

## Chamber Says 'United We Stand, Divided We Fall'

At last Thursday's meeting, the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors discussed the renovation of the downtown business area.

It was the Board's feeling that nine directors cannot decide the future of the entire business area all alone. They must know how the membership feels.

Board President, Wayne Dowling, stated that he will personally contact each block captain to obtain the opinions and/or feelings of the businessmen. Just how do they want to go?

Apathy concerning a project of this magnitude is senseless. The very existence of the city is dependent upon its business and the situations surrounding it. If the businessmen and women want to work with present conditions, fine, but let's hear about it. If not, then let's start hearing ideas on how to improve things. What this boils down to is this: "United We Stand, Divided We Fall!"

The object of the Lowell Chamber of Commerce is to promote the commercial welfare of Lowell, make it a more desirable location for the investment of capital, more attractive as a place of homes, and to cooperate with all of our public institutions in their various enterprises. We must know what you want! The Chamber offices are at 215 W. Main, Lowell, phone 897-8545. Can we hear from you?

## Wayland State Gets Approval For Branch Bank in Freeport

A. H. Johnson, President of Wayland State Bank, announced today that the bank has received final approval from both state and federal regulatory agencies, of its application to locate a new branch office in Freeport.

The new Freeport Bank will be the sixth banking office of Wayland State Bank, joining the Main Office in Wayland and Branch Offices in Hopkins, Dorr, Alto and Clarksville.

The bank's service area will now include Barry County in addition to Allegan, Kent, and Ionia Counties already being served by Wayland State Bank.

Johnson stated that the new Freeport Bank is a direct result of the efforts of an interested group of Freeport citizens who were instrumental in encouraging the establishment of a Branch banking office in their community.

Wayland State Bank has specialized over the years in providing full banking service to the people of small communities. At the close of 1973, Wayland State Bank had resources in excess of 27 million.

## Bicycle Safety Violators Are Subject To Fine

By the calendar and not the thermometer, Spring is here, and with it comes the annual reminder from the Lowell Police Department to parents and children on bicycle safety, according to Michigan's Motor Vehicle Code.

The ten basic rules of safety include:

1. No double riding. If your bicycle is equipped and designed for one person to ride, only one person can ride on it at a time.
2. Don't hitch a ride with a vehicle (car or truck).
3. Ride your bike as close as possible to right curb, or right hand side of the road; always ride on the right hand side of the street.
4. Be careful while passing parked cars.
5. Ride in single file.
6. Don't carry anything in your hands while riding a bike that will prevent you from having both hands on the handle bars.
7. When riding a bicycle at night, you must have a headlight, white in color, which can be seen 500 feet ahead of your bicycle, and also a reflector on the back. It is also advisable to have a red light on the back of your bike.
8. Bicyclists must have a bell and good brakes on their bike.
9. You have a responsibility of obeying all traffic laws just like a car or truck. You must stop for stop signs, traffic lights, etc.
10. You are not permitted under Lowell City Ordinance 22-1 to ride your bicycle on the sidewalk.

These rules must be followed or your bike may be taken away from you by any observing police officer. Parents have the responsibility of seeing that their children are aware of the bicycle safety rules and comply with them. Riders found in violation of the law are subject to a ticket, resulting in a \$10 fee in fines and costs.

## Lowell Girl Undergoes Fourth Heart Operation

An eighteen-month-old Lowell girl has undergone her fourth major heart operation since her birth in 1972.

Wendy Neskey, daughter of Richard and Kathleen Noskey, 11112 Woodbush Drive, Eastgate, In-The-Woods, underwent open heart surgery April 4, at the Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago.

Born with a heart problem—the flow of her blood goes the wrong way—Wendy has had three previous visits to the operating table; two, within 48 hours of birth.

## Community Good Friday Service

The annual Good Friday Service, sponsored by the Lowell Ministerial Association, will be held Friday, April 12, 1:30 p.m. at the First Congregational Church of Lowell, 404 North Hudson Street.

Bringing the sermon on the topic, "The Meaning of the Cross," will be the Reverend Warren E. Holcomb, Vice-president of the association and pastor of the Lowell Church of the Nazarene.

Singing three special numbers will be the eighth grade choir of the Lowell Middle School under the direction of Mrs. Thomas L. Davis. Their repertoire will include: "In Gethsemane," "O Sacred Head Now Wounded," and "They Led My Lord Away."

