopian tubes, urinary tract. These organs can have problems that may cause acute pelvic pain. The most common serious causes

disease (an infection in your reproduction organs). This happens in women of reproductive age and is usually caused by a sexually transmitted disease. It can have pelvic pain and one of cause infertility if not treated these symptoms. You may

 Ovarian cyst (a fluid- imaging studies. Usually, an filled sac that can grow on ultrasound is done to assess the ovary). It is often related the organs of the pelvis.

Pelvic pain is discomfort to your monthly cycles. If the cyst ruptures, it can cause pain and internal bleeding.

· Appendicitis (swelling of the appendix). The appendix is a small pouch that sticks out from There are many organs in the beginning of the large

 Ectopic pregnancy (a pregnancy that grows in a fallopian tube or ovary)

 Endometriosis. This the lining of the uterus is found outside of the uterus. Pelvic inflammatory usually in the pelvic cavity.

include vaginal bleeding. dizziness, fever, nausea, doctor right away if you need laboratory testing or

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Not long ago, I spoke billion investment aimed at to some of the brightest electrifying - literally and scientific, engineering and metaphorically - the U.S. business minds in the nation transportation sector. at a National Academies of Science conference in from over. The next crucial Livonia on the future of step is figuring out how electric vehicles. I want to to make electric vehicles share with you some of the affordable and sustainable

future and the nation's. accomplished a lot when it vehicles so that they're not comes to bringing electric just for the wealthy and vehicles to market. The environmentally conscious. federal government invested more than \$2 billion in who are stretching advanced batteries and paychecks to make ends the associated technology we need to make mass- drivers who have spent their market electric vehicles a lives knowing there's a gas

Looking

Back

But the work is far thoughts I shared with them in an economy that has because I believe this topic spent more than a century is crucial to Michigan's shackled to oil.

How do we bring down we've the cost of these electric but affordable to families meet? How do we give reality. That's part of a \$5 station every mile down the

road confidence that they'll be able to recharge these new vehicles? How do we give them batteries they'll depend on?

There is so much to do –

so many challenges ahead of us, now that we have turned a corner on the road toward electric vehicles. There is a common denominator running through all these challenges: the need for the determination to see things through. We need the determination to support research and development of the technologies that will make electric vehicles practical; determination to build the recharging stations other infrastructure drivers will need: determination to find ways to generate the electricity to power these vehicles without adding even more carbon to our atmosphere.

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to be made-up.

# financial focus



#### Can you save for

As another school year 401(k). Since many people approaches, you may be don't thinking about the day in funds available to save for which you'll be sending your retirement and college, it's children off to college. Can important to get the most you afford to help them pay mileage possible from the for school while still saving money invested. Try to

for your own retirement? There are many strategies options to consider:

75 Years Ago

The Lowell Ledger and Alto Solo

August 8, 1935

On Thursday afternoon the entire cast of the

Showboat turned out for a final rehearsal with

McKinney's Cotton Pickers. This was called for two

o'clock; the Cotton Pickers showed up at 5:00. The

cast missed their supper but were served sandwiches

and coffee at the Gumser residence where they met

were jammed with cars when the fire siren screamed

out its alarm and the new engine, less than a week in

service, was taken through the crowded streets out

The crowd was clear of the bleachers and the streets

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utilize the tax-advantaged to explore when saving available to you. For starters, for your retirement and contribute as much as you your child's education. can afford to your 401(k) or To implement the right mix other employer-sponsored of options, it's important retirement plan. Not only to discuss your situation can your earnings grow on a with a professional financial tax-deferred basis, but your advisor, but here are some contributions are generally made with pretax dollars, • Contribute to your so the more you contribute, the lower your taxable income - which, in turn, could give you more disposable income to invest for college. In 2010, you can contribute up to \$16,500 to your 401(k), or \$22,000 if you're 50 or older.

 Fund your IRA. Depending on your income level, your contributions to a traditional IRA may also lower your taxable income, again potentially freeing up resources for college. Plus, your earnings can grow tax deferred. If you qualify for a Roth IRA, your contributions are not tax-deductible, but your earnings grow tax free. Withdrawals are also taxfree, provided you've held your account at least five years and you don't start taking withdrawals until you're at least age 59?. Also, you can withdraw Roth IRA Advisor. contributions without paying

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taxes (since you've already

been taxed on this money),

so you could use these funds.

if necessary, to help pay

for college costs, although

ideally you'd like to leave

state's plan. Also, the lifetime contribution limits for 529 plans are quite generous, and you can gift \$13,000 per year, per beneficiary, without incurring gift taxes. To make sure you understand the tax ramifications of a 529 plan, you'll want to consult with your tax advisor. It may not be easy to

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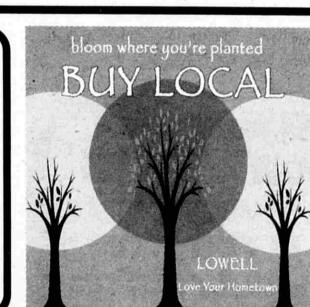
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# By Shelly MacNaughton

125 Years Ago The Lowell Journal August 12, 1885 Ionia is sadly afflicted with typhoid fever.

Dr. Malcolm and his wife are expected home from the west this week.

The hail storm did damage to crops in Keene, Grattan, Vergennes and Ada. Mr. Lewis Bolter has bought the John Coppens

house and the lot just north of Orton Hill's. Mark Twain thinks the Grant family will realize \$500,000 from the sale of the late General's book.

#### 100 Years Ago The Lowell Ledger August 11, 1910

Headline: Hit by Electric Car

Mrs. Dewitt Hunter was seriously injured by an interurban car at Jenison, Sunday night while waiting for a Grand Rapids car. She was just stepping from the track to the platform when a car which she supposed was the one she was to board came along. It proved to be a flyer and did not stop, but struck Mrs. Hunter, throwing her 20 feet, against a post from which she bounded back 2 ft. Her collar bone was broken, her hips hurt and her face badly bruised up.

Lower Grand River bridge is undergoing extensive repairs and all south side traffic goes via the upper business across the street to a building that occupied bridge.

#### into the country to the fire on the old Sweet farm. 50 Years Ago The Lowell Ledger

August 11, 1960

Monday evening the Lowell Area School Board authorized Superintendent Stephen Nisbet to procure preliminary plans from architects, Campau and Crowe for an elementary school in the Alto area. Harold Metternick of the Alto School Board was in attendance at the meeting and asked what the Lowell Board's plans were for the area around Alto if those districts should join the Lowell district.

The board pointed out that any building would have to be voted by the people of the district but that the board was favorable to establishing a school with kindergarten through sixth grade in Alto.

#### 25 Years Ago The Grand Valley Ledger August 14, 1985

G. Ralph Townsend, a Lowell Main Street merchant for 54 years, passed away suddenly at his home last Thursday evening. He was 80.

Townsend opened shop here on April 1, 1929. He sold and serviced Goodyear Tires and Grant Batteries out of the building on the levee that now houses Modern Photographics.

Two years later, the Townsends moved their the site Lambert's Variety Store is now located.

