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'Real to Reel' museum exhibit recreates early movie era, shows history of Strand Theater

Have you ever wondered what movies were like long before electronic devices existed?

The Lowell Area Historical Museum's newest exhibit "Real to Reel at The Strand Theater" takes you back to the era of early films of the 1930s.

The exterior lit up marquee on the back entrance to the museum is a replica of the real Strand Theater now known as Larkin's Other Place.

The red carpet has been rolled out to welcome visitors to the vintage theatre lobby, with a ticket counter, old fashioned candy boxes of milk duds and raisinets and pop corn.

The lobby has a real projector that used reels, so every theater had two projectors for uninterrupted viewing. The first reel had a cue when to insert the second one just before the first one ended.

"So the audience didn't know the difference," said museum educator Luanne Kaeb.

A team of six men had to roll the projector, down Main Street to the museum, from the original Strand

old days, the projectors had

Theater built in 1928. In the to be placed in fire protected

rooms because flame was used for the lamps. "It was a dangerous

process," said Kaeb. The theaters had crying rooms for babies in the women's bathrooms and a

phone was in the lobby to

call your ride.

The exhibit theater has original seats, a smaller screen, but modern Dolby surround system. It can be rented for private movie parties with a stock of classic movies onhand, starring Shirley Temple, Mickey Rooney, Charlie Chaplin, John Wayne, Gary Cooper, Carole Lombard, Laurel & Hardy, Danny Kaye, Bob Hope and more.

The movie library also includes 50 newly remastered classic cartoons.

"People can also bring their own," said museum director Pat Allchin. "The theater has a vintage feel with new technology."

Unlike other museum exhibits, the "Real to Reel" is fully interactive.

"It's a great opportunity to have your own movie party

here," said Allchin, "and to experience the history."

Informational placed on the walls of the lobby will tell the story of the Strand Theater in Lowell and the classic movies.

It is a beautiful story of the evolution of entertainment from real vaudeville acts on the stage, that preceded the projection of a motion movie, to long awaited big movies like "Gone with the Wind."

Libby Callier Johnson, granddaughter of Harvey Callier, founder of the Strand in Lowell, remembers seeing "Gone with the Wind" 54 times in the 1960s. She worked in theaters in Belding and Saranac as a teenager.

"It's still my favorite movie," she said.

The atmosphere in the theaters was much like it is today. Johnson sold popcorn at the concession's stand and walked through the theater with a flashlight to make sure people were respectful.

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Museum director Pat Allchin in the vintage theater.

Lowell Township Planning Commission recommends zoning amendments to board

by Emma Palova

The Lowell Township Planning recommended for approval, to the township board, amendments to the zoning ordinance for agricultural and residential zones on Monday night.

The zoning ordinance regulates permitted and special uses in the above mentioned zones. Under dispute were mainly regulations in the rural residential zone (R-1) that would allow by right, farms, farm operations and farm buildings, livestock production facilities and off site manure storage and bio-fuel production facilities, that all fall under the state guidelines.

"We're adding new uses by right or by special use permit," said chairman Dave Simmonds.

Resident Sandy Miles Commission said she had a problem with allowing livestock production facilities in a residential district.

> "I am not saying prohibit farming," she said.

Miles suggested that regulations for residential districts should segregated from regulations in agricultural zones.

"I don't want 2,500 turkeys or a bio-fuel production facility near my house," she said. "You're allowing livestock facilities on four acres as a permitted use."

Michael Seiloff also favored special use for livestock facilities, rather than by right, in residential zones.

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Equestrians gallop toward another state challenge



After winning regionals last week, the Lowell equestrian team is on the way to the Michigan Interscholastic Horsemanship Association state finals. Team members are pictured, from left to right: Henneh McMillian, Rachel Phelps, Jessica Graves, Hannah Draigh, Lauren Baker, Makenzie Frederickson, Erin Wade, Sara Kloosterman, Jaycee Culross and Katie Canfield.

Vocational Scholarship named for Ivan Blough

Greater Lowell Foundation Chamber has named a vocational scholarship to honor the late Ivan K Blough.

Blough is remembered for his dedication and passion for the Lowell community. No project was too big – or small – for the late resident

and community volunteer. Known for the time he spent volunteering on the Lowell Showboat and with community organizations including his church, Lowell Area Historical Museum and Boy Scout Troop 102, Ivan could always be found driving from one project to the next in his red pickup

To honor his outstanding efforts, the vocational scholarship is intended to encourage career skills and educational opportunities of employees of Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce businesses.

"Ivan exemplifies the word 'volunteer,'" said Liz Baker, executive director. "Through the Ivan K Blough Vocational Scholarship, we are honoring a resident near and dear to our hearts by reinforcing one of his most well-known traits volunteerism."

Recipients of the Ivan Blough Vocational Scholarship should demonstrate the need for secondary school tuition costs to vocational or trade school opportunities. including business, trade or technical skills. Individuals also promote volunteerism and pride in the greater Lowell community and showcase community service before self.

This is the first of two scholarships which foundation will name after Blough. The second will provide opportunities for high school students. More details will be available at a later date.

Scholarships will be awarded on a per-scholarship basis. For more information. contact the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce.



BOOK BINDING CLASS AT LOWELLARTS!

Artist Whitney Korstange will teach "Traditional Japanese Book Binding" at LowellArts!, 149 S. Hudson, Thursday, October 11, from 6-8 pm. For more information, call 897-8545 or visit www.lowellartsmi.org

GET TO KNOW YOUR YMCA

October celebration. Family fun at the Lowell YMCA parking lot, 1335 W. Main St. on Sat., Oct. 13 from 11 am – 2 pm. Questions, call 897-8445.

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NEW MUSEUM EXHIBIT

The Lowell Area Historical Museum will open a new exhibit entitled "Reel to Real" on Oct. 13. The "Wizard of Oz" will be shown in their vintage movie theater. Free popcorn served.

MUSEUM VOLUNTEER TRAINING

The next volunteer training at the Lowell Area Historical Museum will be Tuesday, Oct. 23 at 7 pm. The museum is always looking for helping hands.

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, will not appear in this column.



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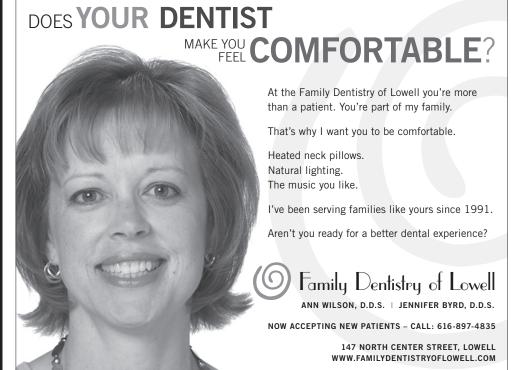
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Thebes Players present "A Tomb With A View"

Tickets are now available for the Thebes Players/LowellArts! dinner theatre production of Norman Robbins' popular gothic comedy thriller, "A Tomb with a View." The fast moving play is the perfect whodunnit for the fall season, with a witty plot that will keep the audience guessing right up until the end.

The cast includes John

Foley as Penworthy; Mike Lally as Lucien Tomb; Yvonne Alles as Dora Tomb; Janna Chesser as Emily Tomb; Dean Borth as Marcus Tomb; Martha Hayden as Anne Franklin; Laurie Kuna as Agatha Hammond and Freda Mountjoy; Rob Freund as Perry Potter; and Sarah Harmon as Monica Tomb.

"It's exciting to be doing a

darkly funny, murder mystery play right around Halloween. The cast of characters is a warped version of the Addams Family. There are shades of Arsenic and Old Lace and Ten Little Indians that the audience will enjoy," commented director Brent Alles.

The play is set in a sinister old library presided over

by a portrait of a grimfaced, mad-eyed old man. An aged lawyer reads a will (involving some millions of dollars) to an equally sinister family, one member of which has werewolf tendencies, another wanders around in a toga of Julius Caesar and a third member is a gentle old lady who plants more than seeds in her flower beds! By the third act, there are more corpses than live members left in the cast. All is revealed as the plot twists and turns to its surprising conclusion.

The play will be presented at Larkin's Other Place on Friday and Saturday evenings, Oct. 26 and 27 and Nov. 2, 3, 9 and 10. A Sunday matinee will be held Nov. 4.

Tickets for dinner & theatre (reserved seating – advance reservations required) are \$23; show only, \$12 in advance and at the door. For more information and to purchase tickets, call LowellArts! at 149 S. Hudson, Lowell, (616) 897-8545 or visit www. lowellartsmi.org

Real to Reel exhibit, continued

"If the reel broke down, we had to take an intermission before it was fixed," she said.

