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743 Say "No"

Petitions Halt Council Action

Proving that if you can get a group of people interested enough, they will turn out for a good old fashioned town hall meeting. The sorrow is that we don't turn out when only the seemingly dull day to day business is at hand. And really—it wouldn't be all that bad—certainly as interesting as some of the mish mash on the "boob tube!"

About 40 citizens were present at the City Hall Monday night to listen to the Council conduct its business as Mayor Carlen Anderson went down the evening's agenda.

The meeting was thrown open to comments from the audience by Mayor Anderson when he reached the storm-water-sewer separation and street project.

Two representatives from Williams & Works were present and reported on the results of the bids which were opened last week. They were pleased, they said, with the number of bidders on 4 separate contracts, having 10 to 16 bidders on each contract.

Gerald Henry, life long resident of Lowell and a Grand Rapids attorney, presented the council with petitions bearing the signatures of 743 residents in opposition to the proposed project. Mr. Henry commented that the signatures were secured in four evenings and there could have been more had there been more time. He also stated that he felt the proposed method of financing would place an undue hardship on many of the taxpayers of Lowell, hence the petitions.

Mayor Anderson revealed that councilman Harold Jefferies was going to Washington Wednesday to learn how definite the possibilities are—of Lowell receiving some federal aid.

Henry brought forth a bit of laughter when he suggested that perhaps Mr. Jefferies should go to Grandville, Mich., and find out how the taxpayers there are only going to have to pay \$400,000 of a \$1,600,000 project. However, Mayor Anderson pointed out that the two could not correctly be compared.

Butch Thompson spoke and said that he wanted to express to the council that many persons were not against the project itself but only in the method of financing.

There were other comments and much discussion regarding the need, alternatives, etc.

William S. Doyle then asked that the project be delayed until federal funds are made available.

It was apparent that the council had had a change of heart for they were willing to go along with the suggestion.

Earlier in the meeting, Councilman James Hall had made a motion for a resolution to delay the project, and for a time, it lay gasping for breath, but was finally rescued from its death throes when Doyle pointed out the fact.

The resolution to delay project was then passed and also that a public meeting be called when more details and facts concerning adequate funding from federal sources are secured.

So, read the council minutes, attend a council meeting—it won't hurt a bit! In fact, plan now to be at the next council meeting on May 1st at which time a petition to ban all open burning in the City of Lowell will be on the agenda. If you have some thoughts on this issue, show your civic concern by being there!

Police Probe Trunk Ride

When several people at the Dirty Shame Bar, in Ada, witnessed what appeared to be a kidnapping, they did not hesitate to notify local law enforcement agencies. Saturday, customers at the bar observed a man stop his car on M-21, place a small girl in the trunk, and drive away.

Lowell Police, Rockford State Police, and Kent County Sheriff's deputies responded to the call. The car was found at a house on M-21 after several hours of intensive search. When questioned about the girl, the man showed the officers to the bedroom in which his daughter was quietly sleeping. The man explained to officers that his daughter wanted to ride in the trunk of the car to see what it was like. Respecting his daughter's wishes, the man obliged. The incident is still under investigation.

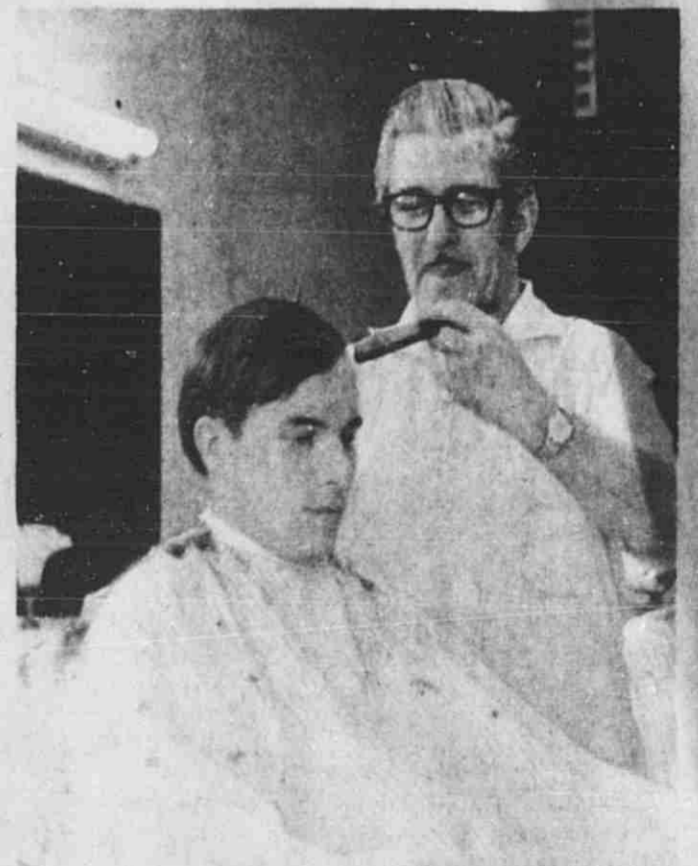
Annual Spring Musical Concert

The High School music department will present its annual Spring Concert, featuring the concert choir, directed by Paul Balaam, and the Concert Band, directed by William Mills, Wednesday, April 26, at the high school gymnasium.

Two highlights will be a trumpet trio, "Buglers Holiday," played by Mack Truax, David Slater, and Patty Hagen, and an Alto Sax solo "Percussion," played by Benn Ward.

No admission is being charged, but donations will be accepted for music purchase. The first note will ring out at 8 p.m.

Sisson New Governor



Lowell Moose Lodge No. 809 elected a new slate of officers April 13, and are now laying plans for official installation ceremonies in May.