# **Letters To The Editor:**

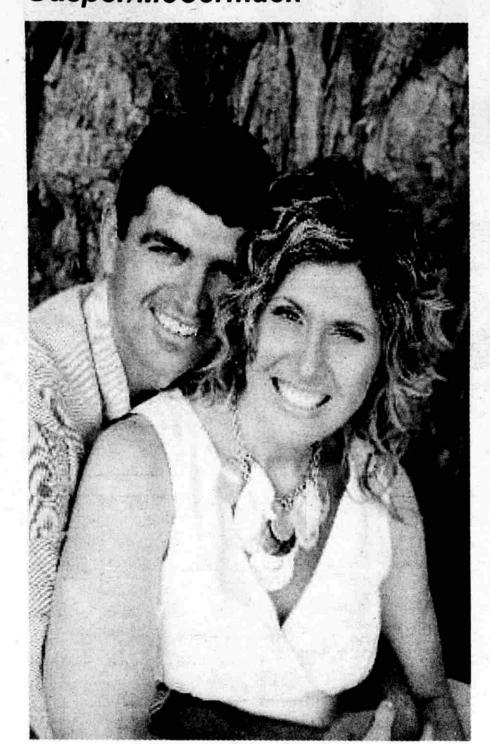
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#### engagements

#### Gasper/McCormack



Maddie Gasper and Jason McCormack

Maddie Jo Gasper of Lowell and Jason Allen daughter of Ken and Jane McCormack of Sunfield will Gasper of Belding. The be united in holy matrimony groom-to-be is the son of We would like to pass along on September 25, 2010 at John and Kathy McCormack St. Mary Catholic Church, of Sunfield.

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> Dealing with grief and loss

**Lowell Program** 

Everyone deals with

thing is to allow yourself

of the same person.

A death in the family time to feel whatever it is s felt by all members. So that you are feeling rather too is the death of a town's than "bury" those feelings. If "family member." A town is tears and sadness come, let deeply impacted whenever them come without forcing they feel the loss of a known yourself to stop or avoid and cherished member of the · Along with the feelings community or even hear of of sadness and loss, allow someone in their community who has died. We recognize yourself to reflect on the moments and memories of the Lowell community has the times you had together. experienced a great number Special occasions and community member

holidays can be especially deaths in a brief period of difficult. Give yourself time and it has an impact. permission to feel the sadness At Gilda's Club, we honor of not having your loved one the full range of emotions including those feelings of present for these occasions; and, look for new traditions sadness, grief and loss. As and opportunities to honor part of our journey in life, we will all experience grief and loss. And, we believe it is important to take the time to

 When those around ask, "What can I do to help?" grieve in the midst of losses don't be afraid to tell them whether for a dear friend or what you need or ask them loved one, or someone you to listen to you as you talk might not have known as through your feelings. This well. There are many ways to is a time to draw on their deal with the grief which are strength and their desire to part of the healing process.

 For some individuals. the following thoughts that it is helpful to plan a healthy may help after experiencing distraction with taking time away by visiting family or

· Be gentle on others. grief and loss differently, Well-meaning friends and even when grieving the death family members may provide advice or comments that There is no "right way" don't "feel right" for you. to grieve; yet, the important

· Be gentle on yourself.

acknowledge.

 Be good to your body. Avoid excessive use of food, alcohol, or medications to "make it through." Equally, be careful of keeping yourself so busy you don't have time

 Reach out. Being with others who understand and are going through the same thing is often the best source

At Gilda's Club Lowell we offer adult grief support for cancer-related deaths Our children's programs are for grief of any kind of death. If you are dealing with cancer or grief, we invite you, your family and friends to contact us at (616) 897-8600.

As a final thought, we Gilda's Club Lowel would like to invite you please join us at 314 South Hudson Street on Tuesday August 31, 5:30-7 p.m. for Remembrance and Hope, an evening in which we will

take time to reflect on the lives of our loved ones and those in our community who have died. Bring your family and friends and pictures or special objects that remind you of them. We invite all to join us for this special

gathering.

Remembering honoring those who have died is an individual journey that has no set time limit; in fact, many people find that some portion of grief stays with them for the remainder of their lives. Acknowledging you will never "get over it" does not mean a lifetime of unresolved sadness, it actually helps us accept that grief and loss are a normal part of living life.

Gilda's Club is in Lowell at 314 South Hudson Street, thanks to a special partnership with The Pink



# happy **birthday!**

**AUGUST 18** 

Brown,

Wierenga.

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**AUGUST 20** 

Mattie Dalziel, B.J. Rittersdorf Holloway, Andrea Bryant, Kaczanowski, Edwin Roth

**AUGUST 21** 

Madelyn Charlene DeShane-Dalga Tim Aksamitowski, Joshua Chamberlain, Tom Barnes. Charley VanKeulen, Betty Ethan Shindorf, Katelyn Videto, Emma Yeiter.

> **AUGUST 22** Mike Blough, Shane Teelander.

# The season ends for summer softball

Lowell Xtreme Softball finished another great season of girls' travel fast pitch softball at the Storm Classic tournament in Holland on Aug. 7-8. The 16U team placed first in its division to end their season with a 19-8-4 record, including a second place finish in Bellevue. The 14U team finished first in Holland and Byron Center ending the season with a 21-5-4



Teams, counterclockwise, 12U, 14U and 16U.

Lowell pitcher plays in Big

League World Series in Kalamazoo

District 9, 16 to 18 year-old girls, secured berth to the championship game with a 7-1 record in pool play. Lowell pitcher, Morgan Groom, was youngest

on the team and helped out pitching and playing shortstop. A 14-4 explosion

against the all-stars of the Philippines won the championship Wednesday

night which was televised on ESPN2. This was the 30th year the world

championship has been held in Kalamazoo. Young women from Canada,

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the St. Louis tournament and had a final record of 12-12. Lowell Xtreme proudly nosted 24 teams Creekside Park and Cherry Creek on in July for the fourth Maggie Hilbrands ournament.

record. The 12U

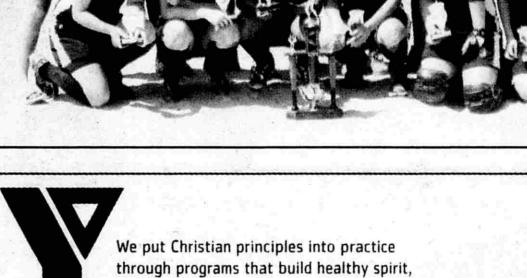
girls, in their first

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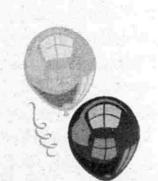
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Brian



Live swine auction honors memory of young Caledonia boy

# Farewell to the fair, continued

Michigan and starts out of soda pops. the season in February in Florida.

If you buy a tin mug bad water," said Tucker. with soda from Tucker. you'll have a nice souvenir wine, orange zippy, cream and \$1 refills for the rest of soda, root beer and birch your life. So, yes, Tucker beer, all together seven old- Debbie said. "They forget Murray Lake and McKenna does get repeat customers fashioned flavors. They their problems and come Yaw showed Holstein cow in various cities. And by are all aged four years and here to have fun. We have a Sunblock. the way, Bayou Billy really sweetened with cane sugar. blast."

"It just works," he said. in Lowell," he said. Once, he had a customer

the race for the finish.

alcoholic beer because of

"There are good people

He calls Fridays and

Pot belly pigs at the starting gate and swimming during

Photos by Emma Palova

last 13 years. Tucker does Sarsaparilla soda, made of a good day, Tucker can sell Berrien County Youth Fair. 12 festivals and events in sassafras, is the granddaddy around 400 refills.

His wife Debbie likes the Reath Barn was one busy "It all started as a low- traveling and hauling around place with first the auction on Bayou Billy. Sometimes they Thursday afternoon and then play a theme song. After all, He also has cherry it beats sitting behind the Utley showed his Holstein computer screen.

"I like the people," Friends Nikki Nugent of

And customers, much Rockford has been coming like the Tuckers, follow the to the fair with daughter

Andrea Galloway for four years showing horse Trixie. Galloway. "It's the hottest

various showings. Camden

cow Dolly on Friday.

time to spend together." Andrea values the time spent with her friends and showing Trixie. At seven, Briana Timmer of Lowell

week of the year. But, it's

with his soda stand for the come with a 1999 tin mug. Saturdays money days. On heat. Their next stop is at the uses her sister Carissa's ribbons for her explorer's Just a few steps away, project with her stick horse. "I like horses," she

> showed her Toby Lamancha goat for the first time.