Only once did she have to ask some rowdy people to settle down for general misbehavior.

"Then I got the big guns, the parents, to quiet them down," she laughed.

At that time, whenever movies finally came down to the small town theaters, whole groups of young people went to see them. The movies were shipped in big round tin cans, plus the theaters purchased some movies.

"We'd all go to the show. Have sodas at Christensen's before the movie," she said. "We were happy to go laugh and just enjoy."

In the summer it was time for matinees and like many others, Johnson saw a lot of cowboy Indian movies.

Scary movies like "Hush, Hush Sweet Charlotte" and Frankenstein were in.

"The boys were in hogs' heaven scaring the girls after," she said.

And everybody went to Wednesday night surprise movies for 25 cents.

"You never knew what the movie would be," she said. "They pulled out a movie from the stock pile."

Quite often, these were horror or war movies. Sometimes the movies had a news update in between.

Little theaters like the ones in Lowell, Belding, Saranac and Ionia were common back then. They could seat around somewhere from 150 people to 514 for the grand opening of the New Strand Theater in 1928

Callier sold Strand in 1948 to the Ray Evans and Earl Engle families and they sold it to the DeNolf family. The dream ended in 1983 with the advancement of cable TV.

The special exhibit reflects a vibrant "golden" time of the movies on the rise in the interior décor as well. The theater is decorated with panels and cloth borders to absorb the sound.

Cindy Thode Patterson made the drapes and the upholstery and George Allchin constructed the wooden sign.

"Without volunteers, we wouldn't be able to do these things," said Pat Allchin.

The budget for the exhibit was \$10,000 matched by volunteer labor.

During Harvest Festival on Oct. 13, the museum theater will show the "Wizard of Oz" from 1 pm to 4 pm.

"We'll have seasonal things for visitors to enjoy," said Pat Allchin.

Movies will be shown during the Christmas parade and other community events.

Speaker will discuss herbal remedies at garden club meeting

The Lowell Garden Club will open their season of meetings on Oct. 15 with Linda Gidley speaking to the club about herbal remedies.

Through her character,



Linda Gidley

Lucretia, Godley tells of the herbal remedies she has learned from her Native American friend. She discusses how 1776 colonists had many ailments and conditions and Native American heritage provided a world of herbs formerly unknown to Europeans.

Pioneers brought herbs to the new land, but by the time of the American Revolution, Europeans were clambering for "Indian" remedies.

The public is invited. The meetings are held on the third Monday of every month in the Lowell Nazarene

Church's community at 6:30 pm. Refreshments building, 211 N. Washington will be served.





A Survey From Your Hometown Newspapers

The Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce is currently gathering input from the community about the vision for the Lowell area using a survey and upcoming Community Cafes. Our survey does not replace the chamber's survey, but we'd like to hear from our readers and get more information regarding the thoughts and feelings of the community.

Please take a few minutes to answer these questions, and drop off the survey at the Lowell Buyers Guide/Lowell Ledger offices located next to the post office at 105 N. Broadway.

You may also e-mail your responses to displayads@lowellbuyersguide.com Please respond by October 31.

If you need more room, feel free to write more. The results will be published in the Lowell Ledger and shared with the chamber.

- IF WE HAD UNLIMITED RESOURCES, WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE HAPPEN WITHIN THE LOWELL COMMUNITY
- 2 What growth, business or service would you like to see in the Greater Lowell Area?
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Offshore Tax **Avoidance** Gimmicks Must End



America stands on the edge of a fiscal cliff, facing drastic budget cuts and painful tax increases on the middle class unless we can agree on a balanced comprehensive, deficit-reduction plan. This challenge lends new urgency to a topic I have long pursued as chairman of the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations: cutting loopholes and gimmicks to avoid paying taxes.

Tax loopholes are one significant cause of the budget deficit, and add to the tax burden that ordinary Americans bear. Recently, my subcommittee held a hearing exposing how multinational corporations have taken advantage of loopholes in tax law and weaknesses in enforcement to shift their profits overseas and avoid paying taxes.

The first step in shifting profits offshore takes place when a U.S. company sells or licenses a valuable asset, such as software developed in the United States, to a subsidiary in a low tax jurisdiction for a price below fair market value. The result is that profits from the sale of that software are then shifted to that tax haven outside of the reach of U.S. taxes.

We showed how Microsoft used this process, called pricing," "transfer shift \$8 billion in income from products developed here in the United States to subsidiaries based in Singapore and Ireland, avoiding U.S. taxes.

We also showed how, through complex transactions, Microsoft was able to use a subsidiary in Puerto Rico to shift nearly half of the profits from Microsoft products sold in the United States to Puerto Rico, avoiding a stunning \$4 million a day in U.S. taxes.

The second step involves games played with profits shifted from one offshore entity to another. Under our tax law, companies with income offshore normally don't have to pay U.S. taxes until they bring that money back home to the United States. But, if the income consists of royalties, licensing fees, or other funds that don't require the active involvement of the business, that "passive" income is supposed to be taxed even while offshore.

But our hearing showed how some companies use an IRS regulation, which changed a provision in the tax code, to dodge those taxes. Literally, they're able to check a box on an IRS form and make offshore subsidiaries, and their taxable income, invisible for tax purposes. The subcommittee has learned that from 2009 to 2011, Apple has been able to defer taxes on over \$35.4 billion using this loophole. Google has deferred over \$24.2 billion in the same period. For Microsoft, the number is \$21 billion.

We also showed how some companies use a tax loophole to bring offshore money back to the United States through inter-company loans from offshore subsidiaries. Loans that bring offshore money back to the United States are ordinarily considered as having repatriated the funds, which are then taxed. But there's an exception to that rule for short-term loans.

The hearing showed how Hewlett-Packard used this exception to orchestrate a constant stream of back-toback loans from two offshore subsidiaries to bring billions of dollars back to the U.S. parent company. Instead of ensuring taxes were paid on those offshore profits returned to the U.S., the rule

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

BOWNE TOWNSHIP

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Bowne Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider the following amendments to the Bowne Township Zoning Ordinance:

- An Ordinance to allow and regulate as part of an operational farm: farm markets including temporary farm markets, farm markets within temporary enclosures and within permanent buildings; Community Supported Agriculture (CSA); and U-pick operations; and to allow as a special land use on an operational farm recreation/amusement enterprises, wineries and distilleries, bakeries, and processing of farm products; to allow farming in the R-2 Low Density Residential District; and to add definitions to Article 2 including definitions of Affiliate Farm, Farm Market, and Farming or Farm Operation.
- An amendment to regulate the minimum lot size for non-residential uses in the R-4 Multi-Family Residential District.

The hearing will be held as follows:

WHEN: **THURSDAY, November 1, 2012**

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

WHERE: **BOWNE TOWNSHIP HALL**

8240 ALDEN NASH AVENUE SE

ALTO, MI 49302

The proposed amendments are available for review at the Bowne Township offices, 8240Alden Nash Avenue, SE, Alto, Michigan, 49302 during normal office hours on Wednesday & Thursday from 9 AM to Noon and 1 PM to 5 PM and on Friday from 9 AM to Noon or by calling 868-6846.

> Sandra Kowalczyk, Clerk Bowne Township

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Dave Stegehuis

Practice is an essential factor in building skills perform needed to competently in most sports. Practice sessions, which can be physically and mentally demanding, require plenty of self-discipline or a tough coach. Archery requires a serious level of practice for the tournament shooter to be competitive. Bow hunters must be accurate in order to make a responsible shot on game.

Archery is already an enjoyable sport, but making

practice sessions more entertaining increases the probability of consistent practice. It is a sport where it is not necessary to have an opponent. One can shoot targets alone and compete against oneself. However, it is always more fun to share the experience with another person.

Making a good shot on an animal requires a steady hand and complete focus when hunting. Achieving this under actual hunting conditions is more attainable if practice is realistic. Everything but the pressure of encountering game can be practiced at the range or in the yard.

Keeping score using the traditional target rings is common. Three dimension targets such as foam deer and bear provide the hunting archer with realistic practice. Shooting at animal targets from different angles and distances hones the skill of estimating distances, as well as, shot placement.

If multiple shooters are involved, creating shooting

games ramps up the interest level. To make things more interesting, take turns choosing shot locations for the others to follow. A good way to create pressure and distraction is to compete with the other shooters. If others agree, a little trash talk and harassment can provide more pressure and distraction to help develop hunting competence.

