



Who fiddled while Rome burnt?

## 'When It's Hot, IT'S HOT'

"When it's hot, it's hot—when it's not, it's not." To some, this is a popular song title, but to many of the town's folks it's just the first stanza.

There's still a lot more to be sung . . . and a lot more to be heard before the controversial issue over a 4:27 a.m. fire Sunday at 820 North Washington Street settles into ashes.

It wasn't the fire that set off so many tempers, it was the questionable efficiency of the volunteer fire unit that services the city. The uproar that followed the early blaze would have scorched anyone's pajamas hanging on the clothes line.

With the majority of the regular volunteer fire unit out of town when the alarm rang, (some were sick, others were working) the fire truck was immediately on the scene, and after several attempts of manipulating the valves to start the water pump—success was reached.

But to the bystanders, or "sidewalk superintendents" as Chief Frank Baker calls them, the time element involved was a lack of adequate know-how and proper training.

Police Officer Mike Olson, first on the scene, said the fire already had a controlling start as fire was shooting out of the windows, lighting up the sky.

The house occupied by Butch Walters, is owned by Jack Friesner.

Lowell's new Council member James Hall, a Washington Street resident himself, was quick to arrive at the scene—and just as quick to project his feelings on the fire department's actions.

"I'm not blaming any one fireman in particular," Hall commented, "I think we have a fine department, but something systematically has to be done to provide a better program than we have now."

"Perhaps a check-out system, more involvement, back-up men, and a full scale training program could be the answer, he continued, "which ever, or all of these, this is not a matter to be overlooked lightly."

According to Chief Baker, the fire got its start from an oil burner, and quickly swept through the wood frame structure. Baker summoned to the scene, from out of town, said "Everything was working properly when I arrived, and I could see no immediate problem."

City Manager Blaine Bacon early Monday morning had the County Fire Chief Jeff Geldersma on the scene for a full scale investigation.

Geldersma's report read that even a town with a full-time fire department couldn't have saved the house.

After a closed-door meeting with the Fire Chief Monday, Bacon issued a report to the City Council which offered a resume of the situation and his recommendations that the following measures be put under consideration in the immediate future:

- (1) More training session, perhaps two a month for all firemen.
- (2) Better communications between Chief and his officers.
- (3) Notification—Who's around and who's not.
- (4) All firemen to be trained on each piece of equipment—we're too small to be specialists.

All of the corrective measures to be taken cannot be accomplished overnight but reform is in the making.

The volunteer firemen are paid \$16 a month to provide fire protection for the citizens. That's peanuts, when you fully realize that they made 72 runs during 1971, \$2.60 per run—that might require them to brave sub-zero temperatures, or hazardous conditions to keep us fire proof. They must be a good group of guys to do so much for so little.

Councilman Hall said he hoped to induce action to provide the firemen with better compensation, adequate insurance, better training and self-improvement.

Whatever the final stanza there is to be sung, it'll all come out in the wash—but despite all the controversy when the next fire alarm sounds, you can rest assured that those volunteers will be there fighting to the best of their abilities.



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## Wild Winds, Blowing Snow Close Schools

Winds gusting to 60 M.P.H. caused blizzard conditions reducing visibility Monday night in an Arctic-type storm that swept through the area.

An early afternoon freezing rain storm quickly saw the schools close their doors and many workers departed homeward before conditions got too bad.

Tuesday morning, the schools continued to be closed as light snow flurries and poor driving visibility hampered busing conditions. Most of the side roads were heavily drifted with snow, while the major thoroughfares remain in good shape, although slippery and snow covered in spots.

The high winds which battered the area, caused some damage. West Main Street residents were put in the dark when a transformer at the corner of Main and Center Street faltered.

Many area residents were found Tuesday morning retrieving light weighted objects that had blown through their neighborhoods through the night.

The cold winds drove the mercury down from a high of 41 to a low of 8. However, there was only about an inch of snow recorded.

Much colder weather is ahead, says the National Weather Bureau. Lows Thursday are expected to reach between 5 and 15 below.



Forest Hills and Lowell students go home early.

## Bank Names Jackson Director

Lowell businessman Leonard Jackson has been elected to the Board of Directors of the State Savings Bank of Lowell.

In making the announcement, the bank's president H. J. Englehardt, revealed that Jackson will fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of R. M. Shivel, who has been a director for thirty-five years.

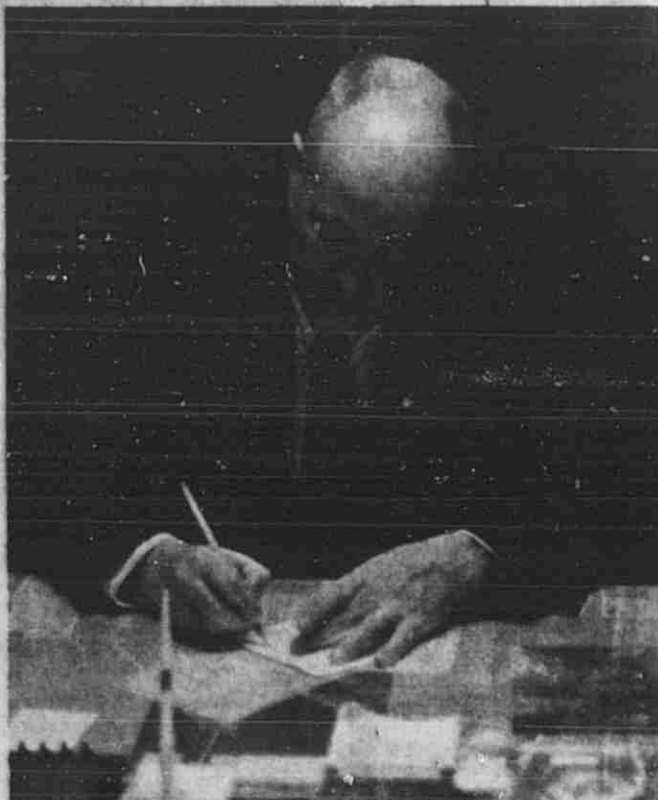
A partner in the firm of Jackson Motor Sales, with his brother, Orville, Jackson joined the business ranks of Lowell 17 years ago when they purchased the Dodge dealership.

Prior to coming to Lowell, he was in the automobile business in Grand Rapids. He resides at 605 Birchwood Court, with his wife, Jean. They have two children, Mike and Janice.

A former Worshipful Master of the Lowell Masonic Lodge, Jackson is a past president of the Lowell Chamber of Commerce, and currently holds active membership in the Lowell Lions Club and the Clark-Ellis American Post.

The bank listed total assets of \$13,318,482.94 on December 31; an increase of \$2,000,000 during 1971. Total capital of the bank, which serves the Lowell area from two convenient locations, is \$1,010,000.

Jackson will serve on the board of directors with Everett Wittenbach, King Doyle, Herbert Elzinga, L. E. Lampkin, Dan Vos, Keith Caldwell and Englehardt.



A busy man, Jackson takes on job as bank's new director.

## Fails To Yield Right-Of-Way

Leo Elwood Richmond of Lowell was charged with failure to yield the right-of-way when the car he was driving struck another vehicle driven by Miles Edison Nelson, jr.

Richmond, making an exit from the city's parking lot at Main and Lafayette Streets, failed to see the approaching Nelson car. The accident investigated by the Lowell Police Department happened Friday, January 21.

Last Thursday, Lowell Police were called to the intersection of Main and Lafayette Street to investigate a car-pedestrian accident.

The driver of the vehicle, Frank Smith, was stopped on Lafayette Street; when he started to turn, he hit the pedestrian, Elythe Brandth of 215 Holmdene, S.E., Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Brandth was not seriously injured, and there was no police action taken as a result of the accident.

A windshield in a Lowell Area School bus was broken Friday when snowballs and chunks of ice were hurled at the vehicle. The complaint is being handled by local authorities.

Three personal injury accidents on January 20 required the Lowell Department to lend assistance to the investigating officials of the Kent County Sheriff's Department.

The first mishap was on Lincoln Lake and Hein Roads, the second was on Grand River Drive, west of Alden Nash, and the third was on M-21, just west of Lowell.

The Lowell officers administered first aid until the Sheriff's Department arrived on the scene. The first accident occurred at 4:46 p.m., the second at 7:30 p.m., and the third at 10:30 p.m.

## City's Year-End Report WAS IT A GOOD YEAR?

"It was a mighty good year" . . . or was it? Only those government officials who push the pencils, represent the populace, plan for the future, and know the real inside story, hold a constructive answer. To those of us on the sidelines, we can only remain under our own assumptions, which at times have a tendency to be a little off.

Only when the facts and figures are laid on the line, can we get a birds eye view of what the roadway into the future will look like, or where it will lead to.

Blaine Bacon in his annual City Manager's year-end report to the City Council commented that from an administrative standpoint, he believed that one of the most important advances made by the City during the past year was in the training of employees.

A magnitude of training programs were attended by the administrative staff, the Waste Water Department, the Police Department, and the Fire Department, all adding to the enrichment of a better governmental format for the City.

A decline in building permit issuance for 1971 sparked concern, when the increased population figures showed a problem that will involve not only the City, but the school, fire and police protection, cemetery problems and many others.

One hundred and twelve building permits were released in 1971; 93 for residential; 14 for commercial; two for institutional; and three for industrial—for a grand total of \$864,620.

Comparing these to the 1970 figures, it wasn't a good year in this area. The City issued 128 permits in 1970 for a total of \$1,025,920.

However, the Water Department report seems to indicate that water use in the City is climbing along with the population. One hundred ninety-eight point 9 million gallons were pumped during 1971. This is 13 million gallons more than 1970. If the population growth continues, an additional water supply will face City officials.