> "He was good until he turned eight months," she

Olivia Griffin has been coming to the fair with her Beth Galloway of parents for as long as she slow ride.

"I like the animals and the rides," she said.

And of course, there was the ubiquitous balloon man, aka Joseph Wierenga, earning his college money by blowing balloons of various shapes.

"It helps me get through college," he said. Wierenga is majoring

engineering at Lawrence Technical University in Southfield. The most popular balloon shapes are poodles and swords said Wierenga.

"It is fast," said Elise

"We come to the fair

Maryalene LaPonsie.

who sits on the Lowell

City Council, said it was a

fabulous fair in spite of the

she said Monday night. "It

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does a lot for our city."

"It was a good time,"

awful heat.

Jim Tucker of Niles by his

every year," said Fehlig.

Elise and Henry of 2006 as an Explorer. Marshall took the Super In October of that year Paratrooper ride.

he was diagnosed with leukemia and one month Little Luke Carroll with grandpa Dave Fehlio later (Nov. 25) he passed away. boarded the carousel for a

by Thad Kraus

Youth Fair.

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barns at the Kent County

enthusiasm for the fair was bidding stopped Scooby large and small farm animals Sam Post made a lot of friends helping out in the

> Theresa, along with their toward reducing its debt.

Scooby weighed in at

His parents, Mike and fair in memory of Sam.

children (Jennie, Matt and been Sam's first year to the livestock development showed a pig in the summer Joshua) raised a pig (named show his own pigs and sell Scooby) and auctioned the them at the auction," said swine off. The proceeds Theresa Post. "He loved the benefitted the fair as it went fair and loved to help out in

honored at Thursday's live was resold six more times, auctioned off, bringing in a bringing in \$7,100 for the total of \$373,064.25. Of that, \$21,367.25 was resale which "This year would have benefits the fair, FFA and

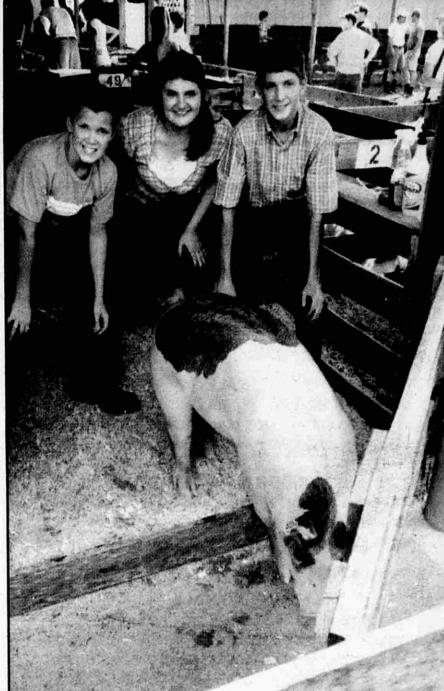
> The largest small animal single sale of the day came in the turkey division.

Cody Acker, Reserve Scooby was one of 232 Champion Meat Pen, stood 246 pounds and sold for swine to be auctioned off. in awe as his 39 pound bird was sold to Family Farm and Home for \$725.

The Lowell graduate secured buyers to bid on his turkey. Michigan Turkey Producer and Family Farm and Home did so in grand style before Family Farm and Home won the bidding

Lambs received the highest price per pound (\$2.99) of the large animals sold. Pigs brought in an average price per pound \$2.34, while feeder steers and steers brought in \$1.45 and \$1.41 per pound respectively.

In the small animal division, goats sold for an \$132.75; \$45.83.



Joshua, Jennie and Matt Post (left to right) gather around Scooby prior to his livestock auction which was in memory of their late brother Sam.

# memory and \$6 a pound. Before all the There were a total of 520

Cody Acker stands and waits with his turkey as secured buyers' bid and did not stop until the price reached \$725. Photo by Thad Kraus

# Images from the fair, continued



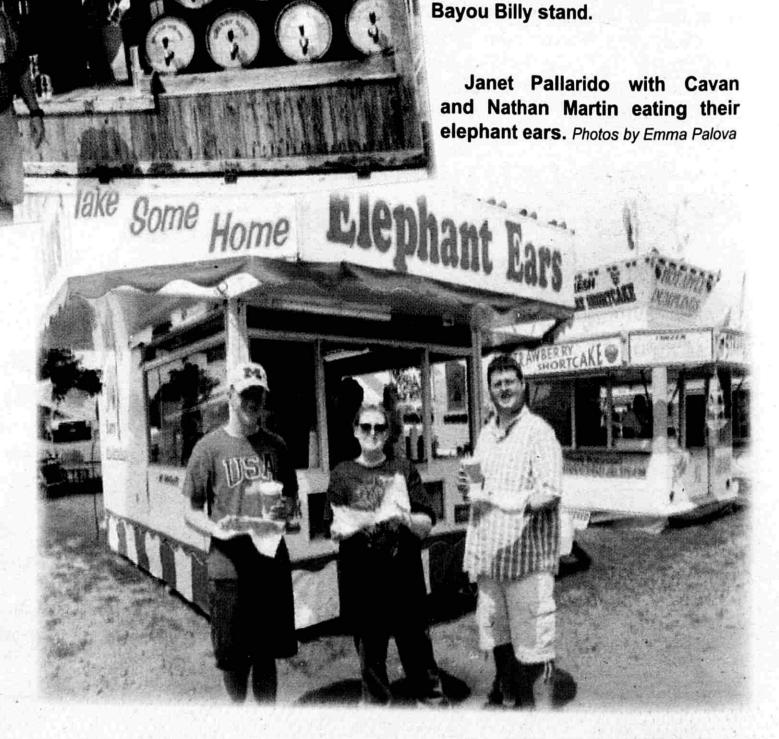
Sweepstakes winners, front row, left to right: senior winner, Kristin Bielema and junior winner, Emily Biermacher; back rows, left to right: Beth Schuitema, Lindsey Blodgett, Calina Mills, Sarah Crosby, Clara Harding, Jarren Harkema, Cody Acker, Lindsay Klomparens, Elle Madsen, Kendra Merriman, Hannah Johnson, Alexandria Schut, Zoe Beloncis, Sam Lauer, Allison Oesch, Lydia Reyburn, Sarah Oesch and Kendall Hewitt. Photo submitted by Bruce Doll



Camden Utley with Holstein Dolly. Photo by Emma Palova



The "Balloon Man," aka Joseph Wierenga, shows off Photo by J. Boss





With the "green" theme there were several creative entries in the exhibition barn.



Everyone pitches in with the work at the fair. Photo by J. Boss



#### **MOVING SALE**

Aug. 21 & 22, 9-5 p.m. Furniture, appliances, pool, swing set, girls clothing, baby bed, picnic table & much more. Free stuff. Everything must go. 2309 Gee Dr., Lowell, 897-9167.

Fri. & Sat., Aug. 13 & 14 & Aug. 20 & 21, 8 - 5 p.m. Something for everyone. 9703 W. Clarksville Rd.

Aug. 19 & 20, 8:30 - 6 p.m. Dishwasher, daybed, young girls clothes, sport equipment & more. All priced to go! 9269 Morse Lake, Alto.

#### INDOOR MOVING SALE

Thurs. & Fri., Aug. 19 & 20, 9 to 5 p.m. Queen bed, furniture, exercise equipment, toys, clothes, & knick knacks. 10706 Cascade Rd. (between Hilton & Morse

#### **MOVING SALE**

Fri. - Sun., Aug. 20 - 22, 9-4 p.m. Lots of furniture, antiques, patio set, patio bar set, secretary, dressers, chairs, dining set, bookcases, wood toy bench, elec. Yamaha piano, large variety of kitchen items, 3 in 1 game table, tools, table saw, gas pocket rocket bike & much more. 3822 & 3836 Murray View Dr., Lowell.

#### MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE

downsizing homes. Women's clothes sz. 3-16 (casual, evening, business, namebrand), Christmas, Party Lite, Tupperware, books, too much to list. All priced to sell, rain or shine. Fri., Aug. 20, 9-7:30 & Sat., Aug. 21, 9-6 p.m. 9008 Alden Nash Se, between 84th & 92nd.

#### MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE

Aug. 18-20, 9 a.m. 5 p.m. 7970 McCords Ave., Alto.

#### **GARAGE SALE**

Thurs., Aug. 19, Fri., Aug. 20 & Sat., Aug. 21. 1701 Faith Dr., just N. of Main St. at Admiral. Everything priced to go. Some items free. Also perennials.

#### UNIQUE SALE

Apt. business work room, storage items, toys, furniture. E-mail lakeliving@charter.net or call 616-891-1840 for a list. Prior sales by phone only, stuff isn't there yet. 7995 Timpson SE, Alto, near 84th St. Fri. & Sat., Aug. 20 & 21, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

#### **EMPTY STORAGE SALE**

Aug. 18, 19, & 20, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Clothes, furniture, collectibles, household wares. 273 Donna, Lowell. No early sales!

#### MOVING SALE

Everything must go! Come out, look & make offer. Sat. & Sun. 8-? 10156 Centerline Rd., between Marble & Whites Bridge Rd. 616-890-2007

#### GARAGE SALE

furniture & other misc. items. 14150 Grand River. Lowell. Sat., Aug. 21, 9 to 5.

#### **ALTO GARAGE SALE**

Aug. 19 - 21, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. 12918 64th St., Alto. Woodworking power tools, other assorted tools, furniture, Dale Earnhart Jr. collectibles, clothes, shoes &

#### LIQUIDATION SALE

Most items 1/2 off, 12632 Grand River Dr. Friday only, Aug. 20, 9 to ?

#### YARD SALE

Aug. 20, 21 & 22, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Valley Vista Trailer Park, lot 76, Lowell.

#### **GARAGE SALE**

Pitching machine, head boards, kids TV center, Barbies, Pokemon, clothes - youth to adults & much more 901 N. Monroe, Aug 19 & 20, Thurs. & Fri., 10 a.m.

#### GARAGE SALE

Thurs. & Fri., Aug. 19 & 20, 8-? Crafts, supplies, movies, body building equipment, younger kids clothing, some adults, some antiques, lawn equipment, lawn tools & much more. 5594 Darby Rd., Saranac, between Peck Lake & McArthur.

#### **QUALITY SALE**

Antique & vintage glassware, collectibles, furniture. Old classical & jazz records. Forslund cherry cabinets, unusual items from international travels, back issues of Azimov & Hitchcock, plus lots of misc. Aug. 27 & 28, 9-5 p.m. 8125 Two Mile, E. of Honeycreek, Ada.

# Lowell Class of 1940 celebrates 70th reunion

The Lowell School Class of 1940 celebrated its reunion on August 12 at the Lowell Area Historical Museum. wonderful luncheon was catered served by the Backwater Cafe. The Class of 1940 had 77 graduates but only 17 are alive today. The class had more casualties in World War II than other class. Of the 1' classmates still alive,

Pictured are, back row, left to right: Esther Kamp, John Scripps, Marjean Fonger Brillhart, John Jasperse, Jack Tornga, and King Doyle; front row, left to right: Carroll Kyser, Helen Clark Blow, Inez Cole Craig, Barbara Dawson Schaffer, and Dorothy Wingeier Graham.

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husband, Homer, came the Arizona. Even though the have annual reunions for as the reunion to 19 people. longest distance to attend classmates are all in their long as someone is alive to Inez Cole Craig and her the reunion from Sun City, upper eighties they voted to arrange for the reunions.

> There is no old age. There is, as there always was, just you. - Carol Matthau

> > Oliver





# The Tale of the Troll, part XIX

trolls? Have you heard about of this world. the mischief the trolls are to piece these mysterious explosion of last week was thinking engagement. absolutely everywhere and fireworks rather than on the

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Have you seen the they are fun, crazy, and out trolls sneaking into Chimera

So for those of you happenings together? If caused by an overwhelming

ering opportunities

Sarah is 16 and comes

has two sisters and a five

lend a hand

International exchange students

coming to Michigan this fall

exchange program is inviting whom she loves very much

local Lowell families to She loves languages and

host international exchange speaks English, German,

students for the 2010-2011 Latin and Turkish. Her family

school year. The teenage is originally from Turkey.

students come from over 30 Sevil's hobbies and interests

countries and attend local include playing volleyball,

high schools. The students cooking, meeting friends,

have their own spending playing the violin, musicals

money and insurance. Host and watching movies. She

families are responsible for is part of the drama group

meals, a place to sleep and at school and really enjoys

a nurturing environment, acting and participating

STS Foundation has a in musicals. Her parents

local coordinator that will say that she is a polite and

supervise the student and responsible teenager who

support the family throughout loves to cook and will be a

the school year. Here are a real asset to her new host

Silvia is 16 and comes from Onsala in Sweden. She

She has an older brother year-old brother. Both of her

few of the incoming students family.

that are requesting families:

from Piedmont in Italy.

with her parents. Her dad

is a technical employee at

a textile plant and her mom

works at home. Silvia speaks

Italian and French. She also

enjoys playing the guitar,

listening to music, drawing

and reading. She has guitar

lessons twice a week. Silvia

also loves animals and owns

a parrot, three cats and a dog

that sleeps with her. Silvia's

dad writes that she is sociable

and has lots of friends. Her

English teacher says that she

is a sweet and polite student

who seems to love learning

new languages. Her favorite

subjects are biology, English

and Latin literature. She is an

from Solingen in Germany.

Her dad is a manager and her

mom is a pharmacist. Sevil

Sevil is 17 and comes

photography,

cooking,

A student.

local nonprofit has a three year-old brother

Design and Salon 206.

So it would seem that

you are just tuning into the amount of leftover fireworks PepTalk might be the one Troll Tales you might want being lit next to the bridge. who inadvertently tampered

parents are doctors. Sarah

speaks English and German.

Her favorite hobbies are

rythmic sports, gymnastics,

golfing, shopping, sailing

and playing the piano. Her

gymnastics team has won

a lot of championships in

Sweden. She trains 10 hours

every week in this sport.

Her teachers say that she

is a focused and motivated

student and always has a

other students from Europe.

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of gold and she is a high school senior, captain of the Lowell Area School event. cheerleaders and PepTalk's Hollie and Dave have causing? Have you started who are up to speed, the Butch and Walt might be top employee. PepTalk helps expanded their clothing line sell "pink" t-shirts each year and they have a state of the And maybe Peppy from to raise money for Gilda's art embroidery machine that Club. Peppy thought if she they can use to embellish put a special mixture in your clothing. Peppy loves to head over to the Chamber Thank goodness no one with the beauty products at the hair-dye she could turn to run the embroidery of Commerce and ask for was hurt and nothing was Salon 206. She innocently everyone's hair pink. She copies of the earlier chapters. damaged; a real pro set wanted all the trolls to have didn't mean for Gertrude's You also might want to walk up this diversion. And a fuchsia colored hair for hair to completely catch around Lowell and meet diversion it was because the big Pink Game coming fire. Oh well, Peppy loves all of the trolls. They are all troll eyes were on the up. Now Peppy has a heart anything to do with her high school and that is why she loves to help out burning old Gertrude's at PepTalk. If you haven't hair that she trudged over of. been to PepTalk lately, you to visit her calm and wise need to check out all the Grandpa Yoda at AIC fabulous changes made by Insurance Services. the new proprietors, Hollie course getting to see her

ever need to wear to any machine and sew on your business logo or any of the hundreds of Lowell logos PepTalk has to choose from. Visit them soon.