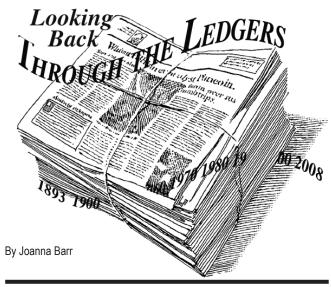
So find a partner or group to share practice sessions with, and everyone will be ready for that hard earned opportunity when it all comes together. Even if you don't hunt or have never shot a bow, give archery a try, you may discover an enjoyable pastime or it could possibility alter your lifestyle.

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140 years ago Lowell Weekly Journal October 16, 1872

Valuable property for sale. The Variety store, one door east of Post Office, I now offer for sale. The lot is 34 feet in width by 100 feet in length. The building is 22 feet in width, an awning 12 feet in front and 12 feet on east side. Length of building inside 40 feet, 13 1/2 feet between joints, shelved and countered in first class style. All who desire to purchase, please look my property over ere buying elsewhere. J. L. Somerby.

Cushman's Concert Troupe – This excellent troupe deserves more than the ordinary mention. The entertainments given on Thursday and Friday evenings were of a very superior order. The troupe consists of Messrs. Cushman, Burk and Montgomery and it is difficult to find a trio equal to this. Cushman excels both in the pathetic and humorous. Burk is a host at the organ and Montgomery is decidedly the best and heaviest bass we ever had the privilege of listening to. Their selections were well chosen. Had we sufficient space we would refer to them in detail. We sincerely hope, as we know that all others who have heard them do, that they will visit Lowell again soon.

100 years ago The Lowell Ledger October 10, 1912

Headline: Those Poor Lights – The poor light service last Sunday and Monday was due to necessary work at the plant, including the cleaning out of raceway. As the work is not completed, although started early Sunday morning while We, Us & Co. were enjoying a peaceful snooze, the same conditions will obtain again next Sunday. The taking down of the Main street poles and lines and the installation of the new lighting system, together with a large amount of house

wiring and line work, has involved a tremendous load of work upon superintendent McMahon and his faithful assistants. The Sunday work and sacrifice of needed rest is harder upon them than occasional dim lights are upon the public; and when the cause is understood, reasonable people will be patient. Another thing THE LEDGER would remind its patrons of, is the hazardous nature of the work done by these friends of ours, in a calling that often claims its victims by instant death. We know that the people of Lowell wish their employees to safeguard themselves in every possible manner and to take no unnecessary risks. If it is a question between risk and an occasional lame service for some or all, let the old thing limp and be hanged. That's our motion and if it could be put to vote, it would carry with a woop. "Good bye Jim! Take keer of yourself."

75 years ago The Lowell Ledger and Alto Solo October 14, 1937

Headline: Lowell Given Big Boost By Tradesman Editor - E. A. Stowe, fearless, dynamic and constructive editor of The Michigan Tradesman, gives Lowell a pretty good boost in his "Out Around" column in the October 6 issue of that publication. We quote: "I asked the Lowell Poo Bah, C. H. Runciman how his Showboat undertaking came out this season. He said the net profits were \$2,000. I told him I thought he was a Midas, who was so fortunate that everything he touched turned into gold. He said that was not true, because he met about as many losses as the average man, but he would like to meet the gentleman. I told him he might meet him sometime but not soon, let us hope, because Midas was a Grecian gentleman who lived 2,000 years ago.

Specimens of a new type of barkless dogs were recently brought to this country, descendants of a breed imported from Africa. Their only voice is kind of a growl or rumble, though they are excellent hunters. Some people might be willing to present specimens of such a breed to neighbors whose present canines are regarded as too noisy. Yet, to the true dog lover, a good cheerful bark is not a disagreeable sound. It has a note of welcome and friendship and seems to indicate a state of health and optimism in the dog mind. It is Fido's only way of expressing his opinions about life and the world.

50 years ago The Lowell Ledger October 11, 1962

The Lowell Area Board of Education worked from 7:30 to nearly 1 am Monday night looking over samples and hearing sales discussions on new equipment for

the high school. Contracts were authorized for over \$60,000 in library, music, arts and crafts, homemaking, industrial arts furniture and equipment, and permanent seating for the 304 seat auditorium-classroom. This in addition to \$16,749 for kitchen equipment and \$18,042 for science classroom equipment authorized at a meeting on October 1. All this equipment was selected after careful study by the teachers, architect and administration officials of the school.

Don Palmer, new high school architect, reported to the board that the school was on schedule. Steel frame work for the gymnasium is on the job and will be erected by the end of the week. They are still waiting for the steel for the auditorium. Brick work is moving rapidly, but steel door casings are delayed and will hold up some interior work. It is expected to have the roof on the entire building by January 1. Colors were selected for the exterior trim work. The fasciae around the top of the brick walls will be an olive green. Beneath the windows, in all except the administration section, will be steel porcelain. In the administration section in front of the building, it will be a shade of orange. In the wall area rising from the classroom section, a corrugated green material will be used.

25 years ago The Lowell Ledger October 14, 1987

The Michigan National Guard dropped in on Lowell Senior High School Tuesday morning...literally! Sergeant Rick Mis, a recruiter for the Michigan National Guard, arranged for a UH-1 "Huey" helicopter to pay a visit to the school as a recruiting promotion. Mis is based in Ionia, but lives in Lowell. The UH-1 has been a mainstay of the United States Armed Forces, especially the army, for more than twenty years. Though the Hueys are rapidly being replaced by newer, more sophisticated helicopters in the army, the UH-1 still serves an active role in national guard aviation. Mis explained that Huey crews are trained in excavation and medi-vac techniques that can be used during emergencies where the guard's trucks are ineffective. The Huey carried a crew of three, Mis, another recruiter and two national guardsmen in combat fatigues. The group answered questions as curious throngs of students poured over the helicopter. The students were allowed to peer inside and some even sat in the pilot's seat. Lowell High School counselor Gordon Gould worked with Mis to arrange the visit. Gould said this wasn't the first time Hueys have visited the school. He wasn't sure of the year, but said a flight of four came to the school some time ago. Mis quipped, "That must have been back when we had a budget."

health

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



plantar fasciitis

Heel pain is a common complaint that has many causes. One cause of heel pain is inflammation of the tissue on the bottom of the foot. This is called plantar fasciitis.

The plantar fascia (connective tissue) stretches under the skin across the arch of the foot from the heel to the base of the toes. When this tissue is torn, overused, or stretched, it can become inflamed (fasciitis). Soreness, tenderness and pain result. Common symptoms of plantar fasciitis are heel pain (especially in the early morning or after a period of rest), increasing pain with standing and pain in the heel after exercising.

Some causes of plantar fasciitis are standing too long, being overweight, having arches that are

either too flat or too high, or wearing nonsupportive hardsoled shoes. Although many people with plantar fasciitis have heel spurs (outgrowths of bone in the heel), spurs are not the cause of plantar fasciitis.

Initial treatment for plantar fasciitis is mainly conservative measures, including rest, arch support heel pads (called orthotics) to be worn in the shoe, stretching the calf muscles and Achilles tendon, ice and medications such as ibuprofen or naproxen. Reducing body weight can improve symptoms. injections Corticosteroid into the heel may be used in select cases. If other, more conservative, treatments are not successful, surgery may be an option.

MacNaughton recieves ArtPrize Jazz Music Award

MacNaughton, has won the 2012 ArtPrize "Jazz Music Award" for his composition "Grand Traverse Bay." The winning ArtPrize tune is one of twelve pieces from the MacNaughton April release "Michigan Morn" which was funded, in part, by a grant from the Arts Council of Greater Grand Rapids.

As an entry in the 2012 ArtPrize music competition,

Lowell native, Roger MacNaughton performed Center and online. A cash "Grand Traverse Bay" along with other original compositions in St. Cecilia Music Center's Royce Auditorium in September. In addition to the live performance, consisting of MacNaughton on piano, John Gist on saxophone and Tom Lockwood on bass, voters could access the CD tune at listening stations inside St. Cecelia Music

prize of \$2,000 accompanied the award.

In honor of the composer's accomplishment, Bostwick Congregational Lake 7979 Belding Church, Road, is including several MacNaughton compositions in the Sunday, Oct. 21, 10:30 am service. The public is invited. Prelude music will begin at 10:15 am and a reception will follow.