Richard Sisson, a Lowell Barber, will serve as Governor of the Lodge. He replaces Dave Risner. Alan Seeley was elected Junior Governor, and Rick Fonger will serve the Lodge as Prelate.

Carl Smith will take over the treasurer's job, and James LeDuc will sit on the board as a trustee for three years, along with Hugh Linkfield. Mac Fonger will be the club's retainer, while Steve Paddock will remain in his long secured position as secretary.

Pillow Party

Well, everybody, the teen center has been coming along beautifully, and our thanks to all those who have been helping us. This Saturday at 7:30 in the Elementary All-Purpose Room will be our Official Opening Pillow Party.

ADMISSION for the Junior and Senior High students will be ONE PILLOW. The fantastic fun will consist of rock groups, free food, a pillow fight, a Giant Tug-A-War between the Junior and Senior High, and some games with super-cool prizes. Come on, teens! This is your chance to get involved. Be there! You won't be sorry you were.

Stockholders Named At Clarksville Elevator

Clarksville Elevator, Inc., has filed articles of incorporation with the State of Michigan, which have been returned to be filed in the office of Mrs. Phyllis Laviolette, Ionia County Clerk.

The new firm has issued 10,000 shares of common stock at \$10 par value. Stockholders include Robert Kleinhessel of Grand Rapids, Larry Curtiss of Lake Odessa, Robert Hardy of Saranac, W. J. Robinson of Lowell, George Wieland of Alto, and Richard Bjork of Clarksville.

Fraudulent Trick Divests Lady Of Savings

Lowell Police have arrested Frank Forrest of 512 King Street, Lowell, for obtaining money under false pretenses over \$100, to wit \$5,600.

Forrest has demanded examination in Judge White's 63rd District Court. Bond was set at \$5,000. He still remains in the County Jail.

He allegedly entered the home of Mrs. Leona Minard of 516 King Street, while she was a patient at Butterworth Hospital and relieved her of a savings account book and assorted items; some of which have been recovered.

Using fraudulent methods funds were withdrawn from the State Savings Bank, and used to purchase a brand new pickup truck from a local dealer.

The investigation is being handled by the Lowell Police Department.

Airport Terminal To Be Enlarged

Bids for construction of an addition to the terminal building at the Kent County Airport will be opened in Grand Rapids May 9, the Michigan Commerce Department's Aeronautics Commission announced today. The project, part of a larger expansion of airport facilities, is being financed with state and local funds.

Accidents Welcome Spring . . .

Traffic was delayed on M-21 Tuesday afternoon as Linda Leilheit, 19, of 3042 Clenn Road, Ionia, was injured as her car crashed into the bridge over the Grand River in Ada. Her car was West bound on Fulton, around 3:30 when it hit the shoulder of the road and she lost control. The car hit the cement median, became airborne and crashed into the bridge railing. She was taken to Blodgett Hospital where she was listed in good condition with multiple head lacerations and rib fractures. She was cited as driving too fast for conditions.

Also on Tuesday, April 11, Louis Hansen, 8, of 2593 Patterson Ave., suffered minor injuries after he was struck by a car driven by Frank Roberts of 7129 Leyton Drive, Cascade. Roberts was unable to avoid hitting the boy as he darted in front of the car's path.

In another incident, a Grand Rapids woman was taken to Butterworth Hospital after the collision at Forest Hills Avenue and Cascade Road, Wednesday night. The car in which Dorothy Baty, 836 Crosby, was a passenger, collided with a car driven by Francis Bryant, of 7326 Cascade Woods.

Dorothy Baty was reported in fair condition Thursday in Butterworth Hospital. Richard Baty, driver of the car, was cited for failure to yield right-of-way as he attempted to turn left onto Forest Hill Avenue. He apparently did not see the Bryant car that was proceeding through the intersection.

Seeks Clerk's Job

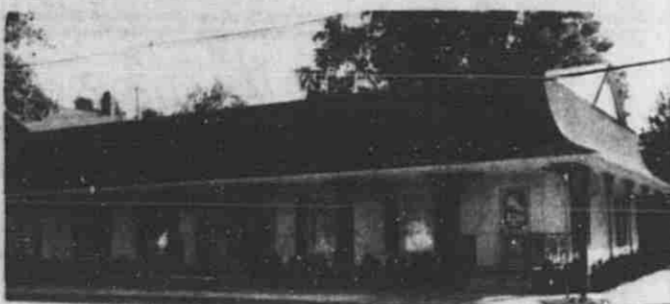


Mrs. Evelyn Schurtz, 1633 Thornapple River Drive, Cascade, is circulating petitions, and has announced her candidacy for the office of Clerk of Cascade Township.

A resident of Cascade Township for 22 years, she is currently secretary of the Cascade Businessmen's Association and is a past secretary of the Cascade Township Planning Commission. She is also serving as co-chairman of the Building Fund campaign for the Cascade Christian Church.

Mrs. Schurtz is seeking the office being vacated by the retirement of the present clerk, Minor Cook. June 20th at 4 p.m. is the deadline for filing petitions. Her name will be placed on the August 8th Primary Ballot.

Helping her in her campaign will be her husband, Ralph, and their daughter, Sandra, an eighth grade student at Forest Hills Junior High.



Erroneously omitted in our front page article last week was the New Orleans motif incorporated by the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home on North Hudson Street. Their new decor won the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce's yearly award for the best exterior improvement in 1971.



A \$5.3 billion revenue-sharing bill that contains money for nearly every unit of government in Michigan comes up for a House vote this week and supporters say its passage is assured. The State would receive \$90.4 million annually for five years, while local units would divide \$152.7 million. Lowell's total grant would be \$49,167, \$15.73 per capita.