The Wastewater Treatment Facility was noticeably affected by flood conditions during 1971, with high waters backing into the sewer system, in return requiring treatment by the facility.

In 1970, the City metered an average flow of 1,057, 808 gallons per day through the sewage treatment facility. In 1971 the average was 1,245,479 per day. Average daily water pumpage was 544,932 gallons.

The annual Fire Department report showed 72 calls made during the year, 18 (or 25 percent) of which were made within the City limits. A damage to contents of \$400 was listed with no damage to buildings in these calls.

Vergennes Township had 29.2 percent of the calls (21) with a building loss of \$11,000 and contents of \$26,500. Lowell Township, 25 calls (35.7%) with a building loss of \$7,200 and contents, \$6,850. Eight fires were outside of Lowell's district, recording \$3,000 in building loss and \$7,300 in contents.

Careless burning of rubbish accounted for 18 of the City's fires, with the other runs being made for an overheated furnace (4), children playing with matches (6), trains (3), short in wiring (8), wrecks, (5), overheated oven (1), car gas leaks (4), lightning, truck wheel bearing, electric cord, gas water heater, gas torch leak, and tire overheated (1 each).

Two arson calls were made, three false alarms sent firemen on a wild goose chase, and 12 unknown calls were recorded. The 1970 report revealed only 58 calls being made by the volunteer squad.

The City's police department racked up a record year driving 72,914 miles, consuming 10,008 gallons of gas, and answering and investigating 2,051 calls and complaints.

They issued 296 running violations, 335 parking violations, 61 warrants, arrested 416 citizens plus 64 juvenile arrests, issued 109 repair and report violations, and found 98 doors and windows left open.

In a further breakdown, the force recorded 109 property damage accidents, 76 running warnings, 26 personal injury accidents, 44 stolen property complaints, 33 recovered property, 54 larceny complaints; 3 tornado alerts, 2 overdose investigations; 8 severe thunderstorm watches; 122 arrests; 71 court cases, 8 reckless driving.

Drunk drivers, 16, Dog complaints 87, property destruction complaints 39, disorderly persons 28, prowler calls, 30, suspicious person complaints 17, emergency messages delivered 8, assists to other departments 82, family trouble complaints 57.

The 1970 report showed the department traveling 78,630 miles, utilizing 9,842 gallons of gasoline, and answering 1,385 calls.

Bacon's year-end report also showed that 44 burials were made in Oakwood Cemetery, one disinterment plus reinterment, five Saturday burials, and one Sunday burial. Three burials were recorded at St. Mary's. A need for the development of new cemetery land with modern rates and rules will be another problem facing our city fathers.

It was a busy year for all of the City's departments, and the manager's annual report spiced with future requirements can only mean that in 1972, it will be another active year.

## Travel Series Features Siegle And Sweden

The traditions of a Swedish family and what it was like to spend a summer in that country, will be the topic of Rick Siegle's Travel adventure presentation at the Lowell Senior High School Auditorium Wednesday evening, February 2.

Colorful slides of Sweden will be part of Siegle's program, being sponsored by the Youth For Understanding. Starting at 7:30 p.m., the program is open to the public at no charge.

While an exchange student in Sweden, Rick collected many interesting souvenirs, became acquainted with many of the country's customs, and made many new friendships, all playing an intricate part in his travel adventure program.

A senior at Lowell High School this year, he is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Richard Siegle of Alto.

## One And A Million

As the flag came down on MONY's Banner Year the spotlight focused on Robert M. DenBoer as one of the company's 1971 leaders. DenBoer, who maintains an office at 1125 West Main Street, Lowell, led the company in Paid Applications.

A resident of Grand Rapids, DenBoer outpaced the Field Force in 1971 with a grand total of 292 Paid Applications. He has qualified for an Honor Club every year since joining MONY in 1959.

His achievements include seven President's Councils, two Summit Clubs, and three Field



Clubs. A qualifying member of the Million Dollar Round Table, he joined MONY's Hall of Fame in 1969.



Jackson, left, and his brother, Orville, own local Dodge dealership.

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Lowell Lions Club President, Bernie Pankowski, presents Lions District Chairman, Stu Anderson, with used eye glasses for the World-wide Lions eye sight conservation project.

FRANCE IS SMALLER THAN TEXAS!



EDITOR'S MAIL BOX
To All Concerned Citizens:
As I write this I would like to thank one and all for their kind words and help given to my husband at the recent fire.

Seems to me instead of talking them down you could help them. Train them as well as your Police Department, without proper training and programming they cannot help the town.

You know, because of you, I won't let a very concerned fireman quit, because I believe with proper help and training we could have one of the best Fire Departments, but only with your help, not by being against them.

Bankers Get-Together For Valentine Dance

Mickey Dyer, Branch Manager of Old Kent Bank & Trust Co. and 2nd Vice President of the Grand Rapids Chapter of the American Institute of Banking, in charge of membership and entertainment, has announced that A.I.B. is sponsoring a Sweetheart Valentine Dance Saturday evening, February 12, from 8:30 till 12 at Diamond Avenue Hall.

Dignitaries Coming For World Premiere

Grand Rapids will host many influential and some world famous dignitaries on February 2nd for the World Premiere of "The Ballad of Billie Blue."

Obituaries

HAZEL LANGWORTHY
Miss Hazel C. Langworthy, aged 78, formerly of Lowell passed away suddenly Tuesday evening, January 18, at her home, 2828 Foster Avenue, N.E., Grand Rapids.

CHAUNCEY FREEMAN
Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon, at three o'clock for Chauncey H. Freeman at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home.

WILLIAM J. PRECIOUS
A retired Lowell blacksmith, William J. Precious, aged 84, of 2955 Segram Avenue, Lowell, passed away Friday, January 21, at his home.

Things To Come...
Because of large inventories of many imported goods, the full impact of higher prices resulting from dollar devaluation still lies in the future.

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TUESDAY: Hot Dogs with Mustard and Catsup, Pickles and Sweet Potatoes, Hot Mixed Vegetables, Assorted Fruits
WEDNESDAY: Pizza, Green Beans, Garden Salad, Chilled Applesauce
THURSDAY: Ham and Gravy with Noodles, Buttered Peas and Carrots, Cornmeal Bread, Mixed Fruit Cup
FRIDAY: Macaroni and Cheese, Diced Beets, Buttered Bread with P-Nut Butter, Chocolate Frosty Creme

Make-A-Valentine!

North Kent Mall's Annual Valentine Making Contest is now underway, with deadline entries to be submitted by February 10. Designed for children, from 6 and under, to age 15, all the kids have to do to enter is simply make a Valentine, doing in his art work and using his own words.

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January Sale! Winter Jackets, Ski Jackets, Car Coats, Etc. Flare Pants, Dress Shirts, Suits, Sport Coats. Many other items in proportion.

Around The Area

Lois DeYoung, 18, of Lowell was reported in good condition at Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids with head injuries suffered in a one-car accident on Lincoln Lake, N.E. about 5 p.m. Thursday.
Miss DeYoung, driving south, near McPherson Street, when she saw another car pull out in front of her. Upon applying the brakes, she lost control of her vehicle.

Debra Jones, 13, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Jones of Route 2, Saranac, was killed Friday evening when she and a girlfriend were playing with a .22 caliber pistol, which accidentally discharged.

Mayor Clarence Blakeste of Rockford, Chairman of the Photo Contest Committee for the Grand River Watershed Council has announced the winners of the contest.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bieri of Massachusetts are visiting friends and relatives in the Lowell area.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Bollock, 3223 Buchanan, S.W. Grand Rapids, formerly of Lowell have just returned from attending the Western Reserve Life annual Leader's Conference held at Dorado Beach, Puerto Rico. Mr. Bollock won several awards at the meeting.

Ford Moves To Larger Quarters

Rep. Gerald R. Ford today announced that his district office will be moved to larger quarters in the building where it is presently located, 425 Cherry Street, S.E., Grand Rapids.

The office will be moved from the second floor to the first floor, where it will be more readily accessible to the public.