Roger MacNaughton

In The Service

The Association of the United States Army and the Enlisted Association of the National Guard have each recognized Specialist Eric Culver for the 2012 fall term. The Assoc. of the U.S. Army - Joseph P. and Helen T. Cribbins Scholarship annually recognizes an outstanding enlisted soldier. Specialist Culver has been selected for the Cribbins scholarship in 2009 and 2012. The Enlisted Association of the National Guard "promotes the status, welfare and professionalism of the enlisted members of the national guard" through its academic scholarship. Specialist Culver performs trumpet with the Michigan National Guard 126 Army



Specialist Eric Culver

Band based in Grand Rapids. As the official military band of Michigan, unit members perform at state functions, including

the governor's inauguration and official visits of United States dignitaries, including the President of the United States and foreign leaders. In addition to musical excellence, band members must meet the same standards as all U.S. Army personnel.

Specialist Culver is currently pursuing a degree in Aviation Maintenance Technology at Western Michigan University. Culver is the son and stepson of Megan and Roger MacNaughton of Ada.



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Township planning, continued

"You leave it in permitted uses; you don't have the ability to step in," said Miles.

But, according planner township Tim Johnson of Main Street Planning, farming has always been allowed in rural residential zones and is not regulated by special use.

"I would not recommend

farming prohibiting R-1; it opens a door to different interpretations. The is allowed in the Right to Farm Act," he said.

But, Miles maintained that the GAAMP (Generally Agricultural Accepted Management Practices) prohibit farming

in residential zones unless allowed by the township.

Commissioner Mark definition of farming is what Batchelor said he was fine with the way it's laid out.

> "They're going to build on the right piece of parcel," he said. "Residents want farming in R-1."

On the note of biofacilities, in production

changes in the ordinance are actually beneficial to residents in an R-1 district, according to commissioner Scott Edwards.

"You're not going to build a bio-fuel facility on a small piece of land," he said.

According commissioner Carlton Blough, getting rid of farming in residential would have to be done through master plan.

"I don't know it would be of any benefit permitting farming in residential by special use," he said.

Batchelor said, "You're going to have smells from farming operations regardless the parcel size."

The planning commission recommended amendments that will allow farming in residential, manure storage and livestock facilities with 250 setbacks and bio-fuel facilities with production under 100,000 gallons.

"We have a pretty solid plan," said Edwards.



History Mystery



The picture above is another History Mystery from The Ledger with the help of Lowell Area Historical Museum. It is a picture of something in the museum's collection Next week the museum will supply a brief explanation and history of the artifact.

Feel free to email the Ledger at ledger@lowellbuyersguide.com with your thoughts on this week's History Mystery picture, then read the Ledger to see if you were right.



At Your Local

Kent District Library programs at Englehardt Branch, 200 N. Monroe St. For additional information call 616-784-*2007*.

Family Storytime

Share books, stories, rhymes, music and movement as a family; develop early literacy skills and encourage a love of reading. For children ages 6 and younger with a caregiver. Thursdays, through Nov. 15, 10:30 am (Storytime special on Thurs., Oct. 25)

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business



Amy Reedy

Greenridge Realty announced that Amy Reedy received Sales Associate of the Month in September.

This award recognizes Reedy for her outstanding success and achievements.



college news

Peter Allen Scudder, a senior at Central Michigan University, has been named to the summer 2012 honors list. To qualify the student

must have a grade point average of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale.

Scudder is a resident of Lowell.

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Need continues to rise, with many new families coming in every week. In July FROM had a record month with financial assistance, providing over \$18,000 in direct utility and housing assistance for 64 families, more than a 50 percent increase from an average month.

have the resources to meet the growing needs," said Tamela Spicer, executive director at FROM, "but we also know that these record numbers have stretched our budget and the winter months typically mean more need with heating bills."

To help meet the growing need, Flat River Outreach

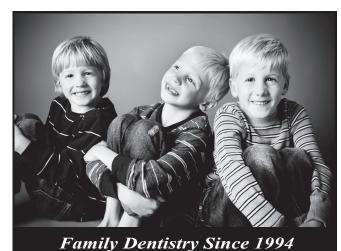
Every month, more than Ministries is holding its annual fundraising event on Sunday, October 21 at 3 pm. This free, table hosted event, provides an opportunity to learn about the services that FROM provides and offers an opportunity for the community to support the continued work of helping families facing hardship. Sunday Afternoon with FROM is held at St. Mary's Church, in the activity room. If you would like to join FROM for this free event, you can RSVP by calling the office at 897-0028 or e-mailing Heidi at heidih@ fromlowell.org.

Flat River Outreach "We are thankful that we Ministries is a nonprofit organization whose mission is serving the people of the greater Lowell area in their time of hardship. You can find more information at www.fromlowell.org, us on Facebook at www. facebook.com/fromlowell or contact the office at 897-8260.

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Neighbor to Neighbor wish list for home repairs

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Help with electrical work, including outlets, switches and fixtures; dishwasher installation, floor covering and interior painting for living room, kitchen, bathroom, and hallway.

Ramp – Husband and wife have cancer and have a hard time getting up steps.

Deck and porch need to be sealed.

Leaky roof of mobile home needs repair - the roof is caving into the bathtub - ceiling may need repair. Also needs a new door on the side of the house and could use some weatherization for winter, including storm windows for five windows.

Holes in kitchen and bathroom floor need repair - mold in bathroom needs to be taken care of - window in bedroom needs replacement and lawn mower needs to be repaired.

Storm windows; kitchen floor rotting out; insulation; upgrade electrical outlets.



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Frozen waterpipes every winter - suspect well pump shed as cause; lay carpet in sm. bathroom (has carpet - needs someone to do work).

Replace broken bedroom window, storm window in kitchen.

Fix gutter; Insulate crawl space; replace bedroom door; add vent fans in two bathrooms; electrical work for ceiling fan, fix leak in plumbing in crawl space; replace electrical outlet.

Roof and floor repairs needed; work needed on furnace, hot water heater, and insulation under trailer.

Roof needs repair.

Auger sewer line from the basement because roots are clogging up drains; needs new pipes under sink, storm windows.

Roof on garage needs repair - has a hole and is caving in.

Roof needs to be replaced; front door replaced; front steps need repair; handrails installed; furnace repair.

Roof needs to be replaced - has all the materials just needs

Mold inspection.

Roof needs to be fixed and eaves around the house so water doesn't run between walls.

exploring our national parks

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Although our campsite at Curry Hummock State Park was only thirty miles straight south of our next destination, the city of Flamingo in the Everglades, Florida Bay was blocking the way. This required us to drive back up the Keys to Key Largo, up US 1 into Homestead and back down through mangrove swamps of Everglades National Park to the campground at Flamingo, on the southern tip of Florida's mainland. This was Christmas Eve and all of south Florida was

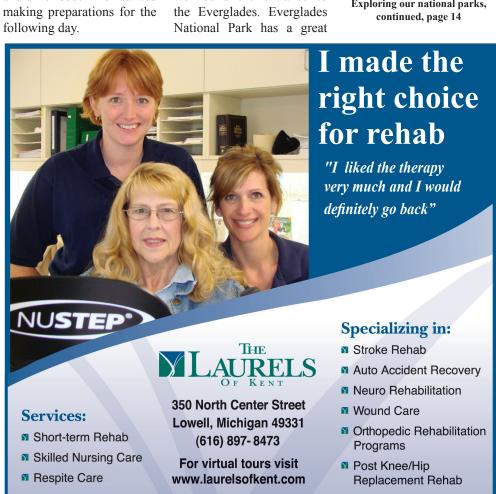
We pulled out of the Keys at eight in the morning hoping to have camp set back up by noon in the Everglades. We did not have reservations at Flamingo campground and did not know what to expect on Christmas eve in a national park. Only half of the sites were equipped with electricity and that was a necessity to light up our Christmas tree.