William Wood, chairman of the Board of Deacons of the host church and worship leader, invites all persons of the community to attend the hour service and reminds parents that a nursery for small children will be available.

## Top Students Named



Leading this year's graduating class of 166 seniors at Lowell Senior High School will be Marlene Marks, valedictorian and Dean Roth, salutatorian.

Miss Marks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Marks, achieved a perfect 4.0 record for her four years of high school. Roth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph G. Roth, followed closely with an excellent 3.94.

Other honor graduates in the top ten of the class are Carrie Weemhof, Ben Porritt, Bonnie Shade, Mark Blanding, Mary Delmar, Tom Berg, Carol Myers and Jerilyn Wells.

## Nostalgia Sparks Response For The 'Good Ole Days'

Plans for recapturing a bit of the Spirit of the 'Good Ole Days' are taking shape, according to Terry Buck, promoter of the nostalgic days set to begin Saturday, April 20, at the Kent County 4-H Fairgrounds in Lowell and on each Saturday thereafter throughout the coming season.

"The response has been tremendous—the phone's been ringing off the hook," reported Terry, Monday morning.

Buck said all car dealers from Lowell, except one, will be represented as well as from Alto, Belding, Ionia and Portland.

Terry also said he felt antiques were "going to be big" and indications show strong interest in the arts and crafts areas but more farm machinery and livestock could be used.

Darlene Cahoon of Keiser's Kitchen will be on hand to tempt the appetites of visitors during the return to the 'Good Ole Days'—with good ole food, a prime ingredient for the success of such events.

Buck suggested those wishing space for exhibit booths should call for a reservation. A set-up fee of \$2.50 per booth, per day, will be charged for flea market exhibits and farmers selling produce.

For information give Terry a call at 897-9015.



### POOR RESPONSE...

Due to poor response, the assistance in preparing State Income Tax forms offered to Lowell area residents by a representative of the Michigan Department of Treasury, the April 14 date has been cancelled.

### COLLECTORS' SCRAMBLE...

In the world of fashion popularity trends, the paperweight is not known as a major mover or shaker. It has, in fact, languished in obscurity for many years. Now, it seems, the tide has turned. Turned, in one case, to the tune of \$21,000 for a single item—which is what a collector paid recently for an antique weight.

### MAPS ARRIVE...

A limited supply of 1974 Michigan Highway Transportation Maps have arrived at the Ledger office, 105 N. Broadway.

These maps are distributed free, so pick yours up today, before we run out.

We also have a supply of 1974 Kent County Road Maps on hand.

### SPRING CONCERT...

Lowell High School's annual Spring Concert will be held Thursday evening, April 18, at 7:30 p.m.

### GOOD FRIDAY...

The observance of Good Friday in Lowell will be held at 1:30 p.m. in the First Congregational Church, 404 N. Hudson Street.

Most Lowell stores will be closed that afternoon between 1 and 3 p.m.

### MOVES OFFICE...

Vern Phelps, Lowell's State Farm Insurance representative has moved from his West Main Street location to the Thornapple Office Plaza, 6115-28th St., S.E., Cascade.

His new phone number is 942-2590.

## Lowell Senior Center To Issue ID Cards

The Lowell Senior Center, in cooperation with the Lowell Area Jaycees, has made arrangements to provide an identification card to any senior citizen who does not have a driver's license or some other form of identification.

The I.D. cards may be obtained at the Senior Center at 214 E. Main Street on Tuesday afternoon, April 23. Applications are available at the Center and applicants may come in anytime to fill one out.

Howard Clack, Senior Center director, stated it is especially important for those who do not have some means of identification to obtain an I.D. card, as it is very often necessary these days to have some form of positive identification on one's person at all times.

You may phone 897-5250 for more information.

**ROSIE DRIVE INN**—Special of the Week—Hippie Burgers, 75¢. This Sunday morning—Easter Breakfast Special from 8 a.m. till 12 noon. Closed Sunday afternoon. Broasted chicken to go by the bucket. Steak & Lobster—something new!

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF LOWELL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Lowell Savings & Loan Association will be held at its office at 217 West Main St. on Monday, April 15, 1974, at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of electing three directors and such other business as may come before the meeting.

David F. Coons, Secretary

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## Lights For Sight Drive Is Tuesday

The Lowell Lions Club will hold its 1974 "Lights For Sight" drive Tuesday, April 16.