Spending Habits Survey Underway

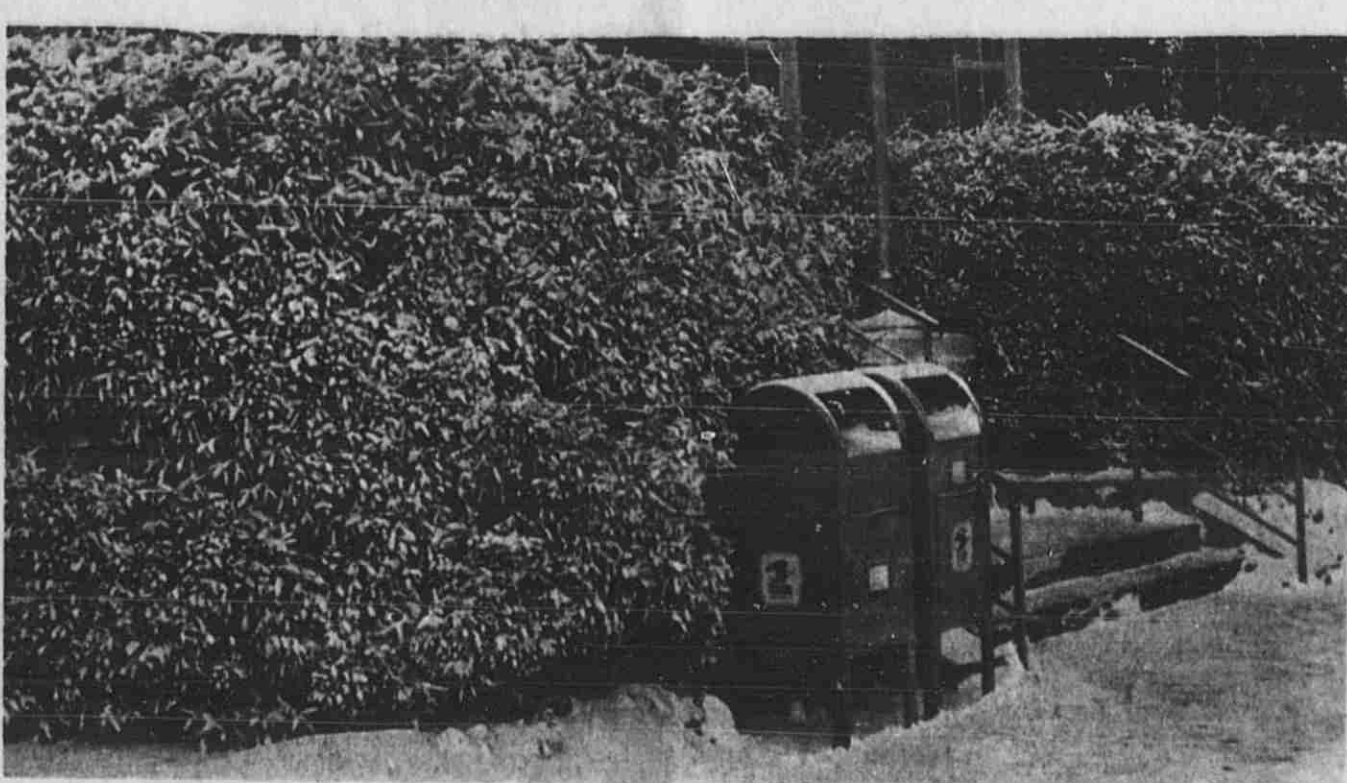
A major Federal survey of recent changes in consumer buying in the United States is underway in the Ledger-Suburban Life area, according to Mrs. Bernice Henk, Supervisor of the survey area office in Detroit.

The survey, part of a nationwide effort, is being conducted by the Bureau of the Census, a component of the Department of Social and Economic Statistical Administration (SESA), U.S. Department of Labor.

The undertaking, called the Consumer Expenditure Survey, will provide information needed to bring up to date the BLS Consumer Price Index (CPI) on which monthly price change data are based.

A sample of approximately 400 households in the area covered by the Detroit office will be asked for detailed information on their expenditures for goods and services.

Working in this area will be Miss Carol Coker.



Snow laden shrubs outside the Lowell Post Office remind us, that despite the rain, sleet or snow, the mail must go through.

Partial Scholarships Available For YFU

Youth for Understanding International Teenage Exchange Program announced that the Grand Rapids Foundation has granted the sum of \$5,000 to YFU for partial scholarships enabling Kent County high school students to participate in Youth for Understanding's 1972 Summer Abroad program and the 1972-73 1 1/2 Year Abroad.

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This and That

The Board of Trustees of the Michigan Veterans Trust Fund has reappointed Frank Cuddey of 5326 Plainfield Avenue to continue serving on the Kent County Veterans Trust Fund Committee as the V.F.W. representative for a term ending December 31, 1974.

Current cut level issues in education will be examined by school board members and administrators at the annual mid-winter School Board-Administrator's Conference, February 8 at Michigan State University's Kellogg Center.

Applications for licensing examinations for dealers wishing to qualify to sell "restricted use" pesticides are now being accepted by the Michigan Department of Agriculture. Application forms should be requested through the MDA Plant Industry Division, Lewis Cass Building, Lansing, Michigan 48913.

The U.S. Department of Labor has announced authorization of \$1,267,327 in Federal funds for job training and related instruction for more than 2,000 men and women in Michigan.

A special dark, mally beer called "Bock" may be sold starting February 21 according to the Michigan Commerce Department's Liquor Control Commission.

Modeling And Grooming Clinic

Saturday, January 29 has been chosen for the Head to Toe Grooming and Modeling Workshop planned for 4-H Personal Appearance members and other interested youth.

Registration will begin at 1 p.m., at Huff School, 2286 Ball, N.E., Grand Rapids.

This program is one of the opportunities for members in the Personal Appearance projects planned by the Kent County 4-H Dmas Revue Committee, including Mrs. Robert Simpson, Mrs. Richard Glas, Northview, Mrs. Claire Kober, Mrs. Vernon May, Sparta, Mrs. George Redman, Comstock Park, Mrs. Errol Knapp, Mrs. Edwin Merzman, Grand Rapids, Mrs. Harry Padgett, Alto, and Mrs. William Hoekwater, Jenison.

For more information about this activity or the 4-H program contact Mrs. Phyllis O. Constance, 4-H Youth Agent, Cooperative Extension Service, 728 Fuller, N.E., 456-4482.

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# Jaycees To Conduct Showboat Pageant

Jaycee president, Norm Veliquette, has announced that the 1972 Miss Lowell Showboat Pageant will be conducted by the Jaycees. The Jaycee board of directors approved the project at a recent meeting.

Ed Ridgway will chair the project. After attending a meeting of the Miss Michigan Pageant Committee in Muskegon, chairman Ridgway reported that the Miss Lowell Showboat Pageant will be franchised by the state pageant committee. The area covered in the franchise requires that the Lowell pageant be open to contestants from a large area in the central to western section of Michigan.

The Jaycees believe a beauty pageant and a Showboat Queen will be an effective technique for promoting attendance at the Showboat. "As I see it," said the Jaycee president, "the Lowell Showboat has been a source of community pride for a long time. We hope our efforts will strengthen it. We think involvement of young ladies from surrounding communities—with proper publicity—will strengthen the image of the Showboat and build attendance."

In other actions, Ron Raynor was appointed head of the project to restore the 1923 Lowell Firetruck—recently acquired by the Jaycees. Hope was expressed that the Fire truck could be entered in early summer parades and fairs, featuring the Showboat Queen, to promote the Lowell community and the Showboat in particular.

Falling temperatures mixed with Monday's rain, wind and snow caused roads to be especially slippery this week and travelers' warnings were issued for parts of mid-Michigan. The driver of the car above soon realized the warnings were well founded.



Slippery roads caused a rash of mishaps on "accident alley" last week. The worst result was this compact Corvair, which saw the driver hospitalized in critical condition, after a two-car accident on M-27, west of Lowell.



Area accidents have taken their toll lately of cars to the junk yards. This late model vehicle was rolled over several times, before it began to fall in pieces. The drivers injuries included multiple bruises, and a loss of several teeth.

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## Hazel Hoag Honored

Hazel Hoag, Lowell's oldest Main Street merchant, received due recognition last Wednesday at a luncheon held at the Civic Auditorium Market in Grand Rapids.

Dan Newlander, director of the Independent Retail Merchant's Association presented Hazel with an honorary Charter membership and a dozen red roses.

A bronze plaque duly engraved was given to Hazel for her 34 years as a buying member of the Association. She has been on Lowell's Main Street since she was 16-years-old, when she started making hats.

## Non-Airline Traffic Increases

General aviation passenger traffic increased 2.7 percent in 1971 compared to 1970, the Michigan Commerce Department's Aeronautics Commission reports.

Muskegon County Airport had the largest increase—11.6 percent—followed by Kent County Airport in Grand Rapids with 10.3 percent and Lansing's Capital City Airport, 8.6 percent.

Detroit City Airport recorded the highest number of general aviation passengers with 362,000 followed by Oakland-Fontana Airport, 340,000, Capital City Airport, 247,000 and Detroit Metro, 233,100.

## Den 8 Has Busy Year

This has been a busy year for Den 8 of Pack 3102. Our Den Mother is Mrs. Parks, her helper is Mrs. Eschich.

We have made bird feeders, Halloween decorations and for Thanksgiving we dipped candies and made Pine Cone turkeys. We made plaster casts of animal tracks, visited the James Voss Observatory and had a skating and sliding party where we roared ed hot dogs.

The boys in our den are Mark Eschich, Cam Parks, John Raterink, Jim Valentine, Danny Valentine, Allan Tolle, Jeff Hendrix, Jeff Jacobi, and Ron VanOverbeck.

Scribe, John Raterink

## Community Calendar

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 27**  
The Thornapple Unit of the Grand Rapids League of Women Voters will meet Thursday, January 27, at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Cascade Christian Church.

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 28**  
The third Artist's Concert in the St. Cecilia Music Society's series will be the University of Michigan Chamber Singers. They will be presented on Friday evening, January 28, at 8:15 at the St. Cecilia Auditorium, 24 Ransom Avenue.

The Flat River Snowmobile Club will hold a Safety program for their club members and their families at their clubhouse on Friday evening, January 28, at 8 p.m.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 31**  
The RCYF of the Ada Community Reformed Church will sponsor a hymn sing "Fill the Gap," on Monday, January 31, at 7:30 p.m.

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1**  
Island City Rebekah Lodge No. 282, Lowell will meet Tuesday, February 1, at the I.O.O.F. Hall at 8 p.m. This will be installation of officers.

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3**  
Vergennes Cooperative Club will meet at the home of Gertrude Ryder with Ruth Bergen as co-hostess. Mrs. Ray Borgersen will give a book review. There will be a Valentine exchange.

## ON THE TAX SCENE

**QUESTION:** Joe and Ellen are married and their joint income is \$12,000. Joe figured out all of their possible itemized deductions including contributions, interests, taxes, medical expenses, etc. and they totaled \$1,350. Should Joe and Ellen plan on itemizing their deductions on Schedule A this year?