After fighting the holiday traffic of South Florida (I really don't know how anyone can live down there), we found the entrance to

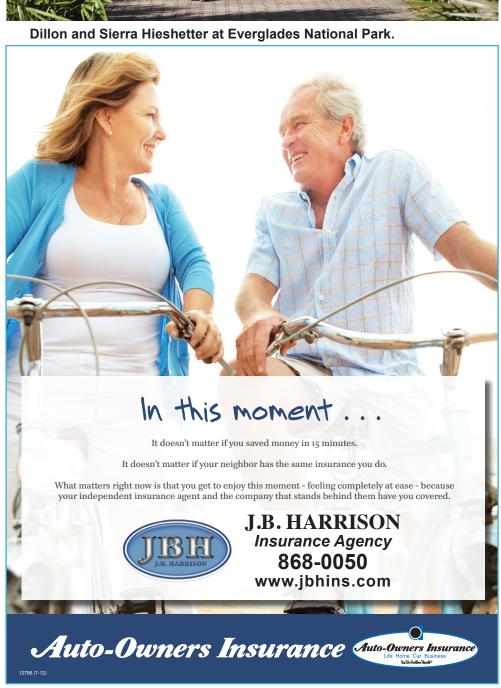
visitors' center, just as you enter the park. This truly is a unique National Park, preserving some twentythree hundred of the most ecologically diverse acres in America and only twenty miles from the most populated coastal areas of Florida. From the visitors' center it is still a fifty-mile drive to the campground at Flamingo. As we drove through this sea of grass, a few road signs caught our eye. The first was a panther crossing warning sign - the Everglades being the home to the last Florida panthers, which is one of the many endangered species that inhabit the Everglades. The second was a sign that pointed out Rock Reef Pass -elevation three feet. Since most of the passes we have crossed out West were mountain passes which are over 10,000 feet, it was

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Red Arrow PORTS

- TENNIS

Red Arrow tennis ends regular season on a win

In their final regular season meet, the boys' tennis team was victorious over Unity Christian with a 7-1 score on Tuesday night.

The winners were flightone singles Austin Rix (6-1, 6-1), flight-two singles Dan Cowden (6-1, 6-1), flightthree singles Killian Kohl

(6-2, 6-2), and flight-four singles Zach Fotis (6-1, 6-0). For the doubles, the winners included flight-one Tony Hanson and Micah Babcock (6-1, 6-3), flighttwo Paul Heemstra and Parker Groom (6-3, 6-1), and Derek Bitterman and Luke Kloosterman (6-1, 6-1).

Keaton Pomper and Blake Posthumus couldn't quite pull it off, going three sets (6-3, 4-6, 6-3). Pomper usually has Quinn Summerfield as his partner, but Summerfield was out with an injury, so was forced to sit out.

This past weekend, the

The flight-three doubles of team placed fifth in the OK White conference tournament hosted by Grand Rapids Christian. Final scores were Forest Hills Central 44, East Grand Rapids 37, GR Crhistian 32, Jenison 20, Lowell 19, and Caledonia 16.

Cowden finished third, winning two matches and Fotis finished fourth in the singles. The teams of Hanson and Babcock; and Heemstra and Groom, both finished fourth in the doubles as well.

For the season, the team

ended up with two wins, one tie and five losses. They also won two invitationals -Portland and Allegan. Their next step is regionals to be held all day Friday, Oct. 12 at Forest Hills Central and Forest Hills Northern.

Dean honored by Olivet College

Olivet College graduate, Noel Dean, Class of 1991, was honored with Olivet's 2012 Distinguished Alumni of the Year award at Saturday's homecoming. He received the award for his involving work Lowell's Pink Arrow Pride, the creation of the Lowell's Gilda's Club and his success with Lowell's football program.

Olivet president Dr. Steve Corey presented with the award at



Noel Dean is pictured above with 1956 Olivet alumnus, Dave Thompson, who nominated him for the award.

their annual Red and White luncheon before the homecoming game in the new Cutler Athletic Center. An audience of a hundred listened as coach Dean entertained them with comments about his life and how a small community like Lowell has accomplished great things, saying it's a place where everyone works together to make a project a reality.



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Levin, continued

was twisted by gimmicks into bringing billions of dollars back into the U.S. tax free.

Still another involves companies taking advantage of accounting rules to boost their profits on paper while avoiding taxes.

Under generally accepted accounting rules, when corporations hold profits offshore, they are required to reserve funds on their financial statements for the future tax bill when the earnings are returned to the U.S. Reserving money for taxes reduces the profit numbers that investors follow so closely in public

company SEC filings. So some companies avoid the accounting requirement by asserting that their offshore earnings are permanently or indefinitely reinvested offshore. The result is their financial numbers look better than they should.

And yet, multinationals have the same time launched a massive lobbying effort, promising to bring billions of offshore dollars back to the United States if they get a "repatriation tax holiday," a large tax break for returning offshore funds to the United States. On the one hand, these companies assert they intend to indefinitely

or permanently invest this money offshore, while planning, on the other hand, to bring it home as soon as Congress grants them a tax holiday. That's not any definition of "permanent" that I understand.

These tax avoidance gimmicks are unfair to the vast majority of American families and businesses who pay their taxes and don't employ armies of accountants and tax lawyers to get out of paying their Profitable fair share. corporations shouldn't be shortchanging America at a time of huge deficits. We simply can't afford their offshore tax dodges.



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Red Arrow SPORTS

- FOOTBALL

Lowell qualifies for the play-offs after trouncing EGR

With their sixth win, the Red Arrows' varsity football team secured a play-off berth, while at the same time, knocking out their archrival East Grand Rapids (EGR). In their 45-28 win against EGR Pioneers, the Arrows improved to a 3-0 record in OK White conference play and can look forward to participating in the state tournament, which begins in three weeks.

Making it to the play-offs for the fourteenth straight year in a row puts the Red Arrows eighth on the MHSAA's list of the most

consecutive appearances in history. The record is 22 and is currently held by Traverse City St. Francis. The last time the Arrows didn't make the play-offs was in 1998.

The Pioneers started off strong, scoring in the second play of the game with a 73yard pass. But the Arrows answered back with a score of their own, thanks to the rushing of Kanon Dean and quarterback Kyler Shurlow, who had a 43-yard rush to put the Arrows at East's onevard line. Dean took it in for the touchdown. East couldn't capitalize on their next

scored again on theirs, made easier by a bad snap on the punt from East which put Lowell on the Pioneers' 15-yard line. Dean ran for three yards and Shurlow for twelve in two possessions to take it across the line. At the

possession, but the Arrows end of the quarter, Lowell led 14-7.

Titan Anderson came in to quarterback at the end of the first quarter and led Lowell to their next score in the second quarter, thanks to two passes to Jeff Houston and a pass to Pierce Watson.

In that drive, Dean rushed for a total of seven yards in

In the second half, both teams went scoreless on their first possessions, but Lowell scored another touchdown on their next possession, with rushes from Anderson and Dean. Dean rushed for 35 yards in nine carries to cross the line for the Arrows. On the Pioneers' next possession, they returned the kickoff for a touchdown, making the score 38-21.

Each team scored a touchdown in the fourth quarter, with a pass to Houston for 85 yards for Lowell's score.

The defense held East Grand Rapids to 28 yards rushing, compared

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three carries and Anderson rushed for a total of seven yards in six carries to score the touchdown. East Grand Rapids answered back with a touchdown of their own to make the score 21-14 in favor of Lowell. The Red Arrows responded with a 33-yard field goal from Austin Bieri. The Pioneers then went three and out on their next possession and Lowell scored again. In that drive, Dean rushed for ten vards in three carries and Anderson rushed for 51 vards in four carries to score the touchdown.

game. The Arrows face Caledonia on Friday, at Caledonia. Game time is 7:00 pm. **LUNCH MENU**

Lowell's 226 yards. With

the pressure the defense was

putting on the Pioneers, East

was only able to complete

eight passes of 22 for a total

of 152 yards, versus Lowell's

passing of 236 yards. The

defensive leaders were Jake

Mitchell with seven tackles.

followed by Pierce Watson

with six and Zach Huver

with five. Watson had one

sack of his own and he and

Taylor Kornoely teamed up

for one. Houston broke up

two passes and Mitchell,

Shannon Massey and Josh

Colegrove each broke up one

pass. Dean led the offense

with 90-yards rushing in the



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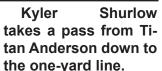
TUES: Breaded chicken nuggets w/WG dinner roll, seasoned cauliflower, fruit & veggie bar: romaine spinach salad, fresh cucumber slices, pineapple, apple, milk.

WED: WG mini chicken corn dog nuggets, oven baked fries, fruit & veggie bar: fresh red pepper strips, fresh sliced celery, mandarin oranges, apple slices, milk.

THURS: Scrambled eggs w/French toast sticks, sweet potato tots, fruit & veggie bar: dark green tossed salad, citrus black bean salad, pears, apple juice, milk.

FRI: Tony's cheese pizza on whole wheat, seasoned broccoli, fruit & veggie bar: fresh cherry tomatoes, potato salad, pineapple, fresh grapes.