Beginning in the early evening, members of the Lowell Club will march door-to-door selling packages of light bulbs to raise funds for its various "sight" projects.

Each package contains six bulbs—two each at 60, 75 and 100 watts, and can be purchased for a \$2 donation to the Lions Club.

Previous sales conducted by the club have provided vaccinations for leader dog puppies, training for leader dogs, purchasing of several pair of glasses for Lowell area residents and some funds were sent to the Welcome Home for the Blind in Grand Rapids.

Although the Lowell Lions Club is involved in other local projects, all monies received by the light bulb sale are directed toward aiding persons who are blind or visually handicapped.

Lowell area residents are urged to leave their porch lights on Tuesday, April 16, so "the blind can see."

### HOW SOCIAL SECURITY IS EXPECTED TO CLIMB

Social security taxes will reach a level of 12.9 percent (6.45 percent paid by both the employee and the employer) by 1986 under the present law. This means employers and employees would pay a maximum of \$1,644.75 on a wage base of \$25,500 if the cost-of-living index rises five percent a year as anticipated.

This year, for comparison, the employer and employee each pay 5.85 percent on a wage base of \$13,200 or a maximum of \$772.20.

In 1949 the social security tax was one percent on both employer and employee applied to the first \$3,000 of income.

## Keep Your Dog Tied Up!

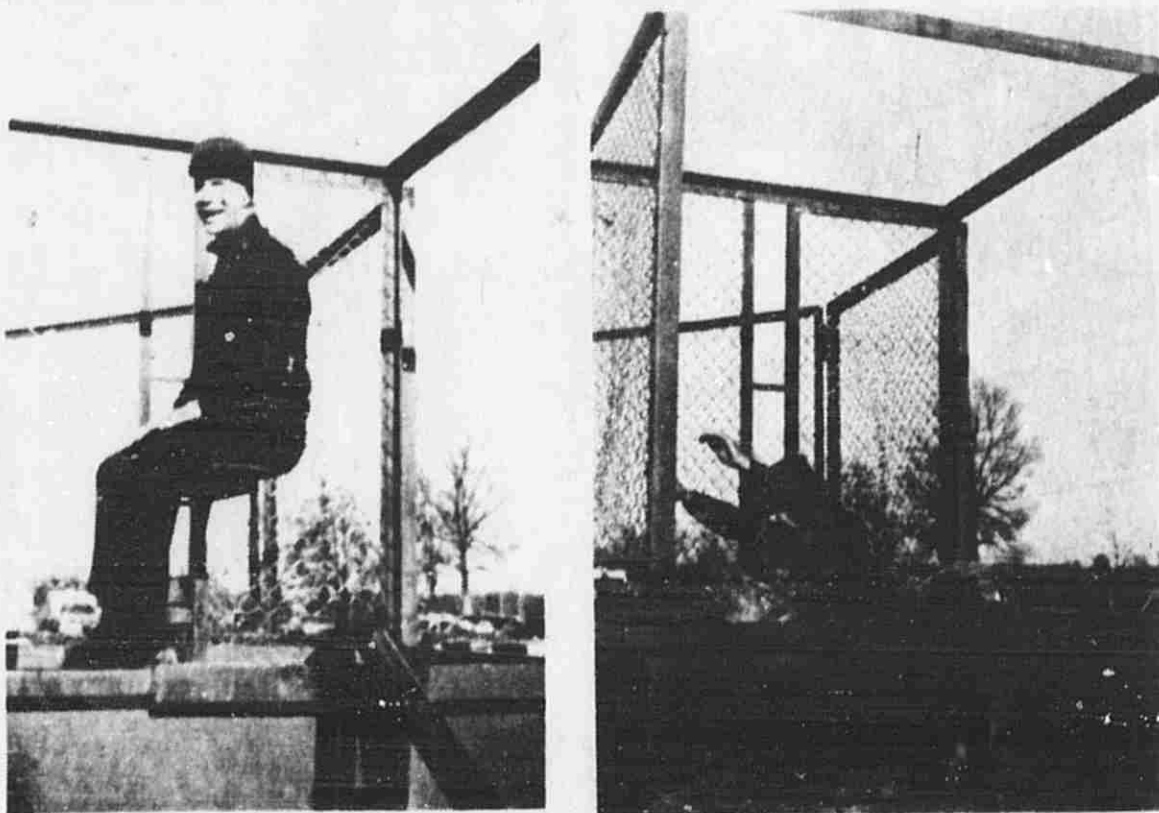
Issuance of violations will soon be coming out for dogs left out on their own, warns the Lowell Police Department.