**ANSWER:** No, it would not be to their best interests to itemize. For the tax year of 1971 the standard deduction has been increased to 13% with a maximum of \$1,500. Joe and Ellen would be eligible for the maximum standard deduction of \$1,500—which is more than their itemized deductions of \$1,350.

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Feb. 10 Louise Doyle Philippines

Feb. 16 Nancy Roth Brazil

Feb. 24 Paula Demers Holland

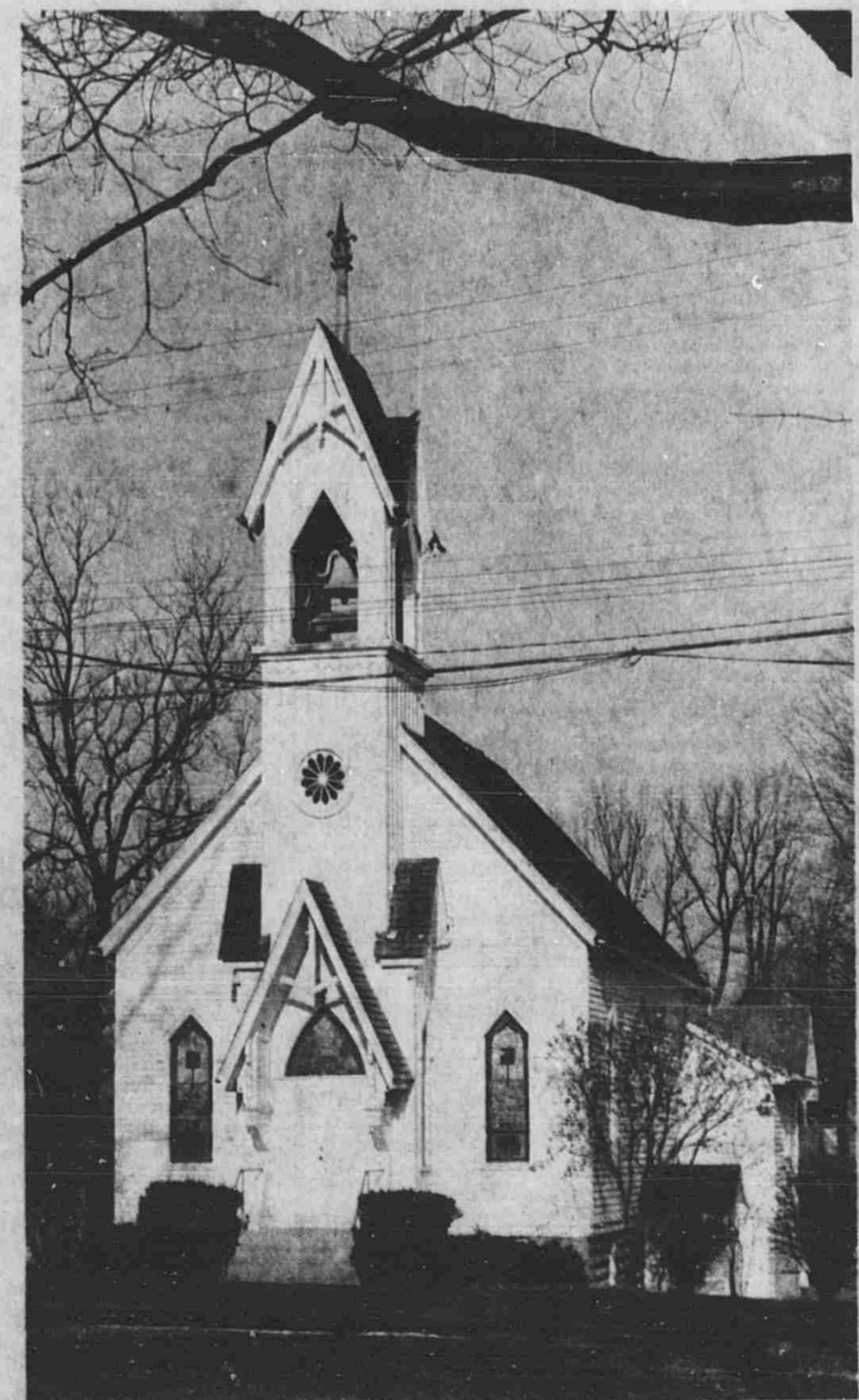
Mar. 30 Barb Wurdahl Denmark

**Lowell High School Auditorium 7:30-9:00 p.m.**

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## Church Of The Week



## Come to Church

ASSEMBLY	CHRISTIAN	EPISCOPAL	NAZARENE
<b>Cadaver Memorial Assembly of God</b> 2230 3 Mile Road N.E. Morning Service 10 A.M. Sunday School 11 A.M. Christ Ambassadors (Youth) 6 P.M. Evangelist Services Rev. Daniel Rootli, Minister	<b>Cascade Christian Church</b> (Disciples of Christ) 2839 Thornapple River Drive SE 949-1360 The Rev. Raymond Gayford Pastor Morning Worship 9:15 & 10:30 Sunday School 9:15 & 10:30 Youth Group Meetings 5:00 p.m.	<b>St. Michael's Episcopal Church</b> 201 North Washington 2965 Wyckoff Dr. SE The Rev. R. Craig Bell Vicar Holy Eucharist 9:00 a.m. Child Care Provided	<b>Church of the Nazarene, Lowell</b> 201 North Washington Rev. James E. Letzeman Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Young People, Juniors 7:30 p.m. Evening Worship 7:30 p.m. Prayer, Praise Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Supervised Nursery—All Services Come and Worship With Us
<b>First Baptist Church - In Alto -</b> Corner 60th & Bancroft Ave. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Fellowship 7:30 p.m. Richard A. Beach, Pastor Telephone 868-3011	<b>Ada Christian Reformed Church</b> 7152 Bradford 876-1698 Rev. Ralph Brewster, Pastor Morning Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.	<b>LUTHERAN</b> <b>St. Matthew Lutheran Church</b> Temporary Meeting Facilities Cascade Elementary School Corner of Burton St. and Cascade Rd. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Pastor: Rev. James E. Henning 1070 Waltham, SE Phone: 949-7696	<b>REFORMED</b> <b>Ada Community Reformed Church</b> Rev. Charles B. Wisniet 7227 Thornapple River Drive 676-1032 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:20 a.m. Evening Worship 7 p.m. We invite you to make this community church your church home. Welcome to all!
<b>Eastmont Baptist Church</b> 5038 Cascade Road Sabb. Dec. 26 Rev. Bert Gardner 11 a.m. 7 p.m. Jan. 2 Rev. Dudley Morgan 11 a.m. 7 p.m. Primary Church 11:00 a.m. For Ages 4 through 8	<b>Calvary Christian Reformed Church of Lowell</b> 1151 W. Main Street Rev. Bernard Pymantel, Pastor Phone 977-8811 Worship 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Supervised Nursery During All Services WELCOME, FRIEND!	<b>Trinity Lutheran Church (L.C.A.)</b> 2700 E. Fulton Road Services of Worship 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Nursery Care Provided Raymond A. Heintz, Pastor	<b>Eastmont Reformed Church</b> Corner Ada Dr. & Forest Hills Parsonage - 4637 Ada Drive Services 10 a.m. & 6 p.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Rev. James Underwood "The Church Where There Are No Strangers" WELCOMES YOU
<b>First Baptist Church of Lowell</b> 2275 West Main Street Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Family Prayer Fellowship 7:00 p.m. Rev. Earl Decker For transportation or Spiritual Counsel, Call 977-8835	<b>First Congregational Church of Ada</b> (On Fellowship with the United Church of Christ) 7339 Beacon SE 676-5281 Rev. C. Jack Richards Pastor Morning Worship 10:00 a.m. (Nursery Care Provided)	<b>METHODIST</b> <b>Vergennes United Methodist</b> Corner Pennell and Bailey Morning Worship 10:00 a.m. & Fellowship 11:00 a.m. "The Little White Church On The Corner"	<b>WESLEYAN</b> <b>Wesleyan Church</b> 1069 Lincoln Lane Rev. A. C. Yates Sunday School 10 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m. Youth Service 6 p.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m. Sunday School Bus Pick-Up 8:30 a.m. "Christ Is The Answer"
<b>BIBLE</b> <b>Bethany Bible Church</b> 2900 Fulton, East "Holding Forth the Word of Life" - Philippians 2:16 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Evening Services 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m. Pastor: Rev. Raymond E. Betus	<b>First Congregational Church, Lowell</b> (Member United Church of Christ) N. Hudson at Spring St., Lowell F. Ervin Hyde, Minister Church School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 p.m. (Nursery and Nursery provided)	<b>First United Methodist Church of Lowell</b> 621 East Main 897-7514 "Echoes of Thrasher" Rev. Balbo Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. Church School 9:45 a.m. (Nursery during both services and Church School) Dana L. Bailey, Minister Hartwell Conway, Assoc. Minister	

## At Trinity Lutheran Elect Five Members To Church Council

Five members were elected to a three-year term on the church council of Trinity Lutheran Church at the annual meeting of the congregation Wednesday, January 19. They are Merrill Black, Robert Hunter, Mark Johnson, Harry Pohlad and Lloyd Stoll.

The congregation also approved changes in confirmation and Holy Communion practices. A special committee headed by William McClintans studied the recommendations of the Lutheran Church in America calling for a lowering of the age at which young people are to be admitted to the Lord's Supper. These recommendations came from a report of a joint commission made up of representatives of the Lutheran Church in America, The American Lutheran Church and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

When the new program is implemented, young people will be admitted to Holy Communion, following instruction in the significance of this sacrament, as they come near the end of grade five. The practice has been to admit young people to Holy Communion after confirmation at about age 15.