Several suspects are being checked out, as Lowell Police search for the culprits who entered Parker's Service on West Main Street Monday night. Making their entry through a back window, they walked off with a lot of candy and cigarettes.

All problems have been resolved between the Lowell Police Department and its reserve members. A dispute over attire, caused eight reserves to resign, however, after negotiation talks . . . all are back on duty.

Harold and Rose Ball opened their Softie Creme Shop on East Main Street over the weekend, and were swamped for business, in two ways . . . first by customers, then by the flooded street conditions from Sunday's rain. Despite all, the ice cream was delicious as usual, especially the cones topped with chocolate.

Approval of transfer of an SDM license from Robert Reagan and John Topp to Donald J. Jennereth of the Tiny Giant was granted at Monday night's City Council meeting. Earlier, the former owners of the B&J grocery were fined \$25 for failure to get consent of the Michigan Liquor Control Commission to sell or transfer their interest.

Lowell Showboat Corporation was granted permission to close Lafayette Street on June 19 by the City Council at Monday's meeting. A resolution to permit Showboat to hang a banner over Main Street, July 1-31, was also passed.

Robert John Martin, 24, of 301 East Main Street, Ionia, escaped with only facial injuries, when his car skidded through an intersection on Grand River Drive, striking the stone abutment on the South Division Street Bridge. Martin's 1967 Chevrolet was burned to a crisp. He was cited for failure to stop in an assured clear distance. The Lowell Fire Department answered the call at 3:15 a.m. Monday morning.

It's Spring housecleaning time . . . and plans are being made by the City of Lowell to stage their annual "Clean-Up, Fix-Up and Paint-Up Week, May 8 through 12. During this week, the garbage collectors will haul unwanted items that can be lifted by one man. Watch for further details.

Moments of frustration! That's what Police Chief Barry Emmons was put through Tuesday afternoon as he diligently tried to pick the lock of a bathroom at 606 Grindle Drive to retrieve 2-year-old Tricia Wittenbach, who had locked herself in. Emmons eventually broke the door in, reuniting the scared little miss with her mother.

A good samaritan! While riding his 650 Yamaha through Saranac Saturday afternoon, Mack Truax of Lowell, dropped his wallet containing \$371, and didn't discover his loss until later. Sunday morning Truax received a phone call from Jim Kimball, a student at Saranac High School, stating that he had found the wallet. The money, Truax had acquired from selling his old bike was still intact; Kimball refused the reward offered.

APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE - Lowell Barber Shop. Fridays only - Call Fred, TW 7-8102. c 1 & 3

ROSIE DRIVE INN - This Week's Special: Hot Dogs 15¢ Mustard, Catsup only. Family Nite, Tuesday, 4-3. c 2

HAIR ANALYSIS—And Reconditioning for Today's Man with problem hair. Lowell Barber Shop. Ted & Fred. c 2

Gains Classroom Teaching Experience

Western Michigan University students who plan to become classroom teachers will end their directed teaching assignments in schools throughout the state this month.

ing of the Kelloggville School system. Georgia Lynn Rich, 1669 Buttrick Road, Ada, is direct teaching in the Taft Elementary School of the Wyoming Public School system.

Church Of The Week

Bethany Bible Church

CHURCH SERVICES

ASSEMBLY Calvary Memorial Church of God... CHRISTIAN REFORMED Ada Christian Reformed Church... EPISCOPAL St. Michael's Episcopal Church... SNOW UNITED Methodist Church... BAPTIST First Baptist Church of Lowell... NAZARENE Church of the Nazarene, Lowell... LUTHERAN St. Matthew Lutheran Church... REFORMED Eastmont Reformed Church... CONGREGATIONAL First Congregational Church of Ada... BIBLE Bethany Bible Church

Activities Keep OES Chapter Busy

Three important coming events for the members of Lowell's Cyclamen Chapter No. 94, Order of the Eastern Star, will add the topping to a month of busy activities.

A program by chalk artist, Mrs. Grace MacNaughton will highlight "Friendship Night" Friday evening, April 29. Her program "Chalk Talk" will enlighten the open meeting, to which the public is invited.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY, APRIL 20 The Ionia County Panama Grange will be at Ronald Grange Hall April 20. Potluck dinner at 7 o'clock. Bring own table service and a dish to pass.

FRIDAY, APRIL 21 Lincoln School P.T.A. all games party Friday, April 21, 8 p.m. in the all purpose room, 860 Craven Rd., N.E. Refreshments, prizes. Tickets available at the door.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22 The 13 Chapters of the Eastern Star of Kent County will hold a Jacobus Saturday, April 22, with an evening of fun and entertainment at 8 p.m. Refreshments to be served; 50¢ donation.

MONDAY, APRIL 24 The Past Noble Grand Club will meet with Agnes Watson Monday, April 24, at 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26 "Fiddler on the Roof" is the choice of the Auxiliaries of Saint Mary's Hospital and the Variety Club of Grand Rapids for their co-sponsorship of a gala Benefit Movie Premiere.

THURSDAY, APRIL 27 A Tour of "Homes with Personality" will be presented by the Women's Guild of the Grand Rapids Urban League on Thursday, April 27 from 1 to 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28 Cyclamen Chapter No. 94, OES, Friendship Night, 8 p.m. Lowell Masonic Lodge. Mrs. Grace MacNaughton, Chalk artist, will give the program. Open to the public.