Violations of Lowell City Ordinance 5-19 "Dogs Running At Large" will be issued to the owners of dogs that are found not under the control of a leash or in their own yard.

A dog warden will be picking these dogs up at the owner's expense.

Also, be kind to your neighbor, and keep your dog and/or dogs quiet at night.

**BAKE SALE**—St. Mary's Altar Society, Saturday, April 13, at Eberhard's, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. c1



**BIG SPLASH!**—Last year's carnival saw Alto principal, Roger Buck, a popular target in the dunker's booth.

## Lots Of Fun For Everyone At Alto's Spring Carnival

The Alto Mother's Club is busy once again getting plans underway for their annual Spring Carnival. This year's Carnival Co-chairmen are Joan Durkee and Charlotte Johnson. They are being assisted by Doris Pollice and Ida Maxim.

The Carnival will take place Friday, May 3, at the Alto Elementary School on Bancroft Avenue in Alto.

This event takes many weeks of advanced planning. Rounding up mothers to be in charge of the various game rooms, kitchen and many other activities. Planning when, where and what is to take place. All of this advance work, the help of all the parents the night of the carnival, and all those who attend, help to make this annual event the enormous success it is every year.

Other mothers serving as heads of the various activities are:

Advertising—Sally Johnson.  
Donations—Doris Pollice.  
Country Store—Helen Vezino.  
Baked Goods—Doris Feasil.  
Balloons—Gladys Benedict.  
Game Room No. 1—Marc Alderink.  
Game Room No. 2—Marc Alderink.  
Cake Walk—Carol Horton.

Make-up & First Aid—Donna Duimstra.  
White Elephant—Alice Merriman.  
Games (3rd grade & Under) LeVann Nickless.  
Pet Room—Sharon Durkee.  
Spook House—Norma Petersen.  
Kitchen—Kay Nickolaas.  
Cotton Candy—Mary Ellen Bosma.  
Snow Cones—Sandy Kowalczyk.  
Pop Corn—Sharon Nelson.  
Pop—Judy Huver.  
Tickets—J. King.  
Engraving—Connie Vaughn.  
Dunker—Harold Metternick, Jr.

The kitchen will open at 5 p.m. with such good things to eat as barbecues, hot dogs, potato salad, baked beans and homemade pie.

Game rooms will be open from 6 p.m. with games for kids of all ages with many interesting, novel and delicious items on sale and door prizes to be given away.

One of last year's main attractions was the "dunker," especially when principal Roger Buck consented to sit inside the cage.

The Alto Mother's Club is looking forward to this year's Carnival with anticipation and fun for all.



PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING KEY TO ALCOHOLISM

There are nearly 500,000 alcoholics in Michigan, according to figures from the National Council on Alcoholism...

'One For The Book'

'One for the Book' is planned for Thursday, April 18, in the Zonta Room of the Grand Rapids Public Library...

The Women's National Book Association, Grand Rapids Chapter, is sponsoring a day-long workshop on how to give book-related programs.

The WNBA feels there is a great need in the community for persons who can give book talks, book reviews, book readings, etc., for church, club and guild groups.

The morning will be filled with expert advice on "How Do You Choose a Book?" for a program and "How To Prepare a Presentation" for such a talk.

At lunch time (participants are to bring their own bag lunch; WNBA will provide coffee and cookies) an example of one type of book-related program will be given.

After lunch, beginning at 1:15 p.m., participants will be divided into mini-lab groups, where they can use what they learned in the morning.

On hand, all day long, will be many books from local libraries and bookstores to help in selection for programs.

There is no charge for this day-long session, but reservations are required. Call Mrs. Hugh VanderVeen, Lowell, at 897-9595 after 6 p.m. on week days and after noon weekends by April 15.

Calendar for April 1974 showing days of the week and dates.

Coming Events

Spring Meeting Set For Federation Of County Women's Club

The Kent County Federation of Women's Clubs will hold its Spring 1974 meeting on Wednesday, April 24 at the Chapel Hill United Methodist Church in Kent City...