A budget for 1972 was approved, which includes support of several local inter-church agencies; Grand Rapids Area Council of Churches, Grand Rapids Youth Ministry, The Bridge-House for Runaways, and the Community Counseling and Personal Growth Ministry.

## CYF Youth To Serve Chicken 'n Biscuits

The CYF Youth Group of the Cascade Christian Church will attend the International Affairs Seminar in New York, March 4-11, which they have traditionally done for the past several years.

A big money-raiser enabling the Youth to participate in this seminar is their annual sponsorship of a Chicken 'n Biscuit dinner.

Saturday, February 12, the aroma of this succulent chicken highlighted by homemade cherry pie, will fill the church's Fellowship Hall.

This year, however, the CYF will only serve the first 300 eager to eat diners. Servings will be at 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. The famous dinner, served by the CYF, is prepared by Mrs. Emma Quiggle, who's recipe of preparation makes your mouth water, and leaves you filled to the gills.

Reservations can be made by calling Mr. and Mrs. Fay Johnson at 949-0555.

## 'The Race Is On'

The two fifth grade Sunday School Classes at Cascade Christian Church are in the midst of competition with each other. For the months of December, January and February, the goal is for one class to earn more stars than the other. This can be attained by regular attendance, learning memory verses, bringing Bibles and attending church, as well as Sunday School.

The 9:15 a.m. classes, current leaders with 111 stars is taught by Mrs. Ann Weaver. Following close with 99 stars is the 10:30 class led by Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Byerly.

The losing class will treat the winners to a party.

## Thingamajig! Game Night

One of the most unusual fun and game night programs, known as THINGAMAJIG, will be conducted Thursday night, January 27, for the teenagers of the area.

The program is jam packed with thrills, spills and chills that every fun-loving teenager can enjoy. The event will take place at Comstock Park High School Gym in Comstock Park at 7:30 p.m.

After a thoroughly exciting and tiring series of competitive fun games and the winning team is known, the teens will hear one of the country's leading youth speakers, Don "Robbie" Robertson, Associate Director, Word of Life Island. Word of Life is an international youth organization with headquarters in Schroon Lake, New York.

THINGAMAJIG is being sponsored by some of the area churches and Word of Life Bible Clubs.

## 'We Are God's Stewards'

Sunday, January 30, "We Are God's Stewards" is the sermon topic being used by Priest Marvin Lone at the 11 a.m. morning worship at the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints of Alaska.

Church school for all ages is held at 9:45 a.m. There will be a hymn sing at 6:45 p.m.

At the 7 p.m. evening worship, High Priest Dirk Venema is teaching a class on "The Greater Endowment."

Wednesday, February 3, 7:30 p.m. Midweek Fellowship Service.

## Pre-Kindergarten Opening In Second Semester

The weekday Pre-Kindergarten Program of the First United Methodist Church of Lowell is now accepting enrollments for the second semester to begin Monday, January 31.

Parents interested in the Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning program for their child may contact the Board of Directors Chairman, Mrs. Orion Thaler, or the instructors, Mrs. Dean Bailey and Mrs. Allen Maltzer.

The eighteen-week program has fourteen children currently enrolled with an opening for one additional student.

If enrollment goes over 15; the board would utilize a third teacher to keep the child-teacher ration at optimum level.

## Missionary To Speak



Ralph M. Miller, a 21-year-old veteran of missionary service in Latin America and Costa Rica will speak before the Lydia Circle of the First United Methodist Church of Lowell Thursday, February 3, at 9:15 a.m.

Mrs. Donald Kelly, Program Chairman, invites all interested women of the community to share in the program in the church lounge.

Mr. Miller is an agriculturalist, managing the Methodist Rural Center in Ciudad Quezadas, Costa Rica, a lay preacher and agronomist for Goodwill Caravans. Recently he has been Secretary of the Agricultural and Industrial Cooperative in Ciudad Quezadas.

A native of Jackson, Michigan, Mr. Miller spent most of his early life in Battle Creek and attended Central High School there. He was in the Navy V-12 Officer Training Program in World War II and graduated from the University of Idaho in animal husbandry and dairy management. He received his master's degree in Animal Science from the University of Florida in 1968.

## Mid-Winter Rally

The entire staff of the Children's Bible Hour will present their MID-WINTER RALLY Sunday, February 6, at 6 p.m. at the Wealthy Street Baptist Church, corner of Wealthy and Eastern in Grand Rapids.

The inspiring number, "The King Is Coming," will again be presented by Johnny Hall, the Cousins Choir and trumpeter, Ardie. On hand also will be all the other members of Aunt Bertha's happy family.

Don't miss the Mid-Winter Rally of the Children's Bible Hour Sunday, February 6, at 6 p.m. at the Wealthy Street Baptist Church.

## 'Fill The Gap' Theme For RCYF Hymn Sing

"Fill the Gap," is the theme selected for the January 31 hymn sing to be held at the Ada Community Reformed Church. Open to the public, the hymn sing is being sponsored by the RCYF group of the church. It will begin at 7:30 p.m.

If you have a favorite hymn, like to sing, or just sit and listen to others, join the RCYF for an evening of musical entertainment, and you'll help "fill the gap."

## Sherwood Singers

The Sherwood Singers, a gospel singing group from Wyoming, Michigan, are a new addition to WZZM-TV's religious programming. The Singers appear on TV 13 every Sunday from noon to 1:30 p.m. with a program of song and instrumental music.

Organized in 1967, the Sherwood Singers consist of Grace Rozema, piano; her daughter Nancy singing alto; her son, Howie, and his wife, Cheryl, singing tenor and lead; with Wayne Hodgson singing bass, Steve Giddings on the drums, and Dave Carrier playing bass guitar. Driver of the bus which takes the Singers to their various engagements across the country is Jason Rozema.

## Doerr Guild To Meet

The Doerr Guild of Cascade Christian Church will meet Wednesday, February 2, at 9:30 a.m.

At this meeting, Guild members will send Valentines to the servicemen. In March, cookies will be sent.

If any servicemen's addresses have been changed, notify the Guild.

## League Of Women Voters To Meet January 27

Thornapple Unit of Grand Rapids League of Women Voters will meet January 27 at 9:30 a.m. in Cascade Christian Church Fellowship Hall. Discussion, Kent County Welfare, Mrs. Elmer Locke, Discussion Leader.

Resource participants: Mrs. John Tremore, Mrs. Gary Hicks, Mrs. James Clifford. Baby sitting \$1 per mother. All interested persons are invited.

## Are You Getting Married? Engaged?

Are you planning a wedding or getting engaged? The Ledger-Suburban Life will be happy to print your wedding and engagement announcements in our weekly edition.

Wedding photos and pictures should be in our office at least one week prior to the event. Engagement announcements should be submitted on the Friday before the publication date.

All photographs should be black and white, however, colored prints will be acceptable if the background is not defined.

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# Troop 334 Wins Klondike Derby

Boy Scout Troop 334, sponsored by Cascade Christian Church, finished first in the Klondike Derby held at Walker Park recently.

# Coaches To Sponsor Donkey Basketball Game At Forest Hills

Edward Shy, Athletic Director at Forest Hills High School, announced this week that there will be a "Donkey Basketball Game" February 5 at 7 p.m. in the Forest Hills High School gymnasium.



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# Golden Gloves Action Starts February 2

Mike Swiger and Terry Flynn, popular 1971 Golden Gloves champs are looking for added state laurels in the amateur boxing tournament starting Wednesday, February 2, at the Grand Rapids Civic Auditorium.

# Legislature Passes Athletic Bill...

Representative Martin D. Butz (R-Kent County) this week reported that both houses of the Legislature have now backed a bill which he co-sponsored giving control of Michigan high school athletics to the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA).

# Rangers Over Rams New Heroes Lead Team To Victory

Midway through the third quarter Forest Hills pulled away from Rockford with only one starter still on the court. That starting five leftover was Randy Lanning leading the Rangers with 18 points in their 75-65 victory over Rockford last Friday night.

Forest Hills leading rebounder, 6'3" Rick Wagenaar, left early in the first quarter with two personal fouls. Kraig Klynstra filled Wagenaar's gap with six points that put the Rangers on top of a 16-13 opening stanza count.

Al Heible, Rockford's stocky senior center, drove home a three-point play that tied the score at 20-20. The Rams built a 26-22 lead before Forest Hills retaliated with eight straight points.

Moments after Dave Slater grabbed his eighth rebound Lanning sank the final Ranger basket before intermission. Forest Hills guarded a slim 36-31 margin going into the dressing room.

Not willing to yet concede a home defeat the Rams surged back early in the third quarter taking a 42-41 lead on a swish by junior guard Mark Hubbard.

A field goal from Slater, another by Lanning, then two from Klynstra gave the Rangers a 53-45 advantage. Rich Silver and Joe McCormick, playing in sub roles at the guard positions, forced a bevy of Rockford turnovers.

Lanning meshed 14 points in the second half, pumping in six of seven from the field, and causing coach Larry Wilson to remark, "It isn't wasn't for his shooting we would have been dead."

Overall, the Rangers enjoyed their warmest night of the year in the field goal department hitting 32 of 66 shots.

Coach Wilson expects changes at the guard positions for Friday night's crucial encounter with East Grand Rapids. He added, "Rebounds will be the key to this one." The game starts at 7:45 in the Forest Hills gym.

Table with 2 columns: FOREST HILLS (75) and ROCKFORD (65). Rows include FG, FT, PF, T for various players like Wagenaar, Lanning, Slater, Heible, Hubbard, Zalkoveren, Klynstra, Vond, Vahav, Silver, McCormick, and Totals.