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Pierce Watson drops the Pioneer quarterback for a loss.

obituaries

GRINDLE

Mary Ellen (Geldersma) Grindle, 69, of Middleville, formerly of Lowell, passed away on October 1, 2012, after a long battle with several ailments. Mary was preceded in death by her parents, William and Lois Geldersma of Alto; and her loving husband of 48 years, Orlie L. Grindle. She is survived by her children, Terry (Linda) Grindle, Sheryl (Dewayne) Cadwallader, and Andy (Jean) Grindle; four granddaughters, Sara Cadwallader, Jessie (Russ) Cazier, Emily and Hailey Grindle. Mary was a devoted housewife, mother and grandmother who had a kind heart and would go out of her way to lend a hand to those in need. She spent her final days in the comfort of her home surrounded by immediate family and the hands of the loving and caring staff of Faith Hospice of Holland Homes, who provided her with the means to finally go to sleep at night with a smile on her face rather than a tear in her eye. At the request of the family, a memorial contribution may be made to Faith Hospice in her honor. One of Marv's final requests was to not have a service but rather a celebration of life, which will be celebrated on October 20, 2012, from 1 pm to 3 pm at the Cider Mill Village Clubhouse, 425 Cider Mill Dr., Middleville, MI 49333.

VALENTINE

Neva M. Valentine (Kleven), age 90, of Lake Odessa (and Lowell), passed away peacefully, Monday, October 1, 2012, after a long and progressive decline from the effects of dementia/Alzheimer's. She was preceded in death by her husband, Buford (Boots) Valentine: her parents. Henry and Nora (Fossum) Kleven; and a sister, Eunice Eldridge. Neva is survived by her children, Janet (Bill) Pitman of La Quinta, CA and James (Chervl) Valentine of Lowell. She is also survived by her grandchildren; Rosemary Ranger and her children, Shania and Sebestian, of Marshall; Alana (Ron) Acheson and their children, Logan, Ella. Brady, and Sadie, of Lowell; and Keith (Sara) Valentine and their children, McKenna, Caroline and James, of Midland TX. Honoring Neva's wishes, there will be no funeral service and cremation has taken place. Interment will be at the Lake Side Cemetery in Lake Odessa. The family will gather to receive family and friends to remember Neva at the St. Edwards Church Hall in Lake Odessa on Sunday, October 14, 2012, from 1 pm to 4 pm. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests making a donation in Neva's name to the Ionia County Animal Shelter. Arrangements were handled by the Verdun Family Funeral Home of Belding, (616) 794-1300 or verdunfh.com

WISNER

Joyce Marion Wisner, age 88 of Grand Rapids, formerly of Lowell and Saranac, passed away Monday, October 8, 2012. She is survived by her children, Douglas Wisner of Lowell, Janet (Gary) Harden of Lowell; grandchildren, Daniel Harden (Melinda Lewis), Timothy (Jamie) Harden, Steven Harden (Laurinda Horsley), Mark Harden; great grandsons, Jason and Kenneth Harden; sisters-in-law, Marian Wisner, Lucille (Loren) Brunsick, Frances Pelon. A private burial has taken place at Oakwood Cemetery, Lowell. Memorial contributions may be made to Faith Hospice, 2100 Raybrook S.E., Ste. 300, Grand Rapids, MI 49546.





Social Security Questions and Answers

things online, including shopping and paying bills. What are some things I can do at www.socialsecurity.

Answer: Perhaps the most important thing you can do is to take a look at your Social Security Statement, which allows you to check your earnings record and get an estimate of your future benefits. Revisit your Statement annually, around your birthday for example. If you're ready to apply for benefits, you can do that online as well. Applying for Social Security retirement benefits online can take as little as 15 minutes. Once you've submitted electronic applications, in most cases, you're done! Also online, you can find more than 100 publications with information about Social Security and its programs. Most of these publications are in Spanish, and some of the most popular are available in 14 other languages. You also can estimate your future retirement benefit using our Retirement Estimator,

Question: I'm doing more which allows you to get personalized estimates based on different retirement ages and scenarios. The possibilities are endless at www.socialsecurity.gov.

> Question: I usually get my benefit payment on the third of the month. What if the third falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday? Will my payment be late?

Answer: Just the opposite. Your payment should arrive early. For example, if you usually get your payment on the third of a month, but it falls on a Saturday, like it does this November, we will make payments on Friday, November 2. Find more information about the payment schedule for 2012 at www.socialsecurity.gov/ pubs/calendar.htm. If you do ever miss a payment, be sure to wait three days before calling to report it missing. Of course, if you get your payments electronically, you'll get your payment without having to wait for the mail. Find out more about electronic payments at www.godirect.org.

decide when to retire. Can Social Security help?

Answer: The best place to start is with a visit to the online Social Security Statement. The Statement provides you with estimates of benefits for you and your family as well as your earnings record and information you should consider about retirement and retirement planning. Find out more about the Statement — and get yours at www.socialsecurity. gov/mystatement.

The "right" time to retire is different for everyone and depends on your individual situation. To help you make your own decision, we offer an online fact sheet with some of the factors to consider at www.socialsecurity.gov/ pubs/10147.html.

Question: I've decided I want to retire. Now what do

Answer: The fastest and easiest way to apply for retirement benefits is to go to www.socialsecurity.gov/ onlineservices. Use our online application to apply for Social Security retirement or spouses benefits. To do so, you must:

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- Want to start your benefits in the next four months; and
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Question: My income is Supplemental Security Income (SSI). My sister recently died and left me a little money. Will this extra money affect my SSI benefits?

Answer: It depends on the amount. You must report the inheritance to Social Security by calling 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778). SSI is a needs-based program for people 65 or older, blind, or disabled who have limited income and resources. We consider your inheritance as income for the month you received it. Accordingly, we may have to adjust your benefit for that month. If you keep the money into the next month, the money then becomes a part of your resources. A person with more than \$2,000 or a couple with more than \$3,000 in total resources cannot receive SSI, although there are exceptions. For more information, visit our website at www.socialsecurity.gov.

Question: My mom Supplemental receives Security Income (SSI). She soon will be coming to live with me. Do we have to

Question: I'm trying to report the move to Social Security?

> Answer: Yes. She must report a change in living arrangements within 10 days of moving. The change may affect her benefit amount, and she could be penalized if she does not report the change on time. Also, we need her correct address so we can send correspondence, even if she receives her electronically. payments Please have your mom call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778). Visit our website for more information at www. socialsecurity.gov.

> Question: I need to apply for disability benefits. Where do I start?

> Answer: Begin by looking at our Disability Starter Kit. You can find it online at www.socialsecurity.gov/ disability/disability starter kits.htm or you can request a copy by calling 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778). The Disability Starter Kit will help you prepare for your application and interview. When you are ready, you can apply online at www.socialsecurity.gov/ applyfordisability or make an appointment to apply in person at a local Social Security office. Remember: online disability application is convenient and secure. Don't stand in line, go online, at www. socialsecurity.gov.

> Question: My husband has been in poor health for some time, and doctors have recently diagnosed him with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) – commonly referred to as Lou Gehrig's Disease. I've heard Social Security has a "fast track" for some people who are disabled. Can you tell me about it?

> Answer: We have two processes to "fast track" applications for disability benefits. Our Compassionate Allowances initiative allows us to fast-track certain cases of individuals with very severe disabilities. There are 165 different types of disabilities that qualify for this expedited decision, including ALS, and that list continues to expand. Learn more about Compassionate Allowances and see the full list of conditions at www.socialsecurity.gov/ compassionateallowances.

> decisions is with our Quick Disability Determinations initiative, which uses technology to identify applicants who have the most severe disabilities and allows us to expedite our decisions on those cases.

Another way we speed up



LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The Adele B. Baura Trust

Re: Adele B. Baura, decedent. Date of birth: May 1, 1922.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Adele В. Baura, who lived at 1835 - 8th St., NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504, died September 17, 2012.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the deceased or the trust will be forever barred unless presented to Kenneth C. Alksnis, Successor Trustee, 563 Riverview Dr., Greenville, MI 48838, within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

October 3, 2012

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

Kenneth C. Alksnis, **Successor Trustee** 563 Riverview Dr. Greenville, MI 48838

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in memoriam

MISSING YOU, **LOVING YOU** Michael E. Serne 3/13/1945 - 10/8/2012 Your wife Joann, Children & Grandchildren

sales

SALE - ONE DAY ONLY - Sat., Oct. 13, 9-5. Boy clothes, household items. some furniture. 5339 Mc-Cords, Alto.