Peppy felt so sad about and Dave Jordan. PepTalk Grandpa was proving to

he had several customers waiting to see him. Yoda was such a knowledgeable troll regarding insurance needs that he had many trolls waiting to see him so they could switch over their insurance providers. Peppy didn't mind waiting because she loved to listen to Grandpa Yoda talk. His voice was so soothing and she loved seeing all the trolls leave his office happy and secure that their insurance needs were being taken care

Finally, when Yoda was ready to call it guits for the day he had to nudge his sweet little granddaughter awake and offered to take has everything you would be a challenge because her to her favorite place to eat, the Flat River Grill.

Unbeknownst to Yoda and Peppy, they were about to walk into a place brimming over with excitement from the explosion and all the high gossip. Ahhh - the fun continues, next week.

### **Bridge buck winners**

This week's Bridge Buck winners: the \$50 winner is Maegan Malone; \$20 winners are: Wendy Vriesma, Karen Noreen, Alecia Straub, Shantell Ford, Julia Van Veldhuien and the \$10 winners are: Lisa Sprague, Jen Estes, Harriet Latel, Pat Smith and Maddy Schram.

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for his many years of dedication to his players.

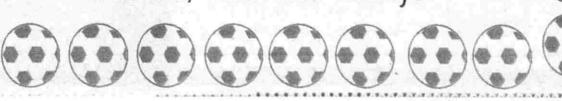
You have instilled in so many young athletes your knowledge and passion for soccer.

You have been a role model, teaching them the importance of hard work, perseverance and teamwork while still making the game fun.

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who will be dearly missed by all. Mass of Christian Burial

#### obituaries

#### **GERST**

E. Joyce Gerst, aged 76, of Lowell, died Wednesday August 11, 2010. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Pamela Ann Gerst, in 1977. She is survived

by her husband of 57 David Gerst: children, Susan (Peter) Rigas, David. (Leslie) Gerst, Mark Gerst; grandchildren, David (Angela) Rigas, David III, Molly, Meghan, Remington Marc Paulina Kathryn Levy, (Matthew) DeCamp. Nicholas Rigas, D.O. Susan (Steven)



McCleary; great-grandsons, Warner Rigas, Matthew, Grant, Garrett, Maguire, Jackson, Harrison and Peyton; sister Kay Hinkston; also nieces and nephews. She was a retired teacher from the Grand Rapids Public Schools Grandma touched so many lives with her kindness and smile. She was a loving, caring and generous person

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

**PUBLICATION OF** NOTICE OF HEARING

FILE NO. 10-001698-NC

and 10-188898-NC

In the matter of B.J. DELBRIDGE, JR.

TO ALL INTERESTED **PERSONS** including: whose address(es) are unknown and whose interestinthemattermay be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: hearing will be held on Sept. 9, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at 180 Ottawa Avenue. NW, Suite 2500, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 before Judge David Murkowski Johnnie Shaw whose the following

purpose: Petition for name change. 09/13/2010 the following:

Bill Johnson, MC 805 Leonard NE Grand Rapids, MI 49503 STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF KENT

**PUBLICATION OF** NOTICE OF HEARING

**CIRCUIT COURT -**

**FAMILY DIVISION** 

FILE NO. 10-188959-GA and 10-188960-GA

In the matter of JOHNNIE SE SHAW.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS including: unknown heirs address(es)

unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by

NOTICE: hearing will be held on Sept. 7, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at 180 Ottawa Avenue, NW, Suite 2500. Grand Rapids, MI 49503 before Judge David M. Murkowski (P35026) for the following purpose: to appoint a guardian and conservator for Johnnie Shaw.

08/12/2010

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

Michele Boley 121 Franklin SE Grand Rapids, MI 49507 616-248-1387



will be offered Saturday, 10 a.m., at St. Paul the Apostle Church, 2750 Burton St. SE, Msgr. Ernest P. Schneider presiding. Interment Findlay Cemetery. Visitation will be Thursday 7-9 p.m. at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, 305 N. Hudson, Lowell and Friday 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the O'Brien-Eggebeen-Gerst Chapel, 3980 Cascade Rd. SE, Grand Rapids. Memorial contributions may be made to Lacks Cancer Center, 200 Jefferson Ave. SE,

Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48859.

Grand Rapids, MI 49503 or Michigan Special Olympics,

Lawrence "Larry" Rich of Pompano Beach, Florida, passed away on July 22, 2010, at the age of 80 years old. He was born on March 22, 1930, in Chicago, Illinois, and relocated to Michigan in 1940, living in the Lowell area until 1973. As a youth he was fascinated with airplanes and developed a passion to fly. He earned his student. private, and commercial licenses on his sixteenth. seventeenth, and eighteenth birthdays. After 30 years as an aeronautical engineer, he and his wife, Margaret, started an Amway business. It was highly successful and for over 40 years they enjoyed total independence. They came and went as they pleased, spending six months in Michigan and six months in Florida. They traveled extensively. He enjoyed hunting and downhill skiing. He was 75 at the time of their last outing. His greatest source of pride was his family. He is survived by his wife, Margaret, of nearly 62 years; three children; nine grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by a brother and a son. A service will be held on Saturday, September 18 at 2 p.m. in the Alton Bible Church, six miles north of Lowell on Lincoln Lake Ave., 616-745-1316.

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RICHMOND

Mr. Jerrold "Jerry" Russell Richmond, age 74, of Lowell, passed away peacefully at his home on Thursday, August 12, 2010, in the care of his loving family following a short battle with cancer. Jerry was born to Harry and Irma (Eickhoff) Richmond on April 26, 1936, in Lowell and spent his entire life as a fourth generation dairy farmer in Vergennes Township. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Diane (Uzarski) Richmond in 1999; and brother, David Richmond in 2002. Surviving are his children, Benjamin (Karen) Richmond, Mark (Sherry) Richmond and Andrea (Dustin) Wirgau of Lowell, Alicia (Tim) Parker of Muskegon, and Elena (Brian) Scott of Greenville; brother, Robert (Linda) Richmond of Grand Rapids; sister-in-law, Mary Richmond of Lowell; sister, Mary Goggins of Northglenn, CO; seventeen grandchildren, with one more due to arrive this December; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Monday at St. Patrick Church with interment in St. Patrick Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Patrick School Endowment Fund or Hospice of Michigan. To read more about Jerry's life, to leave your own memory of him and to sign his guest book, visit his web page at: www.lifestorvnet.com

P.O. Box 128 • Lowell, MI 49331 897-9261

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# CITY OF LOWELL

**KENT COUNTY, MICHIGAN** NOTICE OF ADOPTION AND SUMMARY OF AN ORDINANCE **AMENDING ARTICLE II,** "COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL," TO CHAPTER 11, "GARBAGE, TRASH AND REFUSE," OF THE **CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE** CITY OF LOWELL

The Lowell City Council adopted Ordinance No. 10-02 amending Article II, "Collection and Disposal," to Chapter 11, "Garbage, Trash and Refuse," of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell on August 16, 2010. Ordinance No. 10-02 amends in its entirety Article II and provides for the licensing and regulation of waste haulers collecting and transporting solid waste including garbage and rubbish in the City. A copy of Ordinance No. 10-02 is available from the City Clerk at City Hall, 301 E. Main Street, in the City during regular business hours.

Ordinance No. 10-02 is effective 10 days after this publication



Betty R. Morlock City Clerk

#### office hours:

Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.- 5 p.m. Fri. 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. closed Sat. & Sun.