OK RED STANDINGS table with columns W and L. Rows include Kentwood, East Grand Rapids, FOREST HILLS, Grandville, Godwin, Rockford, West Ottawa, and Reserves.

Friday, coach Jim Ogilvie's reserves won their seventh straight O-K Red contest turning their overall record to 10-0.

Bill Wagner scored thirty points and grabbed seventeen rebounds in pacing the attack. Tom Bean came through with 29 to complete a one-two Wagner-Bean punch. Gordy Oum led in the modesty department with seven assists.

Wagner damped in the final basket clinching the game with eleven seconds remaining. Forest Hills 71, Rockford 67.

Prior to the JV game the Ranger freshmen frustrated the Rockford offense with a 51-25 thrashing. Rod Lanning led the assault with seventeen points and sixteen rebounds. Tony Grochowalski collected fourteen points. Coach Paul Leavenworth's freshmen are now 9-0. They rattled Ottawa Hills 51-32 earlier in the week.

# Forest Hills Gathers Momentum On The Pad

Rangers Tame Wolverines 36-15

Forest Hills rolled over Godwin in an O-K Red mat last Thursday night that kept alive their chances for a second place conference finish. Most of the squad have reached their prime wrestling weights with only one league dual remaining before the conference meet on February 12.

Neidenthal nullified tiny Randy Piechoci to the mat at 2:24 in the evening's first bout. Craig is undefeated in league competition and stands an excellent chance of gaining the No. 1 seed in the conference tournament.

Only 1:34 into his match with Godwin's David Ortiz, Sypien posted his second first period pin of the week giving the Rangers a 12-0 lead.

Bob Almy squeezed by Larry Diebel on a 9:27 decision that put Godwin's first points on the board.

Forest Hills took the next five matches building to a 30-3 margin. Kelly stopped Rich Heintzelman 4-0 before Johnson flexed his muscles with a pin at 0:59 of Rick Boom. Les Champion and Brad Gregory both earned 3-0 decisions that set the stage for the match clincher where Paul Grabarek moved to a third period rollout to edge muscled Jim Schreiner 2-1.

In the 147 lb. division Godwin's Les Cantu as a 3-0 decision Jim Salzwedel 4-2. Jed Bush blanked the Ranger's Gordy Simon 9-0. Then Abel Gonzales proved that he was with a 5:22 pin on Forest Hill's Bob Cooper.

Ranger heavyweight Dennis Hill crushed Doug Bush with a pin at 3:39 leaving the Rangers with a 36-15 victory.

On Thursday (January 27) the Rangers invade East Kent wood fieldhouse to do battle with the Falcons in their final conference dual of the season.

# SPORTS

Forest Hills Sports by Bob Campbell, Saranac—Journalism Class Lowell Sports by Brooks Johnson

# Ranger Tournament Attracts Mat Powers

The Forest Hills gymnasium will be the site of the third annual "Woodland Invitational" wrestling tournament Saturday, January 29. Boosting four teams rated high in their respective state polls, last year's Class B state team champions, and several state individual titlists and medal winners this tournament should score as one of the top wrestling attractions in Michigan.

Preliminary matches will start at 1 p.m. with the semifinals and finals slated for 7 p.m. Replicas of the NCAA team trophies will go to the champion and runner-up schools. Willard DeJonghe, principal at Forest Hills, will present the team trophies and individual awards.

Closed circuit television viewing, provided in the lounge, will give the tournament its "lap of luxury" feature. Bill Allen (Lansing), Mike Bentley (Lansing), and Jack Scott (Rockford) will officiate.

Coach Mathews Compiles Chausiers  
Holt—Coach Gary Smith's Rams are the defending Class B state champions led by last year's 152 lb. state champ Don McNeilly.

Grand Lodge—Rated third in the last Class A poll coach Dave Porter's Comets have won the West Central Conference title in ten of the past eleven seasons. Chuck Mathews, coach at Forest Hills, has given the Comets the most tournament favorites.

Shelby—1969 State C-3 Champions, Shelby is again rated first in statewide polls. Coach Gary Darling's Tigers are undefeated in duals this season.

Harper Creek—Winners of last year's "Woodland Invitational" coach Dave Studer's Beavers claim a dual meet win streak of 22 straight. They are currently rated second in the "B" state poll.

Fremont—The Packers of coach Tom McDougall, rated fourth in Class B, are led by 167 lb. state champ John Stahira.

Niles—The Vikings have won eleven of the last thirteen Big Six Conference titles. Coach Ed Weale bring a young team led by 105 lb. Mark Whitmore (10-1).

Allegan—Emil Tomasek's Tigers have a strong tournament team paced by Vic Hiltchcock (11-0) and Gary Ashley who both placed in the 1970 "Woodland" tournament.

Forest Hills—This host school took the first "Woodland Invitational" in 1970 and have won 51 dual matches in the past five years.

# Saranac Wins First Game By Upsetting Carson City-Crystal

Saranac High School's Mark Miller scored on a driving layup shot with only four seconds to play to give his team a Big 59-58 upset win over Carson City-Crystal in a Tri-Central conference basketball game Friday night at Saranac. It was the home school's first league win against five setbacks.

It was nip and tuck all the way with Saranac holding a slight lead, 13-11 after the first quarter, a 25-25 advantage at the half, and 46-43 going into the final quarter.

With the clock reading 2:08 left to play CCC's Mile McCrackin tossed in two free throws to give his team a 58-57 lead which they maintained until Miller sank the decisive bucket.

Dave Vroman led balance scoring attack for Saranac with 19 points, followed by Randy Butcher with 13, Mike Mason with 11 and Don Vroman with 10.

Flint Northern fought back with victories over George Mautic, Mack Truax and Ken Rasch. Jerry Kropf put Lowell back in the scoring, taking an 11-2 decision to bring the score to 15-10.

Flint Northern pulled into the lead following victories over Kraig Haybarker, Gary Barber and a tie with Perry Beucham. The Arrows went further behind when Gordy Batey was pinned in the third period putting the score at 24-17.

185 pounder, Paul Klifman, felt his own shoulders against the mat for the second time this season and Flint Northern led 30-17.

Senior Dave Wisner fought Lowell's score closer after pinning his opponent in the third period of the final match.

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# Conference Record Is 6-1 Matmen Handed Two Dual Defeats

While Lowell's basketball team was idle last week the Arrow matmen handed a busy schedule.

The grapplers upped their conference record to 6-1 with a 36-17 stop over Belding and dropped their season dual record to 10-3 after two defeats at the hands of Owosso High School and Flint Northern.

The Arrows zipped past Belding last Wednesday night mainly by taking command of the lower weights.

Gary Wisner started Lowell off with a second period pin over Karl Badersieder.

The Arrows gained an additional six points when the 105-pound division was forfeited to Dale Dawson.

Belding got on the scoreboard after Senior George Mautic lost a hard fought match against Tom Nowak.

Belding picked up two points when Tim O'Neill belted Senior Mack Truax to a 0-0 draw. Ken Rasch cut Belding's scoring short with a win against Jerry Lakeway.

Sophomore Jerry Kropf overwhelmed his opponent, pinning 54 seconds into the first period. Kropf won sports a 12-5 record with 9 pins.

Senior Kraig Haybarker pushed Lowell's score to 26 points, defeating Dan Tift 6-0. Perry Beucham met an unexpected tough opponent and fell 5-0.

Belding continued to roll with victories over freshman Al Kline and Sophomore Gordy Batey to bring the score to 17-26.

185 pounder Paul Klifman rode his opponent all over the mat working for a pin, but took a 15-0 decision.

Senior Dave Wisner showed Klifman how to do it, whipping his opponent's shoulders to the mat in 54 seconds for his 14th pin of his undefeated season.

The remainder of the week did not go as planned. The Arrows traveled to a dual quad in Flint Northern, where four teams meet each other separately in duals, but wrestled only two teams as a fifth team was invited and another team was late.

Although the meet was not completed it was more than enough for Lowell to lead the conference.

The Arrows' first match against Flint Northern saw Lowell two points in the lead with four matches to go, yet falling by seven points after two Flint pins and a decision.

The Arrows second match against Owosso High School wasn't nearly as close. Owosso won the first straight win in the lower and middle weights and passed the Arrows 24-17.

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# Snowmobile Accidents Increase, Draw Concern

The State Police are becoming very concerned with the recent increase in snowmobile accidents, according to the Director, Col. John R. Platts.

The short snowmobile season in Michigan so far has accounted for at least 15 snowmobile fatalities, and nine of these deaths have been recorded on Michigan highways, where snowmobiles are generally not allowed, the director noted.

Colonel Platts reminded snowmobile enthusiasts that the new law governing the recreational vehicle was recently changed by the Legislature.

The new law made, among others, the following changes:

- (1) Snowmobiles cannot be operated on any part of the highway or highway right-of-way south of M-20. The sole exception is that, when necessary, operators may, with caution, cross the highway at right angles and may unload their machines on the highway right-of-way for the purpose of traveling the most direct route to an adjacent snowmobile area.
- (2) North of M-20, snowmobiles may operate on the extreme portion of the right-of-way, moving with traffic only, except when necessary to go around a bridge or culvert, again with caution.
- (3) They cannot operate on, or across, limited access highways anywhere in the state.
- (4) Snowmobiles cannot be operated on platted lands south of M-20 without permission of the owner. What this means is that the burden of fencing or posting the property is no longer on the owner, but instead the snowmobiler is required to obtain permission prior to entering the land.