SUNDAY, APRIL 30 Cyclamen Chapter No. 94, OES, assisted by Clarksville Chapter 414 will have a Vesper Service on Easter Sunday, April 30, at the Lowell Masonic Temple at 4 p.m. Visitors are welcome.

Fellowship Day 'Behold The Woman' Church Women United will celebrate May Fellowship Day May 5, an exciting new way this year.

Cindy Sings Soprano

Miss Cindy Adams of Lowell will appear in concert this Sunday, April 23, at Central Michigan University's Choral, Concert Choir and Madrigal group appear at 8 p.m. in Warner Auditorium on campus.

To Hear Special Speaker Sunday

Sunday, April 23, Elder Walt Scheibner from Kalamazoo will be the guest speaker at the 11 a.m. morning worship at the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints of Alaska.

Inspirational Luncheon

The combined womens groups of Wedgwood Acres-Christian Youth Homes have announced plans for their second annual Ladies Inspirational Luncheon, which will be held May 4, at the National Guard Armory, 1200-44th St., S.W.



Lowell Debate team members (L-R) John Ross, Jeff Stevens, Kevin Hoag, and Joni Shade (not shown) received special awards of merit from the Detroit Free Press for their actions on the Debate team.

Buck Matthews' Special Show

WOOD-TV will present the Second Anniversary Special of "The Buck Matthews Show," on a one-hour live telecast, 9 a.m. May 1st, from Herppolzheimer's Kent Room in downtown Grand Rapids.

Around The Area

After spending three months vacationing in Florida, Mr. and Mrs. Charles White returned to their home in Lowell Sunday. While in Florida, they enjoyed visiting and playing golf with Mr. and Mrs. Chris Burch.

Clinton Bartlett of Saranac, who has been a patient at the Belding Community Hospital for several weeks, has been transferred to the Ionia Manor.

The Eastern Michigan University Jazz Lab Band will present a concert at Lowell High School this Sunday at 3:30 p.m.

Robert M. DenBoer has qualified for 1972 members in the Life Insurance Leaders of Michigan, a state-wide organization affiliated with the Michigan State Association of Life Underwriters.

Let Ionia County voters decide for themselves if they desire to have liquor by the glass sold within the county after 2 a.m. on Sunday.

L. William Siedman, has been named chairman of the Board of Control for 1972-73 at Grand Valley State College.

Patricia VanStyke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert VanStyke of Ada, won a second division rating in the Pottery Division of the Youth Exhibits at the Grand Rapids Museum last week.

In accordance with a temporary restraining order by a Federal Court, the U. S. Department of Agriculture today instructed State welfare agencies to suspend immediately and until further notice the requirement that household members must be related to be eligible for the Food Stamp Program.

Swiss bankers say they have less faith in the American dollar than in American stocks—and they're putting money into them. GI loans for houses this year are expected to top the 1971 total, which was a 14-year record.



The YMCA-Community Schools Art Class' Annual Spring Show was held during the past two weeks at the Lowell State Savings Bank. On display, were paintings in oil, water colors, pastels and charcoal.

Jackson-Erickson Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Erickson of Lake Odessa have revealed the engagement of their daughter, Cheryl, to Harold Jackson.

Jane Ward of Lowell, announced the engagement of her daughter, Jane Sweet to Daniel Thomas Champagne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Champagne of Southfield, Michigan.

Helen J. Grieves of Lowell, announced the engagement of her daughter, Helen J., to Kenneth H. Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Grieves of Saranac announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen J., to Kenneth H. Hill.

Are You Getting Married? Engaged? Are you planning a wedding or getting engaged?

new ARRIVALS THE Debonaire SHOP

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Foes of 2468 Central Street, Wyoming, Michigan, are the parents of a son, Miko Ray, born April 4 at Butterworth Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Alexander McPherson, Sr. of Lowell are proud to announce the birth of their third grandchild.

Restraining Order Halts Food Stamp Requirement

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THRILLS ADVENTURE Spectacular Color Motion Pictures Narrated in Person! Saturday, April 22, 1972 John Strong "The New Arizona" Multi-Purpose Aud., Forest Hills High * 8:00 P.M. Ada Congregational Church

THE Sports

Forest Hills Sports by Bob Campbell, Saranac-Journalism Class
Lowell Sports by Brooke Johnson

Rangers Strike Out

The Forest Hills Varsity baseball team dropped the opening two games of the '72 campaign last week. Both were non-league contests.

In the home debut last Monday, the Rangers fell beneath the bats of Grand Rapids Central 7-2. Burt McFenhech's 365 ft. two run homer in the first put Central ahead to stay. Forest Hills countered with one run in their half of the inning.

The visitors greeted Forest Hills' starting pitcher Steve DeFouw with four consecutive singles in the top of the third scoring three times before reliever Steve Leach got the side out. DeFouw suffered the loss.

Tim Mabin took over mound duties for Central in the fourth. Taking the win, he shut out the Rangers for the remainder of the contest. Leach and Dick Howey pitched strong, but too late, for Forest Hills.

Kevin Mead socked two singles in four trips as the bright spot in the Ranger attack.

Forest Hills coach Chuck Mathews commented, "Mechanically, we played a strong game, but we made mental mistakes that let them hit players shouldn't make."

Grand Rapids Central	203	200	0	-	7	7
Forest Hills Central	101	000	0	-	2	9

On Tuesday Mitch Ames blanked Zealand for five innings, never getting into serious trouble, but tired in the sixth when he was tagged for two runs giving the Sailors a 2-1 victory.

Keith Kraai went the distance for Zealand allowing only two hits and fanning six. Forest Hills ruined Kraai's shutout bid in the fourth when Brian Smith tripped to right center field and scored on an infield out. Mathews noted, "We wasted two other scoring opportunities by poor base running."