Registration will be at 9:30 a.m., followed by a brief coffee hour. Presidents' reports will be given at the morning meeting.

Following the luncheon at the church, there will be election of officers.

Rev. J. T. Moore of the Central Christian Church in Grand Rapids will be the afternoon speaker.

A program of special music by the Kent City School, under the direction of Mr. Donald Jarchow, will be presented.

Mrs. Norman Weston of 104 East Muskegon Street, Kent City, phone 678-7483 is in charge of reservations which are due on Friday, April 19.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet Thursday, April 11, at 1:30 p.m. in the club rooms.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

Attention: All members of Cyclamen Chapter No. 94 OES Friday, April 12, 8 p.m., special election and installation of officers. Please try to be present. Fun and games after refreshments. c51-52

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

Ada Community Reformed Church RCYF will have an all-day car wash at the Union Bank Parking lot, Ada, Saturday, April 13. Free will contributions. c52-1

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

The Island City Rebekah Lodge No. 282, will meet Tuesday, April 16, at the IOOF Hall at 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

Attention Bridge Players - Starting April 17, at 1 p.m., we will be playing at Lowell Senior Center, 214 E. Main Street. All welcome.

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

The next meeting of Lowell's Senior Citizens, The Golden Swingers, will be Thursday noon, April 18. Potluck dinner. All welcome.

School Board Agenda For April 15 Meeting

The Board of Education of Lowell Area Schools will meet April 15 at 7:30 p.m. at the new Middle School Cafeteria.

The agenda for the meeting, which is open to the public, will include:

- 1. Citizen's study Committee for school needs to be named,
2. Elementary school plans to be reviewed,
3. Showboat Committee report,
4. Proposal to establish Hockey as a high school sport,
5. June 10th election,
6. Tractor Bids,
7. Name change for the Intermediate Building.

Public School Law Course In Ionia

The law as it related to education will be studied in a college-level course in educational administration to be held in Ionia beginning Friday, April 12.

The course, offered by Central Michigan University, is listed as Educational Administration 566, "Public School Law," and earns three semester hours graduate credit.

The first class meeting will follow the registration period. Classes will meet Fridays from 7 to 10 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each week through May 4.

Colonial Carpets advertisement with contact info: RANDY HENDRICK - 868-5484, BOB KOSTER - 245-9833, ANDY DOEZEMA - 897-9453. 106 E. Main - Lowell.

NEW WALLPAPERS advertisement: PERK UP YOUR HOME FOR SPRING WITH NEW WALLPAPERS. SEE MY COMPLETE LINE OF WALLPAPER AND PAINT BOOKS. ILA'S DECORATING SERVICE. CALL 676-4656.

SCHOOL Lunch Menu advertisement: LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS Week of April 15, 1974. MONDAY: Chicken & Gravy on Mashed Potatoes, Green & Wax Beans, Rolls or Biscuits, Cranberry Jelly, Strawberry Jello with Whip, Milk.

Lions 'Care' Program Will Aid Victims

"Because of the extreme suffering in Asia, Africa and Latin America, resulting from drought and flood, the Lions Clubs of Michigan have set a goal of \$10,000 for the 1974 program through CARE to bring aid to those in need."

Last year Michigan Lions contributed a record high of over \$8,000 for the building of two nutrition centers in Columbia.

"We are deeply concerned at the comparative unawareness of the fact that the most devastating floods in Pakistan history last year, left millions homeless and destitute. Also, the worst natural disaster, certainly of this century, has created famine conditions for 24 million people in sub-Saharan Africa."

In response to the suggestions that some Lions might feel funds had better be used to help the disadvantaged in the U.S., Dr. Heyt pointed out that Lionism is an international organization of long standing. He added: "I think we must wake up to the fact that the U.S. is no longer self-sufficient in natural resources. By 1985 we will be importing more than half of all basic raw materials. The demand in other developed countries is also expanding rapidly. Enormous supplies of raw materials are untapped in less developed countries. The interdependency of peoples and nations is today an inescapable fact of life. Supporting programs through CARE is a concrete recognition of that fact!"

AROUND the AREA

Carol (Clemenz) Narrin, a graduate from Lowell High School, was among the students recognized at Ann Arbor's University of Michigan 51st Annual Honors Convocation March 29, (Flint Extension).