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For further information call 897-7244.  
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### Notice To Vergennes Township Residents

The last day for receiving registrations for the Special Election of the Lowell Area School District is:  
Friday, February 4, 1972  
Persons registering after 5 p.m. on this day will not be eligible to vote at special election to be held on March 6, 1972.  
I will take registrations at my home, 1051 North Lincoln Lakes Avenue, evenings, and all day February 4.  
Irene Osborne, Clerk  
Vergennes Township  
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## NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS

Counties of Kent and Ionia, Michigan

for the Special Election to be Held

## MONDAY, MARCH 6, 1972

### TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a SPECIAL ELECTION will be held in said School District on

## MONDAY, MARCH 6, 1972

Act 269 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1955, as amended, provides as follows:  
"The Inspectors of Election at any annual or special election shall not receive the vote of any person residing in a registration school district whose name is not registered as an elector in the city or township in which he resides . . ."

The last day for receiving registrations for said special election will be

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1972

Persons registering after 5:00 o'clock p.m. on said day will not be eligible to vote at said special election. Persons planning to register must determine when the City and Township Clerk's office will be open for registration.

Under the provisions of Act 269, Public Acts of Michigan, 1955, as amended, registrations will not be taken by school officials and only persons who have registered as general electors with the appropriate Township or City Clerk of the Township or City in which they reside are registered school electors.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education of the Lowell Area Schools, Counties of Kent and Ionia, Michigan.  
HAROLD METTERNICK,  
Secretary,  
Board of Education.

### Our Men In Service

Navy Fireman Terry L. Rottier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis L. Rottier of 6079 Westgater Avenue, Alto, is in the Western Pacific aboard the San Diego based destroyer USS Chevalier, a unit of the U. S. Seventh Fleet.  
He joined the Navy in December 1969.

#### BEN G. HALL

Ben G. Hall, formerly of 604 Lincoln Lake, Lowell, is now a plane captain aboard the USS Roosevelt. His address is: Ben Hall, D 50979, VA 15 Line, F.P.O. New York, N.Y. 09501.

#### BARRY HORLING

Navy Airman Barry C. Horling, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer R. Horling of 922 Knapp N.E., Grand Rapids, completed the Aviation Support Equipment Technician School at Memphis.  
His duties will include the maintenance of gasoline and diesel engines gas turbine compressor units, air conditioning and related systems essential to the operation of naval aircraft.

#### JACK HENDRICK

Airman Jack E. Hendrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Duane T. Hendrick of 946 Lincoln Lake Avenue, Lowell, has completed his U. S. Air Force basic training at the Air Training Command's Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.  
He has been assigned to Chanute Air Force Base, Illinois, for training in aircraft maintenance. Airman Hendrick is a 1970 graduate of Lowell High School.

His wife, Christine, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thorne A. Brown of 1157 Fort Sheldon, Jenison.

#### KENT LANCASTER

Marine Second Lieutenant Kent M. Lancaster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis C. Lancaster of 4103 Oak Park Drive, and the husband of the former Miss Marilyn S. Pope of 558 Giddings, Avenue, SE, all of Grand Rapids, was commissioned in his present rank upon completion of the Officer's Basic School, Marine Corps Development and Education Command, Quantico, Virginia.  
Before entering the service he attended Ferris State College, Big Rapids, and Michigan State University, Lansing.

### Donations Made To Decorations Fund

Jack Beggs, 1971 president of the Chamber of Commerce, reports that the drive for the Main Street decorations closed with \$1,945 collected for the 1971 payment.

The Board of Directors thanks the following who were so generous:  
Roy & Marion Westcott, Dr. R. E. Reagan, Debonaire Shop, Thome Chevrolet & Buick, Lowell Lions Club, Jackson Motor Sales, Lowell Rotary Club, C. J. Christoff, Eastern Star, Lowell, Lyle Weeks Family, Women of Moose No. 1558,  
Ruthy Roth, Boyer's Guide, Lowell Women's Club, King Milling Pharmacy, Coon's Clothing, Smith & Clemens Motor Sales, Peter Speersta Agency,  
Wintchen Sales & Service, E. D. Richard, Rickert Electric, Suburban Life, Lowell Area Jaycees, Showboat Garden Club, Hallmark Division, Lowell Showboat Corp., Eye Machine & Tool, Home Show Door Donations, Don Seaman Family, Lowell Area Jaycees, Lowell Ledger.

Beggs reminded Lowell residents that donations are still being accepted at the Chamber of Commerce office.

### Legal Notices

VanderVeen, Frelhofer & Cook  
P.C.  
1125 W. Main Street  
Lowell, Michigan 49331  
PUBLICATION ORDER  
File No. 121,998  
State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Kent  
Estate of  
LEROY S. STANLEY,  
Deceased  
IT IS ORDERED that on February 10, 1972, at 9:30 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom, Grand Rapids, Michigan, a hearing be held on the petition of Roger William VanderVeen for allowance of his Final Account.  
Publication and service shall be made as provided by statute and Court rule.  
Date: January 5, 1972.  
A. DALE STOPPELS,  
Judge of Probate  
VanderVeen, Frelhofer & Cook  
P.C.  
By: George R. Cook  
Attorney for Estate  
1125 W. Main Street  
Lowell, Michigan  
A true copy,  
ROLAND R. ROBEY,  
Register of Probate  
c40-42

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PUBLICATION ORDER  
PETITION TO PROBATE WILL AND SETTLEMENT HEARS  
File No. 122,833  
State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Kent  
Estate of  
AUGUSTA,  
WMA  
GUS WINGEIER,  
Deceased  
IT IS ORDERED that on February 24, 1972, at 10:00 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom, Grand Rapids, Michigan, a hearing be held on the petition of Stanley Wain for probate of a will, appointment of a fiduciary, and for a determination of heirs.  
Publication and service shall be made as provided by statute and Court rule.  
Date: January 21, 1972.  
A. DALE STOPPELS,  
Judge of Probate  
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By: George R. Cook  
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PUBLICATION ORDER  
PETITION TO PROBATE WILL AND SETTLEMENT HEARS  
File No. 122,834  
State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Kent  
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VICTOR E. PORRITT,  
Deceased  
IT IS ORDERED that on February 24, 1972, at 10:00 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom, Grand Rapids, Michigan, a hearing be held on the petition of Edythe H. Bryant for appointment of an administrator and for a determination of heirs.  
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## Around Alto

### VOLUNTEER FIREMEN BUSY DURING 1971

A total of 55 fire and emergency calls were answered by the Bowne Township Volunteer Fire Department in 1971.  
According to Fire Chief Harold Metternick, a total of 35 fires were fought in Volunteer Townships; 11 assists were made to Lowell Township; seven to Caledonia Township; one to Cascade Township; and one to Ionia County.  
In a break-down of Bowne fire coverage for 1971, the Fire Chief listed 25 grass fires, one house, one trailer, two cars, one repeat call, one corn harvester, two false alarms, one tree, one rubbish.  
In other departmental activities, the Township is taking bids on a new 1,000 gallon pumper fire truck. The new unit will replace the 1946 model currently in use.  
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DYGTRE BARN DESTROYED  
BY \$30,000 FIRE  
A huge barn housing cattle, farm equipment, and hay, owned by Ludwig Dygtre of 6872 Morse Lake Avenue, Alto, was consumed by fire around 5 o'clock in the evening last Wednesday.  
The cattle were herded to safety as the fire engulfed the building, burning away \$30,000 in damages. The structure was not covered by insurance.

ARE YOU REGISTERED?  
On March 6, Lowell Area School District will hold a special election for the qualified electors of the district, on a mileage issue.  
The last day to register for said election is Friday, February 4. Your township clerk will accept registrations until 5 p.m. on that day.  
If your name isn't on the registration rolls, make sure you sign up before 5 p.m. on February 4.

COUNTY NURSE SPEAKS  
TO ALTO MOTHER'S CLUB  
Miss Wierama, the County Nurse, gave an informative talk to the Alto Mother's Club on Tuesday evening, January 18. Part of Miss Wierama's presentation was the showing of a film on health.  
A short business meeting was conducted by the club's president, Mrs. Kitty Dintman. She also announced that Mrs. Lois Frazer and Mrs. Sally Johnson would head the 1972 Penny Carnival, scheduled for May 5.  
The mothers concluded the evening with refreshments intermixed with a social time of relaxation.

NEW ITEMS NEADED!  
If your church, school class, Boy Scouts, Mother's Club or just a family get-together is happening, you're getting married or engaged, let us know. If we can obtain enough Alto news weekly, we will continue to carry the Alto column. Keep us informed. Send your news items in, or give us a call at 897-9261.

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Travel Safety  
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• Keep your cash at a minimum and use travelers checks.  
• If you are carrying credit cards, limit the number to those that are essential, leaving the rest in a safe deposit box at home; keep a duplicate record of their numbers.  
• Women should keep a firm grip on their purse (preferably a pocket book) when in a crowd.  
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### ANTIQUE AUCTION FRIDAY

Lee's Auction Barn, housed in the former Lyon's Market on Linfield Avenue (notably Main Street in Alto) will hold an auction this Friday, January 28 at 6:30 p.m.  
Auctioning off the antique bargains will be the firm's three new auctioneers, Nelson Zoel, Lou Dykstra and Jack Ferwerda.  
AMERICAN LEGION TO MEET  
Post 528, Alto American Legion will hold their February meeting on the 7th in their clubroom.  
All post members are urged to be in attendance. Plans for upcoming events will be made.