Forest Hills Central	000	100	0	-	1	2
Zealand	000	002	2	-	2	6

This week the Rangers enter league play with games against Rockford and East Grand Rapids, as well as a non-league encounter with Northview.

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Racket Pushers Win Two Of Three

If you think winning two out of three isn't bad, then you'll never win three out of three. Such is the thinking of the Forest Hills Varsity tennis squad after preparing for the three league matches this week with three non-league matches last week. Sandwiched between victories over Kenowa Hills and East Christian was the Cedar Springs setback.

Monday - Forest Hills 4, Kenowa Hills 1

The season opener, played on the Forest Hills court, saw the Ranger netters sock Kenowa Hills 4-1. Winning matches for the Rangers were Doug Schueller (first singles), Dan Ellinger (third singles), Rob Blanchard and Bill Reibel (first doubles), and Dan Gallagher and Mark Butler (second doubles).

Wednesday - Cedar Springs 5, Forest Hills 2

Two-time state Class B singles champion, Randy Maxton, defeated Schueller 6-1, 6-2 in the day's feature match.

Reibel took fourth singles for Forest Hills while Steve Martin and Brad Gregory captured third doubles.

Friday - Forest Hills 6, East Christian 1

Staying undefeated on the home court, Forest Hills stroked to a 6-1 victory over East Christian.

Victorious Rangers were Schueller (first singles), George Benisek (second singles), Ellinger (fourth singles), Blanchard and Butler (first doubles), Gallagher and Reibel (second doubles), and Martin and Gregory (third doubles).

This week Forest Hills plays important league matches with Godwin, Rockford, and East Grand Rapids.

Locations Set For District Baseball Play

Michigan's High School Athletic Association has announced locations for all 1972 baseball district tournaments which are being played this Spring.

Class B schools will play at Greenville, with teams from Belding, Big Rapids, Caledonia, Cedar Springs, Greenville, Lake Odessa, Lakewood, Lakeview, Portland Reed City, Remus, Chippewa Hills, Sparta, Stanton-Montcalm and Lowell.

In Class C, Saranac will play at Fennville.

Spartans Win Track Invitational

Sparta racked up 35 points to win the 10th annual Lowell Red-Arrow Invitational Track Meet last Saturday.

Charlotte took second with 23 team points and Portland placed third with 20%. Other team scores were Muskegon Reeths-Puffer 18%, Rockford 16, Greenville 16, Coopersville 12, Wyoming Park 12, Central Montcalm 8, Forest Hills 7%, Montague 4, Whitecloud 2, Ionia 2, Lowell and DeWitt, 1.

Unique to the meet were the field events which were contested by two-man teams from each school. The winner was decided on the basis of the combined efforts of the two competitors.

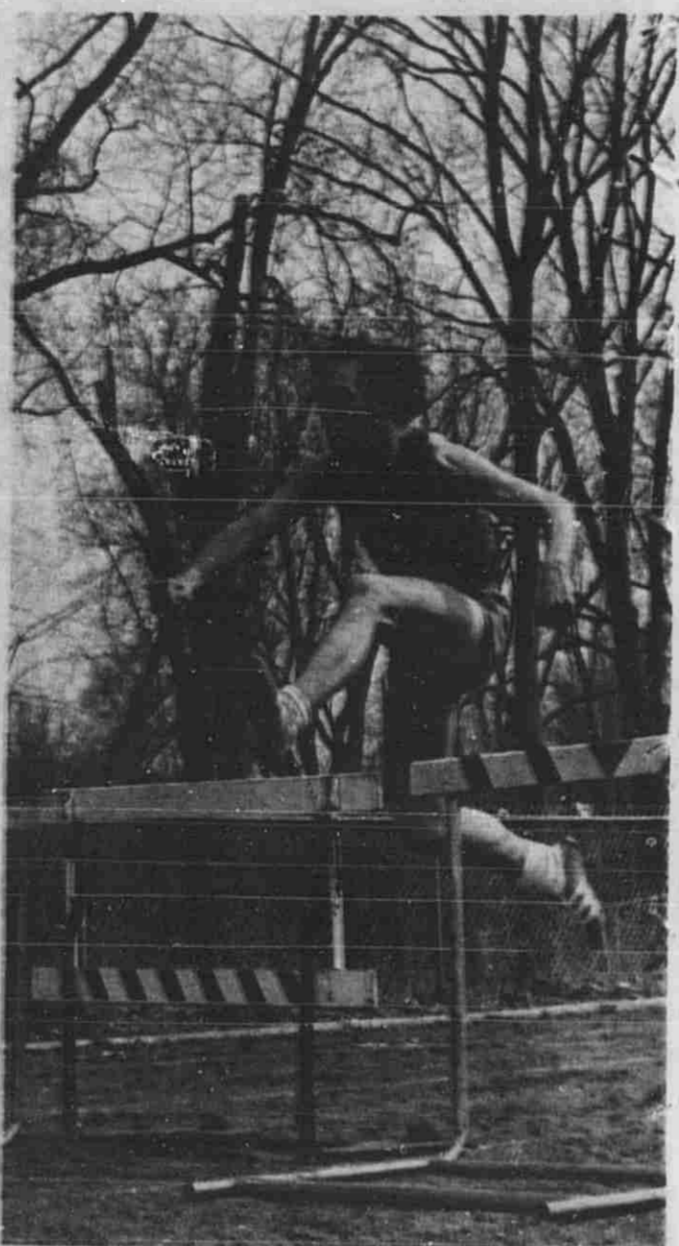
Sparta's Bob Rimbow and Don McCready combined to win the long jump, and both then competed in the winning shuttle hurdle relay and the 440 relay teams for Sparta. Sparta also placed first in the 880 relay with a time of 1:55.7.