# classifieds

#### for sale

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4 BEDROOM - 3 1/2 bath home on 3 acres, Lowell. \$274,900. Details at www. forsalebyowner.com, listing ID#22664603

STOP \* STOP \* STOP -Don't send your student to school to sleep on someone else's "used" mattress. Brand new twins, \$100; fulls \$125. RCD Wholesale, 616-682-4767 or 293-6160.

BIG PINE ISLAND LAKE WILLOWS RESORT - 12 x 60 2 bedroom mobile home. Asking \$9,500 obo. 989-382-6053.

MEMORY FOAM MAT-TRESS - Digital number air sleep system. Dual chambers. with warranty. Queen, \$995 or king, \$1295. Call 616-682-4767 or 293-

SUPER SWEET CORN Self serve, 2750 LowellView. For large orders, please call 897-5545.

**DINING ROOM SET-**Solid oak. Butterfly leaf table, solid chairs. Like new, Cost \$1,200, sell \$650. Call 293-6160.

FLAT BED TRAILERS - 1 Tandem, low profile, 12', 12,000 lb. axles, re-enforced tailgate, \$1,200 obo; single axle trailer frame, 10'. 3,000 lb. axle, \$600 obo. Can be seen at 2417 Lowell View Ave. If interested call Bill, 616-262-6475.

PIANO - Upright, Grinnell Bros. Asking \$1,900 obo. Call 897-9303

MATTRESS - All new. Twin \$100; full \$125, queen \$150, king \$175 up. Pillowtop sets starting at \$175; bunkbeds, futon, dining room & bedroom furniture. Call 616-682-4767 or 293-

#### help wanted

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INTERSTATE CARRIER XPRESS - Great weekly pay & awesome benefits. Home every weekend. CDL-Aw/Hazmat888-880-5917x163

WINDOW/SIDING CRAFTSMAN NEEDED - top pay in industry, \$70 per window/\$80 per square siding, we supply materials. You must be a professional, great with a brake & an artist with your caulk gun. Full time. Call 616-648-7036.

DRIVERS - Company: OTR. Hazmat preferred! CDL-A, 2 yrs. exp. req. Benefits after 30 days. Buske Lines: New sign on bonus. Call for details, 877-613-6392 x299 www. buske.com

> SOUND OFF LINE 897-0787 Voice your opinion! (good or bad)

#### lost

FOR RENT LOWELL br/ba, upper apt. \$375 mo+ \$300 deposit. A/C, storage & trash Included. No smoking. No pets. 897-4829

for rent

HALL FOR RENT - Lowel Veteran's Center, 3100 Alden Nash. Newly remodeled, smoke-free, private great location & great rate www.vfw8303.org. Call John at 299-0486 or 897 8303.TFN

FURNISHED2BEDROOM HOME - on Campau Lake 10 miles SE of Grand Rapids. Sept. thru May. \$550 monthly plus utilities, 616-868-7214.

LOWELL MOBILE HOME PARK - Under new management. Nice 1, 2 & 3 bedroom trailers for rent. Rent from \$350 - \$550. For info call George at 616-754-0276 or 616-813-8041.TEN

PRICELESS STOR-AGE - Indoor/outdoor. New Units on Alden Nash, 1 mile South of 196. Call for specials 558-2900.

#### misc.

PIANO INSTRUCTION - Patient, experienced & popular & experienced performing pianisthas fall openings. Specializing in Jazz. Blues, Theory & Classical Ages 6-18. Ph. 897-9485 or MissMeowsic@msn.com

THANKS TO ALL MY FAN-TASTIC CLIENTS - for their patience and dedication this month with the closings on Kissing Rock, Flat River, N. Washington, Key Hill & Adaside. SALES ARE UP! Joice Smith, Country Hills Realty, 293-0980.

#### events

HOT OFF THE GRILL! Charcoal grilled pork loin or steak sandwich w/chips & pop. Every Sat. in Aug., 4-8 p.m. \$7. Come enjoy some summer fun! Ice Cream Caboose, 6300 Alden Nash Alto. 868-6602.

**HUNTERS SAFETY** 

COURSE - Qua-Ke-Zik Sportsman's Club will offer a free Hunters Safety Course beginning Aug. 23, continuing on Aug. 25 & 26. The class will run from 6-9 p.m. There is no age requirement & you must attendall3 sessions to earn a certificate. The class size is limited to 50 & will be first come first served. No pre-registration. The class will be held at 8731 West Riverside Dr. Our webs ite is www.Qua-Ke-Zik.org you need any additional

#### wanted

WANTED - Hunting land to lease. Lowell, Belding Smyrna, Rockford areas. Call Steve 897-6906.

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

#### services

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#### services

PAMPERED CHEF - Consultant, Kim Howerth, Ph. 897-6573 or 616-307-8432, hairbvkim@live.com.

WATSON'S HANDYMAN SERVICE - Decks, Doors, Drywall Repair, Misc. Repairs. Small jobs welcome. As always 10% senior citizen discount. Call Steve 897-6906.

**COMPUTER REHAB** -\$55 all repairs - Virus & Spyware removal. No diagnostic fees! Mon. - Sat., 505-B West Main, Lowell 616-828-5346, www. computerRehab.ws

LAMINATING SERVICE AVAILABLE - Next day service. Drop off & pieces will be available by 9 a.m. the next day. Lowell Litho. 105 N. Broadway, Lowell.

#### services

PIANO LESSONS - Piano teacher has a few openings available for piano lessons for children or adults. For more information call 897-7994 & ask for Ruth.

HORSEBOARDING-\$150 a month, stalls with pasture 100 X 200 outdoor arena Some trails and dirt road riding. Sherry 691-7489.

**BUSINESS CARDS - Be**fore you order your cards from somewhere else check our rates! Call Lowell Litho, 897-9261.

I WILL HAVE OPENINGS for 2 children for Fall school year. Next to Bushnell School. Hours 6-6. Addie Abel Daycare.

TAXES, PAYROLL QUICKBOOKS, & AC-COUNTING SERVICE by certified Quickbooks advisor. Call Kathy 897-

#### services

ZOOLAND DAYCARE HAS FULL TIME OPEN-INGS - on first shift. Call 897-8386 or 308-0195.

NEED A DUMP-STER? - Dudley's **Dumpsters. Dump**sters priced to get rid of your trash & save you cash! Garage, attic, household cleanup, roofing, trash, junk etc. 14 to 20 yards available. Call for free estimates. Contact Doug 616-295-6640.TEN

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Call for a price quote! 897-9261 When calling please have zip code, weight & dimensions of box.

BIBLE STUDY - Sept. - May

Tuesdays 9:30 - 11:15 a.m.

No church membership or

experience required. Bring

preschoolers for Story Hour &

Christian Reformed Church

M-21 across from Burger King.

A.D.D./A.D.H.D ISSUES

Tuesday, 7-9 p.m. at St. Luke's

Lutheran Church, 32156 4-Mile

DIABETIC SUPPORT GROUP

- 2nd Tuesday at Schneider

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

#7719 - second and fourth

BACK TO BASICS - every

Lowell. Closed AA meetings

- meets 2nd Wednesday at 6

p.m. at alternate locations. Visit

www.lowellareatrailway.org or

Lowell First United Methodist

Church, 621 E. Main St. (Use

west entrance off Jackson St.)

ALANON - Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

First Congregational Church

865 Lincoln Lake Ave, North

- 2nd Wednesday at 11:45 a.m.

Room, 725 Bowes Rd.

in Schneider Manor Community

7:30 p.m.

Non-smoking.

call Mari 897-5671.

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Broadway, Lowell.

with questions.

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First Baptist Church of Lowell has

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at distribution; Tues. - Fri., 9-5

p.m. at the church office with cash

or Bridge Card; or online with

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angelfood ministries.com. First

Baptist Church, 2275 W. Main,

Lowell. Call the church office at

897-7168 or Angie at 897-0420

with questions.