### 4-H Fair Board Re-Elects Directors

Dr. Richard Crisman and Ken Fitzsimmons of Caledonia and John Brower of Lowell were re-elected directors of the Kent County 4-H Youth Fair at the annual meeting of the 4-H Agriculture Association last Wednesday evening. Marvin Bunn of Rockford was also named to the board of directors.  
Junior directors selected were David Podley and Raymond Clakot of Walker, Miss Lee Ann Thome, Comstock Park, Miss Claire Renton, Grand Rapids, and Ed Gillet, Caledonia. The Board of Directors will meet in February for organization and election of officers.  
Other members of the Board of Directors who administer and direct the Kent County 4-H Youth Fair are E. L. Phelips, Cedar Springs, Jim Fales, Sparta, Ernest Blasher, and Paul Detmers, Lowell, V. C. Fairbrother, Caledonia, Bill Blume, Ada, and Mrs. William Vanhysyngher, Alto.  
Junior directors include Miss Marlene Haas, Alto, Miss Gail Warning, Lowell, Miss Margie Thome, Comstock Park, Miss Becky Hill, Walker, and Tom Briggs, Grand Rapids.

The financial statement presented at the annual meeting listed over \$5,800 in premiums paid to 4-H members who exhibited at the Fair in Lowell last August. An additional \$1,000 was spent for ribbons, trophies, and special awards.

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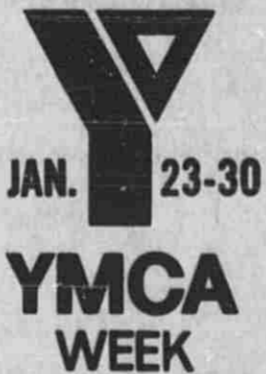
# Community Education Program Offered By Y And School



Looking over the curriculum for Government with instructor Tom Star, Mrs. Hunt decides that going back to high school looks tough but interesting.

A new era of service to the residents of the Lowell area is being offered as the YMCA and the Board of Education of the Lowell Area Schools announce plans to offer a "community education" program in this area.

Growing out of several meetings between the two groups, the program is designed to offer both high school completion courses to those persons who need the credit, and also a battery of leisure time activities.



Both groups have felt the need for the program for a number of years and eye this as the beginning of a presentation which is expected to grow as the needs of the community for education prospers.

Courses for high school credit and self-improvement include Arts and Crafts, English, Government, Psychology, and Beginning Typing.

Leisure Time Classes offered are Art Lessons, Beginning Bridge, Beginning Guitar, and Stock Investments.

Registration and/or additional information on these classes may be secured by calling the Y office, 897-7375, between the hours of 9-12 noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

## Membership Drive To Undergird YMCA Program

Gordon Gould, General Chairman of the Lowell YMCA Membership Drive, announces the sustaining membership part of the drive will take place in February with the Youth, Family, and Adult Memberships to be focused in March.

Men's Division Chairman, Howard Briggs, reports that Reverend Dean Bailey will head up the sustaining portion of the drive which will strive for a goal of \$1,050 to undergird the local YMCA Program.

In explaining the purpose of sustaining memberships, Reverend Bailey indicated that "these memberships help provide the financial support necessary to expand YMCA programs and activities to influence the lives of more young people and adults." He further stated that "a sustaining member in the YMCA buys nothing for himself; but he provides character building service for the young people of this community."

Sustaining memberships fall into three categories: the Century Club for those contributing \$100 or more; the Triangle Club for those giving \$75 or more; and regular sustaining for those contributing below the \$75 level. Thus a Sustaining Membership is within the financial reach of everyone.

The Lowell YMCA will be contacting area firms, organizations, and individuals this week by mail to become Sustaining Members. If you are missed; please contact the YMCA Office (897-7375) or Reverend Bailey for more information.



YMCA Sustaining Chairman, Reverend Dean Bailey, congratulates the Lowell Ledger-Suburban Life, represented by Miss Marie Smith, on becoming the first 1972 Sustaining Member of the Lowell YMCA.

## Deadline For W-2 Forms Is January 31

The deadline for employers to give employees their 1971 W-2 forms is Monday, January 31, Thomas A. Carozza, District Director of Internal Revenue for Michigan, revealed this week.

The form should show earnings, income tax withheld and Social Security information.

A W-2 from each employer has to be filed by the employee with his income tax return. Therefore, it is important that employers furnish W-2's to their employees by the date required to permit timely preparation and filing of employees' tax returns.

A penalty may be charged an employer for each late W-2 he sends out.

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## Save Your Newspapers!

When you get done reading this newspaper, save it! Don't throw it away. The Lowell Area Jaycees are going to have a paper drive.

The first three Saturdays in February, the 5th, 12th and 19th, the Jaycees will be canvassing the area for newspapers. No magazines.

The money realized from this drive will be used for various Chapter and community betterment projects, so start saving your papers now.

For information call 897-8853, or talk to any member of the Lowell Area Jaycees.

## Redistricting Deadline Set For March 1

March 1 has been selected as the tentative deadline for adopting an apportionment plan for the Kent County Board of Commissioners.

The date was fixed Thursday afternoon by the county Apportionment Commission which also set 5 p.m. February 7 as the deadline for the public to submit apportionment plans to County Clerk Jack Bronkema.

Elliott A. Serafin, commission chairman, said his group will meet at 7:45 a.m. February 8, in room 237 of the County Building to review the plans submitted by the public. There will be a public hearing on these plans at 7:30 p.m., February 9, in the County Building.

The county board consists of 21 members from 21 districts. The law provides that Kent, with a population of 411,044, may be divided into not fewer than five districts nor more than 21. The board has been a partisan body since January 1, 1969, and consists of 15 Republicans and six Democrats.



Instructor of "Psychology for Today" in the new Lowell Community Education Program, Gordon Gould searches through the files for a prospective students' high school credits.

## New Proposal For K-12 School Aid

One of the most important items in Governor Milliken's proposed budget is a new school aid formula. The Governor's new formula would help bring those school districts in the state that have a low tax-base up to a par with the more prosperous school districts.

The new formula replaces the 'split formula' utilized during recent fiscal years with a single formula for providing state aid to K-12 schools. This new one-part formula would provide a per pupil allowance of \$732.50, less what would be produced by 20 mills of property tax on the State equalized valuation per pupil, commonly referred to as SEV.

The important point about the new formula is that 'poorer' school districts receive the greatest increase in benefits. The proposed school aid formula will permit districts to share more equitably in the proceeds of state support taking into consideration their uneven ability to finance education programs out of their own local property tax revenue.

## Thank You

Lowell Moose Lodge and the Civics Affair chairman Red Baker wish to acknowledge the many contributors to the "Operation Santa Claus" program carried out each year by the Moose.

As usual the project for the needy families was a tremendous success because of the generous efforts of the Lodge members that worked on the Committee, and the individuals and the merchants with their much appreciated contributions.

Although cards of thanks have been sent to those people, we would like to thank publicly the following:

Bob Stuart, Bob Hemingsen, Al Grover, Steve Paitok, Jack Winks, John Minges, Pete Speerstra, Root Lowell Mfg., Campfire Girls, Schaffer's Bakery, Hallmark Inc., King Milling Co., Carl Kropp Orchards, Rosie Drive Inn, Jackson Motor Sales, Wittenbach Sales, Western Auto Store, Amway Corp., and House of Townsend.

Words cannot express our feelings of appreciation for the help and material donated by all concerned.

MANY, MANY THANKS.

Lowell Moose Lodge  
Civics Affair Chairman  
Red Baker

## Events Calendar

### FOREST HILLS SCHOOLS

Friday, January 28—No school. Freshmen, varsity and junior varsity basketball, home, East Grand Rapids. After game dance. End of First Semester.

Saturday, January 29—Varsity wrestling Woodland invitation, home, 1 p.m.

Monday, January 31—Girl's Basketball, Kentwood, home. Elementary Report Cards issued.

Tuesday, February 1—Athletic Booster's Association, 8 p.m.

Thursday, February 3—Varsity wrestling, Jenison, home, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, February 4—Freshmen, varsity and junior varsity basketball, West Ottawa, away.

Saturday, February 5—Senior High Solo and Ensemble.

### LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS

Thursday, January 27—Semester Exams, a.m. Junior High Basketball, Greenville, there

Friday, January 28—Semester Exams, p.m. Junior High dance 3:30-5 p.m.

Monday, January 31—Start of second semester.

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Arts & Crafts	Tuesday	7-10 p.m.	Sr. Hi F-2	17		February 1, 1972
English	Thursday	7-10 p.m.	Sr. Hi B12	17	*	February 1, 1972
Government	Thursday	7-10 p.m.	Sr. Hi A-12	17	*	February 3, 1972
Psychology	Thursday	7-10 p.m.	Sr. Hi F-4	17	*	February 3, 1972
Beginning Typing	Tuesday	7-10 p.m.	Sr. Hi A-2	17	*	February 1, 1972

\*These classes are given free to non-high school graduates, and to others for a fee of \$15.00 per class.

### Leisure Time Classes

	Day	Time	Room	Weeks	Fee	Date
Art Lessons	Wednesday	1-3 p.m.	Y-office	8	\$5.50 "Y" 8.50 non-"Y"	February 2, 1972
Beginning Bridge	Monday	7-8:30 p.m.	Y-office	6	\$6.00 "Y" 8.00 non-"Y"	January 31, 1972
	Thursday	1-3 p.m.	Y-office	8	\$6.00 "Y" 8.00 non-"Y"	February 3, 1972
Beginning Guitar	Tuesday	7-9 p.m.	Sr. Hi. F-4	8	\$6.00 "Y" 8.00 non-"Y"	February 1, 1972
Stock Investments	Tuesday	7-8:30 P.M.	Sr. Hi. A-4	8	\$2.00 "Y" 3.00 non-"Y"	February 1, 1972

Sign up for all classes at the Lowell YMCA, 323 W. Main St., Lowell. Phone 897-7375 between the hours 9:00-12:00 and 1:00-5:00. If you need help securing a babysitter phone the YMCA for names of certified babysitters.