Charlotte's distance medley relay team of Dave Ribbon, Dan Martin, Jim Chenoweth and Bill Byrtowek set a new 11:02.1 record, bettering their own record of 11:04.7.

Charles Durrant of Portland aided his team to a third position with a 6-7' leap in the high jump. Portland's sprint medley team was also a winner with a time of 2:38.2.

Muskegon Reeths-Puffer gathered all fourth position points in the second and third column, taking no firsts, but with a well-balanced team effort.

The brother team of Dennis and Dave Lille combined to win the pole vault for Coopersville.



ARROW DAN PIERCE - Making his bid in the low hurdle Saturday at the Lowell Invitational track meet.



Arrowhead Golf Club, under the new ownership of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lundy and family, opened their season of play last Wednesday, with several golf enthusiasts getting an early start out on the course. The first part of May will see the course open for league play, with teams from Arrowhead Corporation, Amway, and the Lowell 55-year touring the 18-hole course. The Lundys, who hope to provide the best golfing in the area, are pleased with the reception given them by the golfers from Lowell, Saranac, Belding and Forest Hills. "We know we're going to like this area," they added, despite the rain that hampered Sunday's play.

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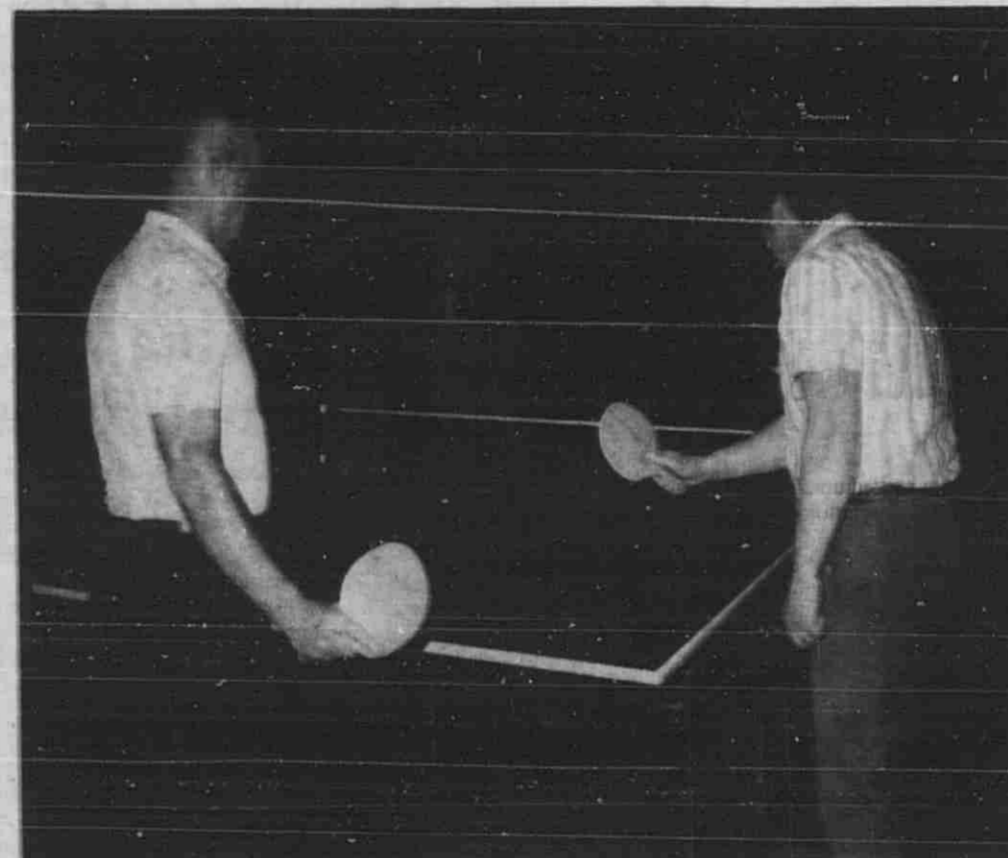


Table tennis enthusiasts, Leonard Jackson, Kim Lathwell, Gerald Meredith and Dr. Robert Kyser practice for the Y tourney this Friday. Spectators are invited to come out and watch.

Five table tennis champions will be crowned Friday evening at the Lowell YMCA sponsored tournament set for the Lowell Senior High School gym.

Rommie Moore, Executive Secretary of the Y, reports nine participants in the Junior High division, eleven players in the Senior High section, and twenty individuals in the Adult competition.

The tournament will be a double elimination affair with each participant playing at least two matches.

Area residents are most welcome to view the action free of charge. Junior Highs begin at 6 p.m.; Senior Highs at 7:30 p.m., and Adults at 8:30 p.m.

First round pair-offs are as follows:

Junior High Singles—Lindsay Fonger vs. Trent Spague, Jim Doyle (bye), Craig LaMonde vs. Mitch McNeal, Tom LaMonde vs. John Miller, Kevin Doyle vs. Larry Stevens.

Senior High Singles—Jeff Jarad vs. Scott Vashaw, Jerry Ganger (bye), Randy Jones vs. Karl Yost, Bob Hinton (bye), Jeff Stevens vs. Bob Morris, Tim Sprague (bye), Rick Siegle vs. Kurt Yost.

Senior High Doubles—Yost-Yost vs. Jones-Siegle, Hinton-Vashaw (bye).