MI 49331 or in person: 105 N LOWELL AMATEUR RADIO ELLIS POST 152 - meets the CLUB - meets the 2nd Saturday fourth Monday at 3100 Alden at Flat River Outreach Ministries, Nash S.E. at 7:30 p.m. ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES 11535 E. Fulton, 9 a.m. social First Baptist Church of Lowell has gathering; 10 a.m. meeting. LARC made available new sign up times sponsors 145.27 MHz area radio for this great savings opportunity! Sign up: Aug. 31, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m at distribution; Tues. - Fri., 9-5

mals from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

THE EAST KENT COUNTY p.m. at the church office with cash REPUBLICANS (EKCR) - meets or Bridge Card; or online with the second Saturday of the month your debit or credit card at www at the Lowell Area Chamber of angelfood ministries.com. First Commerce (113 Riverwalk Plaza) Baptist Church, 2275 W. Main, from 8:30 to 10 a.m. to discuss Lowell. Call the church office at current events on the local, state 897-7168 or Angie at 897-0420 & national levels. Bring your concerns & issues to our meeting for open discussion! Share **GRATTANTWILIGHT CANCER** nformation about what you can WALK - Aug. 19. Grattan Racedo to become involved! For more way. Benefiting Gilda's Club of Information, please call Dave Lowell. Registration begins at 6 Emmette, 644-0759 or Nancy p.m. & walk at 7 p.m. Call Donna, Steckler, 897-6380. 616-481-1718 or visit www.grat-

an tlcwalk.com FLATRIVER OUTREACH MINIS-TRIES THRIFT STORE - is open PINK ARROW PRIDE "QUIV-Wed. - Fri., 10 - 6 p.m.; Sat., 10 ER" RUN - First annual 5k run/ a.m. - 4 p.m. at 11535 Fulton St. walk & Kids' Fun Run. Sept. 11 E. Thrift Shop, 897-8260, Food at Lowell High football stadium. Pantry 897-8260, Emergency 5k at 7:30 a.m. & fun run at 8:45 Services, 897-8260. a.m. Volunteers needed. Call Nancy Russell at 897-9303 or ALPHA WOMEN'S CENTER nrussell@lowellschools.com 2251 W. Main. Hours: Mon. 11-5 Register at www.classicrace.com

> p.m. 987-9533. Diapers, formula, clothing & free pregnancy testing AVERILL HISTORICAL MU-SEUM OF ADA - 7144 Headley, is open every Friday, Saturday & Sunday from 1 - 4 p.m. Also by

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**ALTO LIBRARY HOURS: Tues.** & Wed., 12 - 8 p.m.; Mon. & Sat. 9:30-1:30 p.m.; Thurs., 1-5 p.m. Info., call 647-3820.

appointment. 676-9346.

PLEASENOTE - Coming Events COMMUNITY GARDEN NEEDS ENGLEHARDT LIBRARY COFFEE BREAK/LADIES VOLUNTEERS - to help us, help HOURS - Mon.-Wed., noon - 8 others. We meet on Thursday p.m.; Thurs. & Fri., 9:30 a.m. - 5 nights, 6-8 p.mor later. Maple Row p.m.; Sat., 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

> AUG. 19 & 26 - MSU Extention party on Sat., Sept. 4 at Fallasburg children. There's an evening Program - "Sew Read - The Boy Park, 5 p.m. - 10 p.m. '73 grads and The Quilt Curriculum" at 10 & friends invited. More info close No children's class. Calvary a.m. with Katie Vanderklock. to the date. Saranac Public Library. FREE ADDICTIONS PROGRAM BRIDGEFESTPROGRAM-Aug. - every Friday, 7 p.m. at Bible

Believers Church, 404 N. Hudson with Mr. & Mrs. Bubbles the clowns St., Lowell. For more information GROUP - meets every third doing face painting & balloon anicall 616-485-2385.

AMERICAN LEGION CLARK- N.E. (at E. Beltline). Call Linda

ALTO AMERICAN LEGION Manor Community Rm., 9:30 AUXILIARY - meets the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at 897-9160. the Alto American Legion Post.

V.F.W. POST #8303 - meets the first Monday at 7 p.m. at 3116 Tuesday at St. Mary School,

LOWELLSHOWBOATGARDEN CLUB - meets the 3rd Monday in Tuesday and Thursday at the Church of the Nazarene Fel- 7:30 p.m. at 865 Lincoln Lake. lowship Hall, 211 N. Washington

BOYSCOUTTROOP 102 - every LOWELL AREA TRAILWAY Monday, 7-8:30 p.m. during school year in Scout Cabin at the end of N. Washington St. Ages 11 and up or completing 5th grade. Call Scoutmaster Randy Jesberg at 897-4569 or Del Rockwell at ALANON - Fridays at 8 p.m

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY TOPS MI #372 - every Tuesday at Key Heights Mobile Home Park Community Building. Weigh-ins

CUB SCOUT PACK 3188 - meets every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, LOWELL WOMEN'S CLUB

QUA-KE-ZIK SPORTS- MAN'S CLUB - meets second and third Tuesdays at 8 p. m. at 8731 FLAT RIVER WOOD CARV-West Riverside Dr. Go to www. ERS - Tuesdays at LAAC qua-ke-zik.org for information. 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. New members lew members welcome.

third Tuesday at noon at Lowell

KENT COUNTY YOUTH FAIR

BOARD-2nd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. at King Memorial Center at Fairgrounds. 897-6050.

man working as a telegraph

operator spent his every

spare moment buried in

science and technology

Thomas Edison, and he

combined that knowledge

with his own remarkable

vision and curiosity to begin

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highways, our economy,

and the lives of the millions

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His name was

ago, in Port Huron, a young determination, because I believe we have to fight and win – a revolution in transportation, for the sake of our economy and for the sake of our planet. That includes the determination not to allow oil producers to throw us off our course toward energy independence by slashing the cost of oil, a revolution that would as they've promised to do literally light the world. if we ever come close to breaking our addiction to their product.

Based on what we know today about technology development, consumer demand and government incentives, industry projections indicate that U.S. production of plug-in hybrid and battery-electric vehicles can reach 10 percent of new the process, that revolution vehicles by 2020.

But I asked those slow warming process that assembled scientists and engineers: "What would it us. take to double that goal or even to triple that goal?" I want them to tell us what they need to achieve a goal that could truly inspire a can make that happen. I nation. What would it take committed to them, and I to achieve a goal so bold commit to you, that I will that we can move beyond the do everything I can to give back-and-forth about a mile- them the tools and support per-gallon here and there on fuel mileage standards, and instead start on a truly revolutionary path?

## **DRAFT SYNOPSIS OF** THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOWELL **CITY COUNCIL**

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

**MONDAY, AUGUST 16, 2010** 

Motion to approve the regular minutes of the August 2, 2010 meeting as corrected.

Motion to approve the closed session minutes of the August 2, 2010 meeting as presented.

Motion to approve the accounts payables.

Motion to adopt the resolution to provide for the designation of September 17, 2010 as Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Recognition

Motion to adopt the ordinance amendment requiring licensing of solid waste haulers.

Motion to adopt the resolution to raise sanitary sewer surcharge rates.

Motion to adjourn at 8:12 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, September 7, 2010.

Complete minutes will be available after approved on August 16, 2010 on the City's web page at www.ci.lowell.mi.us or at City



Betty R. Morlock City Clerk

# A century and a half Someone in Port Huron had to say it!

Went fishing this past weekend in Wisconsin on year we have taken such a Lake Michigan with two of journey my brothers, a nephew, and one of his buddies.

getting up at 3 a.m. so we Day ritual could be on the boat by We are on the

> a large salmon or rainbow walleye and trout. trout can apply some strain

This marked the second

Fishing isn't new to us. As kids growing up, we We chartered a boat. fished with our father on the

We even traveled to salmon. Canada a few years and However, reeling in spent a week in search of While fishing with Pops

of fun, catching fish never equation. As we grew older, we boat.

labeled our fishing failures as the "Kraus Curse."