HUGE GARAGE SALE - Friday & Saturday only, Oct. 12 & 13, 9-6. Clothes, bikes & tools. 6153 Sunset Beach, Lake Odessa/Morrison Lake.

GARAGE SALE - Ada Mooring, 1277 Dogwood Meadow Dr., Oct. 11 & 12, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Artificial pumpkins, straw bales, Easter bunny figurines, lots & lots of Christmas & fall silk flowers, some clothing size 14.

MOVING SALE - 2 families. Women's golf clubs, clothing, 12 ft. aluminum row boat, fish graph, tool bench, furniture. household items. dog kennel for truck. Oct. 12 & 13, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., 280 Boynton, Lowell.

ANTIQUE SHOW - Barry County fairgrounds, Oct. 27 & 28, Sat. 9-5 & Sun. 10-3. Located 20 minutes south of Grand Rapids at Barry Expo Center (fairgrounds) on M37. \$4 admission.

for rent

SARANAC - 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Newly remodeled. Call Ron or Marvie, 616-485-9703.

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services

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NEW FALL YOGA CLASS-ES - MORNINGS: Mon-7:30, Sat-9:00. EVENINGS: Tues & Thurs 6:30. Walk-in \$8, 901 W. Main. Specials/ Schedules: www.thehammockllc.com; 893-5661.

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AMERICAN OUT-LAW LIMOS - is now taking reservations for dances, weddings, bachelor/bachelorette parties & more. Call 616-706-4562.

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PLEASE NOTE - Coming Events are for non-profit organizations. If you are charging admission for an event - it is considered an advertisement. Coming events are ran on a space available basis & ARE NOT GUARANTEED TO RUN. If you would like to make sure your event is placed in the paper, please call our office & place it as a classified ad. We will not run ANY Garage or Rummage Sales as a coming event. All Coming Events or changes to coming events should be submitted by fax: 897-4809, email: classifieds@lowellbuyersguide. com, by mail: PO Box 128, Lowell, MI 49331 or in person: 105 N. Broadway, Lowell.

TRUNK OR TREAT - Wed., Oct. 31, 5:30 -7:30 p.m. for children up to age 12. Hosted by Doric Chapter #75 Order of the Eastern Star, serving the Belding, Greenville, Ionia, Lowell, Lyons-Muir & Saranac areas at Belding-Ionia Masonic Lodge, 211 E. Main St., Belding.

TRICK OR TREAT - Wed., Oct. 31 during open hours at Clarksville Area Library, 130 S. Main St., Clarksville. 616-693-1001.

THE EAST KENT COUNTY REPUBLICANS (EKCR) - meets the second Saturday of the month at the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce (113 Riverwalk Plaza) from 8:30 to 10 a.m. to discuss current events on the local, state & national levels. Bring your concerns & issues to our meeting for open discussion! Share information about what you can do to become involved! For more information, please call Dave Emmette, 644-0759 or Nancy Steckler, 897-6380.

FLAT RIVER OUTREACH MIN-ISTRIES THRIFT STORE - is open Wed. & Fri. 10 - 8 p.m.; Thurs. 10-6; Sat., 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at 11535 Fulton St. E. Thrift Shop, 897-8260; Food Pantry, 897-8260; Emergency Services, 897-8260

ALPHA WOMEN'S CENTER - 517 E. Main. Hours: Mon. 11-5 p.m.; Tues. 6-9 p.m.; Thurs. 10-6 p.m. 987-9533. Diapers, formula, clothing & free pregnancy testing available.

AVERILL HISTORICAL MU-SEUM OF ADA - 7144 Headley, is open every Friday & Saturday 1 -4 p.m. or by appointment. Closed Jan. & Feb. 676-9346.

STORYTIME - Tuesdays, Oct. 9, 16, 23 & 30, 10 a.m. w/Ms. Elizabeth at Saranac Public Library, 61 Bridge St., Saranac. 616-642-9146.

ALTO LIBRARY HOURS: Tues. & Wed., 12 - 8 p.m.; Mon. & Sat., 9:30-1:30 p.m.; Thurs., 1-5 p.m. Info., call 784-2007

ENGLEHARDT LIBRARY HOURS - Mon.-Wed., noon - 8 p.m.; Thurs. & Fri., 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sat., 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. 784-2007.

4TH ANNUAL SUNDAY AFTER-NOON WITH F.R.O.M. - Sun., Oct. 21. Come & hear the wonderful services Flat River Outreach Ministries is providing our greater Lowell community at this annual fundraising event. If you are interested in attending this 3 p.m. event, please secure a spot at one of our tables by contacting Carol Briggs at 897-5501 no later than Oct. 15.

TODDLER THURSDAY - Every

Thursday 11-11:30 a.m. Stories, songs, rhymes & learning. Ages 18 mo. - 36 mo. Alvah N. Belding, Library, 302 E. Main, Belding. 616-794-1450.

EVERY THURSDAY - Night service at First Congregational United Church of Christ, 865 Lincoln Lake SE at 6:30 p.m. Public welcome.

NEW CLASSES FOR EVERY-ONE - children - adults at Christian Life Center, 3050 Alden Nash SE, Lowell. Every Wednesday 7-8 p.m. Bible-centered classes for children through 5th grade, youth group for 6th grade thru high school & adult prayer & Bible study. Everyone is invited to attend.

FIRST & THIRD WEDNESDAYS Fun at Calvary for boys & girls preschool - 8th grade. Cadets for boys 1st - 8th; GEMS for girls 3rd -8th; Kingdom Kids for boys & girls preschool - 2nd grade. 1125 W. Main, Lowell. Ph. 897-7060, email: lowellcalvarycrc@yahoo.com

LOWELL - Varsity sporting events, concerts, school board meetings, city council meetings, etc., can be downloaded for viewing from the www.wlhstv.org website. Many athletic contests & concerts can also be heard 'live' from the www. wlhsradio.org website.

FIT CLUB - Every Tues. at 9 a.m., Clarksville Area Library, 130 S. Main, Clarksville. 616-693-1001.

FREE SENIOR PANCAKE BREAKFAST - Every third Wed. from 7:30 - 9:30 a.m. Laurels of Kent, 350 N. Center. RSVP 897-8473.

LOWELL ROTARY CLUB - meets each Wednesday at noon at Lowell

VERGENNES CLUB MEETS-at 1 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month March thru Nov. Meeting at Schneider Manor Community Room. Program & refreshments. Guests welcome.

CARVING CLUB - Thursdays from 6:30-8 p.m. New members welcomed. Call for information, 616-752-0096.

FREE ALL VETS COFFEE HOUR - third Thurs. of each month. Bring a friend. Lowell Veteran's Center, 3100 Alden Nash, Lowell. Call 868-7426 or 897-8303 for more info.

FRIDAY FUN - Every Friday, 11-11:45 a.m. Enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, games & a simple craft. For 3-5 year olds. Alvah N Belding, Library, 302 E. Main, Belding. 616-794-1450.

ST. MARY'S PREGNANCY CRISIS CENTER - 402 Amity. Mondays: 5:30-7:30 p.m. and Thursdays: 11 a.m. Non-denominational. Help for pregnant women/adolescents in need. Provides support, referrals, food, clothing/infant items. Lowell area. 897-9393.

LOWELL SERENITY CLUB MEETINGS - (AA) Mon., Wed., Thurs.: 12-1 & 8-9 p.m.; Tues. & Fri.: 12-1, 4:30-5:30 p.m. & 8-9 p.m.; Sat. & Sun.: 10-11 a.m. & 8-9 p.m. The first step is always the hardest. If your life has become unmanagable due to alcohol, please join us at 101 W. Main. 897-8565.

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

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Exploring Our National Parks, continued

us we were only three feet above sea level.

Arriving in Flamingo before noon, as planned, we found plenty of room

Homestead and the craziness of Christmas eve traffic in Southern Florida. One might ask, "Why did we not stop at the store on the way into the park"? Well, that would



in the campground. All the electric sites are pull through and very open. Without electricity the heat would have been unbearable. We would not have been able to put up our Christmas tree or run the A/C. Most of Flamingo has been rebuilt since Hurricane Wilma hit this area with a ninefoot storm surge in 2005. The lodge was destroyed and torn down. The ranger station, visitors' center and restaurant still show signs of damage. The rebuilt store and marina buildings were

have been much too easy and we might not have received such a great campsite if we had arrived two hours later.