Adult Singles—Dean Bailey vs. Dave Kagan, Leo Pfaller (bye), Don Post vs. Milton Homolka, Ted Stevens vs. Gordon Stark, Peter Walter (bye), Dennis Nead vs. Art Bieri, Doug Abel vs. Kim Lathwell, Beverly Homolka (bye), Allen Mulder vs. Leonard Jackson, Mike Doyle vs. Jerry Meredith, Keith Caldwell (bye), (bye), Russ Jackson vs. Robert Kyser.

Adult Doubles—Bieri-Caldwell vs. Pfaller-Post, Doyle-Walter (bye), Homolka-Homolka vs. Jackson-Kagan, Jackson-Kyser vs. Bailey-Mulder, Lathwell-Meredith vs. Abel-Nead.

In case the visiting Chinese Table Tennis team decides to visit Lowell, they should feel right at home. A "Y" sponsored tournament to be played on Nissan Tables, that most official National Table Tennis Association specifications, will be held this Friday.

Three star official tournament balls will be used, and tennis shoes are a requirement. The Rev. Dean Bailey and Gerald Meredith, hold a show fitting session before last week's practice periods. They will be among some 40 contestants seeking five TT titles.

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A Token Of Esteem . . .

At a recent meeting of the Legislative, Judicial and Taxation Committee meeting in the County Administration Building, Chairman Frederick Winter reviewed with the committee the many years of service Walter Gumsier of Lowell has given to the citizens of Kent County in many different areas, which have now been terminated by his resignation from the Kent County Library Board.

After some discussion, Commissioner Andrew DeKraaker moved to recommend to the Board of Commissioners that the following resolution be adopted:

"In 1926 Walter W. Gumsier came to the then Village of Lowell to start over a third of a century of service as Superintendent of Lowell Area Schools. Thirty-four years later, Walter W. Gumsier retired as Superintendent of Lowell Area Schools, but he did not retire from service to the people of Kent County. On April 12, 1960, he was seated as a member of the Board of Supervisors of Kent County. As a Supervisor he served on the Township and School Budget Committee and was Chairman of that Committee for the years 1965 through 1968. He likewise served on the Public Works Committee, the Public Safety Committee, and the Library Board. In 1969 he left the Board of Supervisors but continued his service on the Kent County Library Board until his retirement in March of 1972.

Walter W. Gumsier epitomizes the words "public service." With never a thought of personal gain or personal recognition he served the people of this County devotedly but unselfishly.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that this Board of Commissioners recognize the past service of Walter W. Gumsier to the people of Kent County and acknowledge our debt to him, and

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this Resolution be presented to Walter W. Gumsier as a small token of the esteem we have for him, and

Be it further resolved, that we wish him Godspeed for a long and fruitful retirement."

The recommendation was supported by Commissioner John Buth; and was passed unanimously. A wonderful tribute to a man who not only gave of himself for the County in which he lived, but to the community that can proudly boast Walter Gumsier played an important part in our betterment, our schools and our town.



WALTER W. GUMSIER

Firemen Honored

Three governmental units combined forces last Thursday evening to proffer a tardy, yet sincere token of appreciation, to the volunteer firemen of Lowell, for their willingness and dedication to carry out the essential and immediate duty of fire defense for the area.

Officials from Vergennes and Lowell Townships, and the City of Lowell were hosts to a standing rib roast dinner and program held in the Lowell Masonic Temple, with Elmer Wittebach offering the invocation.

Elmer Smith, a member of the County Fire Commission and supervisor of Lowell Township, took the role of master of ceremonies, and kept the program rolling. Comments from Carl Kropf of Vergennes, Carlen Anderson of Lowell and Carl Hadden of Lowell Township adequately expressed the area's gratitude to the department for services rendered. Kent County Fire Chief Jeff Geldersme also spoke.

The program "The Wonders of Alaska," told by Bernard Baer climaxed an evening's get-together for the firemen and their guests.

Members of the fire fighting unit honored were Frank Baker, fire chief; Nelson Stormzand, assistant chief; Richard Roth, treasurer; and the volunteers, Chauncey Boyce, Ray Alexander, Frank Martin, Pat McCormick, Herb Swan, Vern Strouse, Bill Flugler, Tom Ford, Orison Abel, Greg McClure, Al Towne, Frank Wright, James McFall, Garry McWhinney, Robert Adriano and Glenn Beiners.

It's Carnival Time

"Summer of '72" will be the theme for the Cascade-Thornapple Carnival, which will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. at Thornapple School Saturday, May 13.

There will be outdoor as well as indoor events this year, featuring real pony rides, "Up, Up, and Away" (a ferris wheel ride), Teddy Bear Toss, and "The Old Swimm'n' Hole."

Chairmen for the event this year are Mr. and Mrs. Louis Boonenberg.

WCMHS To Meet

Hartman To Be Master Of Ceremonies

The annual meeting of the West Central Michigan Historical Society will be at the Runciman Auditorium in Lowell Tuesday, April 25, at 7:30 p.m.

A short business meeting is scheduled with election of officers, a few announcements of interest and concern to all members and friends.

Several people from the Grand Rapids area with varied and unusual avocations pertaining to pioneering ancestry, will provide the program. The Ike Peters family of Sparta with some of their Indian folk lore, dressed in native costume, will perform. Paul Kerchner and Mario Kaminsky provide a background of banjo and guitar music dressed in their pioneer garb.

Municipal League's Meeting Draws City Officials

"New Trends in Zoning: State and Federal Zoning; Concepts and Trends" will be the first topic for general discussion at the Michigan Municipal League's Region V meeting in Grandville at the Sunnybrook Country Club Thursday, April 20.