Last year, each of our man charter crew. first attempts at landing a salmon ended with the fish escaping before we got it into the boat.

The curse was on! The day got better, however, and by the time The most difficult task was small lakes. It was a Father's the charter boat had docked we'd boated 13 good-sized

There was no precurse it definitely was the most failure this year. The rain, which had been called for, experienced.

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amazingly missed us or never materialized and with seemed to enter into the few exceptions, a fish on the line resulted in a fish in the

> We caught our limit (25) plus five for the two-

The saying goes, "a bad day fishing is better than a good day at work."

So imagine how much better a day it is when you catch something!

Memories of fishing with Pops won't allow me to proclaim it the best time I've ever had fishing, however. prolific day of fishing I've



**AUGUST 11 - AUGUST 17** 

- China passes Japan as the second largest
- Defense secretary Robert Gates plans to retire in 2011.
- A Boeing 737 carrying at least 127 people breaks apart while landing in Colombia. One person is killed. There are reports the plane was hit by lightning.
- The United States and South Korea begin joint military exercises Monday, kicking off an eleven-day drill designed to, ensure the countries "alliance is fully prepared to respond to any potential provocations," according to a statement from U.S. forces in South Korea.
- More than 30 years after she was wrongfully accused of killing her infant daughter, Lindy Chamberlain-Creighton, is at long last requesting that the cause of death officially be changed on the death certificate to state that a dingo was responsible. She spent four years in prison before a piece of clothing was found that substantiated her story that a wild dog had killed her child.



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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 Ledger staff or its publishers.

To the owners of the creepy dolls at that burnt down house along Flat River Drive: If you don't remove them, I will.

Another great fair. Thanks to everyone involved and a special thanks for the pig races. What fun!

Sound Off poll result:

What is your favorite thing about the fair?

CARNIVAL	00
FOOD	189
ANIMALS	36
ENTERTAINMENT	
THE ATMOSPHERE	46°

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



First Family Makes

Some Healthy

Changes-So Can YOU

Mrs. Obama said that she fed her

kids on the run and didn't cook a

they'd better watch what they ate.

That's why she chose "Let's Move!"

To improve their health, the Obamas

made simple changes to their daily

activities. These included exercising

frequently, no sugary sodas, limiting

cooking family meals more often,

desserts except on weekends and

special occasions. Simple changes

like these can make a big difference.

Standards Link: Health: Know strategies that improve and maintain family health

your eating habits at an older age, so adjust when you're young.

foods you chose. Then see what your point total says about your choices.

COLUMN B

Carrot Sticks

**6**3

Green Beans

Today's Kid Scoop page uses a few big words that you may not

means. If you get stuck, use a dictionary for help.

know. Cut out the pieces and match them to reveal what each word

the process of

learning how to

Standards Link: Vocabulary: Use a dictionary to locate the meaning of words

Bread

8-15 points: Great! You're 16-24 points: Uh oh: You. 25+ points: Yikes! That's

socialization

the first step in

a process

Find out more about "Let's Move For Kids" and lots of other ways to get fit and healthy.

Visit: kidscoop.com/kids

Think Before You Grab!

candy, TV only on weekends,

eating out less and eliminating

COLUMN A

Cheeseburge

**Chicken Nuggets** 

**Turkey Slice** 

making some good choices.

initiative

pediatrician

Kid Scoop Puzzler

family meal very often. The

as her presidential initiative.

family's pediatrician told them

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# First Lady says, "Let's Move!"

The First Lady's message is to think before you grab that huge, loaded cheeseburger, with soda

and fries. Think about the calories. Think about the impact of it in 10 years. It's harder to change

Choose one item in each column on the menu below to make a meal. Add up the points of the

First Lady Michelle Obama's nationwide "Let's Move!" initiative is all about health and preventing childhood obesity. Kid Scoop's student reporter Veronica Talbert, age 11, wrote today's page after attending the kick off student press conference at the White House.



Color in one box for every 10 minutes you spend exercising

each day. Can you increase the amount of exercise each day'

**WEEK ON** 

**WEEK TWO** 

TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY

COLUMN C COLUMN D

9 \$ Soda Pop

Water

INITIATIVE

**DESSERTS** 

**TYPICAL** 

**PERFORM** 

**VENDING** 

**OPTIONS** 

**OBESITY** 

**HABITS** 

DAILY

**VALUE** 

**EVERY** 

**FRESH** 

COOK

**OVER** 

**KIDS** 

2

Ice Cream Bar

**Apple Slices** 

aren't making the best choices. one unhealthy meal! Try again.

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY

lëdger

Hold this page up to your bathroom mirror to read the

Mrs. Obama said obesity was when someone's weight gets over what it should be.

#### Call for Good, Fresh Food for **Schools**

The First Lady believes we need to improve the nutritional value of school Most

lunches today are packaged foods that are and reheated.

Mrs. Obama says we need to have healthier food, including produce, available in all school lunchrooms.

Lunch needs to be in sodium, fat and sugar. Vending machines need options

She thinks our schools need P.E. Some schools have completely taken out both! Recess and P.E. give kids socialization time and promote fitness and exercise.

Replace the missing words.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Use context clues



newspaper for foods that contain lots of sugar. Cut these out o the newspaper.

Standards Link: Research: Know that some foods are more nutritious than others.

TSET

Find the words in the puzzle,

then in this week's Kid Scoop

stories and activities.

HEYLIADLAD

RHDCOOKSVV

OPTIONSEEI

FRYPKEUHRN

REAYRLBIYD

POSVHSERFN

OBESITYTSG

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical

goes with the photo.

standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Fol imple written directions.

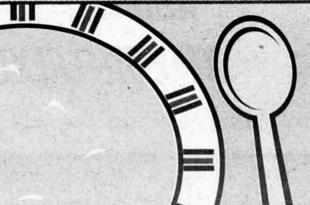
Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.



## **Food Jigsaw Puzzle**

In the newspaper, find a picture of a food and carefully cut it into six pieces. Give the pieces to a friend to see if he or she can reassemble

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written



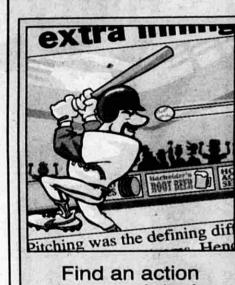
How do you make gold soup?

ANSWER: Add 14 carrots.

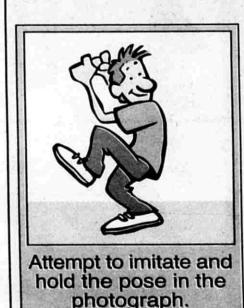
#### Write On! Let's Move The First Lady is

encouraging people to find fun ways to get up and move. Describe one of your favorite ways to include physical activity in your life.





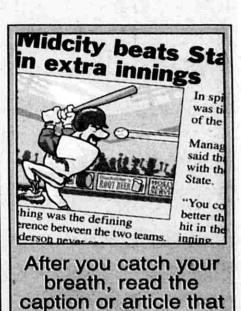
photograph in the newspaper.



Try not to laugh!



Have a friend try. Who can hold the pose longest?



Kid Scoo-doku Complete the grid by using all th



# CONTINUED!!

Hurry...while they last!

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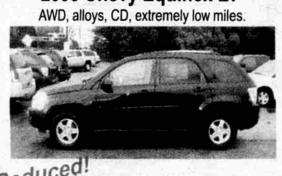


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