The entire population of Homestead and Florida City had the same idea we had. "Let's run into Publix and pick up a few things for Christmas dinner." It was awful. Traffic was the worst I have ever seen. We had to park a 1/4 mile from the store in 90-plus heat for the opportunity to rub shoulders with some of South Florida's finest. To



the most popular areas. The hardest part was finding someone who spoke English, since most of the visitors in the Everglades during Christmas were from Asia.

The trailer was set up; the A/C was turned on and we were able to check out a little of Flamingo before we had to get ready for Christmas. Since we had only driven 150 miles, we thought, "what was another 100?" So we drove back into

make matters worse, our credit card company thought now would be a good time to put a freeze on our account because of all the activity on the card. (I guess you are supposed to contact them if you are going on vacation.) It only took the credit card company a week to realize someone from Michigan is charging an awful lot on this card. After 45 minutes on the phone with Bank of America, we were off to finish our shopping and head

back into the park.

There was something special about spending Christmas in the national park. The stars on Christmas eve were just spectacular.

> Even though we were only 75 miles from Miami, the light pollution does not affect the night sky in Flamingo. Things like hiking on Christmas as a family, being thankful for the beauty of our great country and watching a very endangered Florida manatee family lazily frolic in the marina will hopefully be things our kids will always remember. We were able to watch a bald eagle snatch a fish from a small pond,

fly into a tree and proceed to tear apart his Christmas dinner and crocodiles sunning themselves less than five feet from the sidewalk we were on. It was truly a great Christmas day. Unfortunately, Monday the 26th we would not be so



Since a large part of the Everglades is water, we thought it would be a great idea on Monday to rent one of the little power boats at the marina. This would allow us to explore some of the area that is inaccessible by car. You could also rent a canoe or sea kayak. However these, my wife thought, would not be such a great idea with all the crocs and gators in and around the channels. The motorized Boston whaler is what we decided would work out the best.

Typical of all vendors in all the parks we have been in, if vou rent something, you just get the keys or the paddles or whatever. No instruction and no safety lecture. You even have to ask for life jackets. You have to wonder what the Korean family was thinking when they loaded their family of five, wearing their holiday best, into a canoe to be launched into a canal full of crocodiles.

We did know enough about boats to enable us to head up the Buttonwood Canal into Coot Bay without any instruction. One good thing - they did give us a map and said do not go past mile 25 of Whitewater Bay. To make a very long story boats were tied together, side by side, taking up most of the narrow channel. Conversation with the

well tattooed, young harbor worker for the hour ride back was very interesting. He was not too fond of his employer, another fine company contracted to the National Park Service. It seems very little time or money was spent on routine maintenance and this sort of breakdown happens on a daily basis. It was very hard to control our emotions as to why they would let a family of four venture out into this vast gator filled wilderness with the over 50 percent chance they would not be able to return on their own. We, at least, did get our money back.

Aside from the boat mishap, it was great to get off the road into the back country. The Everglades' trails are, for the most part, canoe and kayak water trails. The fact that we were still able to see a large portion of this vast water filled wilderness was almost worth it. The bird population that winters in this area is a must

As we explore these parks, one thing is always in the back of my mind, we still have to drive home. An early departure from South Florida was planned to allow us to travel up the center of the state on US 27. The same original highway on which our grandparents traveled from Michigan to Florida.

If someday you get the chance to drive this road south of Sebring, please do

traffic. We continued north on US 27 to Ocala where we picked up I-75. As most of you know, this would lead us into Atlanta, everyone's traffic nightmare. Pulling a trailer through Atlanta is all a matter of timing, avoiding rush hour and going straight through town. This proved to be the best for us.

Wednesday afternoon,



would start the second motor it. We were able to see some of the true roadside tourist traps that have

> been around for years. Some still operating and some that have long ago closed. Orange groves lined the road with fruit stands selling fresh oranges and grapefruit. There sugar fields as far as the eye could see. All of this

rural agriculture landscape quickly comes to an end as you near Haines City, where the theme park crowd starts to clog the roads. The bumper to bumper traffic forced me into a KOA campground much sooner than I had planned. Oh well, this was to be our last night in Florida and one last chance to swim in an outdoor pool.

Unable to sleep. I ushered the family out of the trailer and into the car at 4 am. We were only half way out of Florida and I did not want to drive in morning rush hour

with the temperature dropping, found us south of Nashville. Staying in the trailer was going to be out of the question. We were able to find a place to stay with a pool and a large parking lot where we could park the trailer. The catch was, I had to winterize the trailer in the lot before nightfall. Draining water and pumping antifreeze as the sun and temperature drop is not recommended. Doing it in a parking lot without your normal tools is downright insane

As with all of our summer trips, this one ended without incident. The drive through Louisville and Indy went very well. Most traffic problems were in the southbound lanes. After driving all day, it is a welcome sight to see exit 52. Winter or summer, it is always great to get back to Lowell

Our next adventure will take us to the three remaining national parks in Utah: Zion, Bryce Canyon and Capital Reef, as well as a side trip to Lake Powell that did not turn out so well. Stay tuned.



Kent District Library programs at Englehardt Branch, 200 N. Monroe St. For additional information call 616-784-2007.

Babytime

Delight and stimulate your baby with songs, a story and playtime. Get to know other families and help your baby develop listening and language skills. For babies from birth to 18 months with a caregiver. Tuesdays, Oct. 9 - Nov. 27, 1:00 pm.

THEME: **PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS**

ACROSS

- 1. Things on a list
- 6. Grease container
- 9. Bear with the biggest chair
- 13. Halves of diameters *He followed 14.
- "Give'em Hell Harry" 15. Underneath
- 16. Bornean ape
- 17. NFL QB ___ Newton
- 18. Knightly cover
- 19. *Party choice
- 21. *It narrows the field 23. Usually comprised
- of 6 12 games in tennis
- 24. Often the object of desire in old spy movies 25. It often draws a crowd at parties
- 28. South American Indian people
- 30. *He defeated both Taft and Roosevelt
- 35. Ailments
- 37. American Girl, e.g.
- 39. Each and all
- 40. Blowout
- 41. Former "American Idol" judge, given name
- 43. Word of mouth
- 44. Chose instead
- Turner
- 47. *A Presidential pow-
- 48. Evening worship 50. America's singing
- favorite 52. *Former title of
- Barack Obama 53. Symbol of country
- life 55. It usually comes
- with a key 57. Island nation of
- South Pacific 61. *One with a vote
- 65. *One is usually alongside either candidate
- 66. Home of 2016 **Olympics**
- 68. High society

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70. "Much About

- Nothing" 71. Relating to birth 72. Opportunity to show
- one's knowledge 73. Down and back in a pool
- 74. Sol-fa-sol-fa, e.g.

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- 1. Used for smoothing 2. Tropical tuberous
- Edible and often encased in red covering
- 4. Tiny cars
- 5. Seal on a document 6. *What Paul Ryan hopes for
- 7. Theodor Geisel, _
- Dr. Seuss
- 8. Allegro and lento, in music
- 9. Chemically-induced curls
- 10. _-Ata, Kazakhstan 11. "Give me your tired,
- your Not functioning
- properly 15. Alderman in Scot-
- 20. Short composition
- for solo instrument 22. Sashimi quality
- 24. Hannibal Lecter, e.g.
- 25. Russia's famous ballet troupe
- 26. Run off, as in lovers

- 27. Supplies with an excess of
- 29. *Race measurement
- 31. City in West Ukraine 32. People of the land of silk, to Ancient Greeks *Candidates
- much of this
- 34. Stocking fiber
- 36. Pas in ballet, e.g.
- 38. Give temporarily
- 42. Actress Watts 45. *Political showdown
- 49. The Pack
- 51. Potentially existing but not presently evi-
- dent
- 54. Beyond suburban 56. Pertaining to hair
- 57. Immense
- 58. Malaria symptom
- 59. Loch
- 60. Army group, e.g.
- 61. Chicken house
- 62. Edible tubes
- 63. Et alibi
- 64. Jodie Foster's 1994 drama
- 67. Civil rights advocate Wells



We want you to "Sound Off!"

BUT... With the abundance of Internet blogs we feel there is a large enough arena for anonymous comments to be voiced. More often than not, it appears, that when given the option to remain unknown, the writer's opinions are far more vitriolic.

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To Bev Taylor for stopping to pick up the important papers that, unbeknownst to me, had flown off my car roof; and to the mail carrier that found the folder further down the road and to Nancy Ellis who put them on my doorstep - thank you.

SOLUTIONS FOR OCT. 3 PUZZLES Answers to puzzles on this page will appear in the Oct. 17 issue

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