Attending this meeting will be mayors, village presidents, councilmen and other officials from cities and villages in the counties of Oceana, Newaygo, Mecosta, Montcalm, Muskegon, Ottawa, Kent and Ionia. The City of Lowell will be represented by the five council members, Carlen Anderson, Dr. H. Mueller, Harold Jefferies, James Hall and Vince McCambridge and City Manager, Blaine Bacon.

Moderator for the first session will be Mayor L. W. Lamb, Jr., of the City of Holland, the speakers being Jay Eldridge, President of the Michigan Chapter of the American Institute of Planners (AIP), from the firm of Vilcan-Leman and Associates, Planning Consultants, and Bruce C. Brown, Planning Director for the City of Kalamazoo and past president of the Michigan Society of Planning Officials (MSPO).

The second general session topic will be "Metro-Multi Contact Services: Contract Agreements; County Home Rule; Federal Impact." The presentations will be made by Paul Frederick, City Manager of Muskegon; Commissioner John Brewer of Kent County; and a speaker from the HUD Detroit Office of Program Management.

The second half of the afternoon session features an additional general session. Mayor Thomas K. Eardley, Jr., of the City of Wyoming, will moderate the session on the environmental protection agency: "Solid Waste; Air Pollution; Water Pollution; Recycling Methods." Presentations will be made by a speaker from the Chicago office of the Environmental Protection Agency and Donald Pierce, Chief of the Waste Water Section, Division of Engineering, Department of Public Health, State of Michigan.

Following all of these presentations there will be question and answer sessions with the audience of city and village officials taking an active part, providing an additional opportunity for the exchange of ideas among municipal officials from throughout the region. At the dinner session welcoming remarks will be given by Michigan Municipal League President Gordon R. Bryant, Mayor, Huntington Woods. Robert E. Fryer, Director, Michigan Municipal League, will report on the League's 1972 Legislative Program. The meeting will conclude with the election of new regional officers for 1972-73.

Snowmobilers Plan Two Day Sale

A profit-making adventure for the members of the Flat River Snowmobile Club, Inc., will be undertaken in a two-day event, which will start this Friday, April 21.

Starting at 9 a.m., the Club will take over the V.F.W. facilities on East Main Street, where they will offer for sale various new and used items in their first annual "rummage sale."

On Saturday, April 22, the sale will continue with the doors opening for business at 9 a.m. and closing at 5 p.m. If you're looking for a bargain on spring and summer wear, or anything in general, stop and browse around, they may have what you're looking for.

Cubs Hail Ecology

The Cub Scouts of Pack 3188 have centered tonight's meeting around a "Keep Lowell Beautiful" theme with a Poster Contest and a Bird House construction project.

The meeting for the Cubs and their families will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Education Building of the First United Methodist Church of Lowell.

John Schippers, an employee of the Grand Rapids Public Museum will demonstrate scrimshaw on a powder horn, also gun and rifle making (flint-lock). Richard Irey will demonstrate the ancient art of flint and steel in striking a light.

Dave Hartman, an authority on Indian Lore, will be Master of Ceremonies for the program. All of the participants will be available for a question and answer period.

There will be refreshments following the program which is open to the public. Bring your friends and plan to spend the evening with heritage-minded people who are working hard to preserve our past for an appreciative public and posterity.

Hearing To Explore Unmet Health Needs

A public hearing to explore the unmet health needs of Kent County will be held April 26 under the sponsorship of the Area-wide Comprehensive Health Planning Unit (ACHPU).

"A long range goal of the hearing will be the establishment of a priority system to effectively and efficiently meet the needs expressed by citizens of the community," Robert Pew, Chairman of the Central Community Planning Unit of ACHPU, said.

The meeting is open to the public. Community-oriented organizations and individuals are invited to attend and present their views.

The meeting will be conducted by the ACHPU Central Community Planning Unit, which suggests that presentations be limited to five minutes in order to allow a maximum number of participants.

"A written summary accompanying the oral presentation would also be most helpful," Pew said. "The presentation might include a statement of need, factual supporting data, suggested solutions or alternatives to meet the need and other comments."

ACHPU is the federally-designated health planning unit for a nine-county area of West Central Michigan, including Kent County. Fifty percent of its funds come from a grant from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. The other 50 percent is raised from local public and private sources including United Fund and Community Services, other United Funds, private and community foundations and other local organizations.

The ACHPU Board of Directors is composed of consumers of health services and representatives of health professionals and providers of health services. Four geographic sub-units, including the Central Community Planning Unit, have been organized under the Board of Directors. Each of the four units will conduct public hearings on unmet health needs in its area.

The Kent County hearing will be held Wednesday, April 26, at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge of the Central YWCA, 25 Sheldon St. S.E., Grand Rapids.

Ford's Assistant To Visit Lowell

Congressman Gerald R. Ford announced today that his special assistant, Gordon Vander Till, will hold office hours on his behalf in Lowell Friday, April 21, in the City Council Room from 2:30 to 5 p.m.

Ford urged that all Lowell area residents needing help with a problem or simply wishing to express their views on national and international issues talk with his special assistant. No appointments are necessary.

This special community service is provided by Mr. Ford in order to meet the needs of the people in his congressional district as fully as possible.

A fulltime district office at 425 Cherry St. SE, Grand Rapids, is also maintained by Ford. Vander Till is headquartered there, and also visits communities throughout Kent and Ionia counties.

School Board Agenda

LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS

The agenda for the Regular Lowell Area School Board Meeting to be held Tuesday, April 25, at 7:30 p.m. in the Senior High School library includes:

1. Textbook adoptions
2. Review of building plans
3. Selection of auditors
4. School Bond Loan Program resolution

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