Martha and Nancy Coons, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. David Coons of Lowell were among the 5,000 University of Michigan students recognized at the University's 51st annual Honors Convocation in March.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Gardner will observe their wedding anniversary on April 11.

Robert M. DenBoer, who maintains a Mutual of New York office at 1125 West Main, Lowell, has qualified for 1974 membership in the Life Insurance Leaders of Michigan, a state-wide organization affiliated with the Michigan State Association of Life Underwriters.

He is a five-year member, representing Mutual of New York.

Following a recent leave home with his family and friends, William (Greg) Yurkinas is now at the Naval Fleet Training Center in Norfolk, Virginia.

His new address is: RMSA William G. Yurkinas, 367-64-6462, Class 7410B, TTM School, Fleet Training Center, Norfolk, Virginia 23511.

Robert Irwin, 75, of Grand Rapids, father of Donald Irwin of Lowell, passed away unexpectedly April 5, at his home.

Celestine H. Junglas, 66, of Dorr, brother of Mrs. Wayne (Matilda) Schroder of Lowell, passed away April 6. Funeral Mass was said Tuesday morning in New Salem.

Crista M. Yeiter graduated March 31 from the School of Nursing at Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo.

Joan Anderson is a patient at Butterworth Hospital. Also in the hospital is Mrs. Ruth Dafeo, mother of Jaci Christiansen, Blodgett; Mrs. Ida Yeiter, Kent Community.

Lowell resident Orval Jessup has been released from Butterworth, and is recuperating at his home from recent surgery.

High Slater remains a patient at the English Hills Nursing Home. He appreciates visitors.

J.R.B. AGENCY, INC. advertisement: This Year - Any Year INSURANCE Your Best Investment. When You Think INSURANCE Think J.R.B. AGENCY, INC. 835 W. Main - Lowell - 897-9253

Former Cascade Township supervisor, Gerrit Baker, who suffered a stroke recently, is recovering at the Kent Community Hospital.

Mrs. Edna Osmer has been transferred to the Kent Community Hospital for therapy following a recent stroke.

Wed Friday evening in the Cascade Christian Church Chapel were Noreen Jost and Jerry Ophoff.

At the Alto Library - Beginning Tuesday, April 30, for six weeks - A story hour for 4-year-olds from 11-11:45 a.m.

Guests at the April 3 meeting of the Lowell Rotary Club included visiting Rotarians Al Deal of the Lee Rotary Club, Cher Hall and Dick Shively of the Grand Rapids Club, and Dr. and Mrs. John Trumble. Dr. Trumble is a former member of the Lowell Rotary Club.

Other guests included Jim McCobb and George Kilmaster. Members and guests enjoyed a delicious meal featuring roast beef.

President Arnold Wittenbach complimented the club on its good attendance for the month of March. Charlie Doyle announced that the Rotary exchange visitors from Denmark will be in Lowell May 1. While in Lowell, these visitors plan to visit the Lowell Area School system and several area business places.

Newly elected Rotary Officers are: President, Arnold Wittenbach; First Vice-President, John Jones; Second Vice-President, Dennis McMahon; Treasurer, C.A. Bradshaw; Secretary, Rommie Moore; Sergeant-at-arms, Richard Cox; and Directors, Dean Bailey, Ken Anderson, Don Rocheleau and Charlie Doyle (ex-officio).

"A Family Trip Through the Northwest" was the theme of David Coons' travel slides. Showing beautiful colored slides taken on a family vacation trip through the northwestern United States and Canada, Mr. Coons provided the day's program.

In the summer of 1968 Mr. Coons, his wife Betty, and daughters, Laura, Martha and Nancy traveled some 6,000 miles on a trip that included Glacier National Park in Montana and Watertown, Banff and Jasper Parks in Alberta, Canada.

The Coons family camped and hiked extensively during this trip which included a scary adventure with a bear. Awakened one morning by the screams of one of her daughters, Mrs. Coons confronted and chased away a menacing black bear.

Services for Henry B. Thompson, 82, of rural Alto, Bowne Township, who died March 30, at St. Lawrence Hospital in Lansing, were held April 1 at the Leonard-Osgood Funeral Home in Hastings.

The Rev. Harold Price officiated and burial was in Bowne Township Cemetery.

Mr. Thompson was born in Bowne Township October 17, 1891, the son of Frank and Ada (Thomas) Thompson. He attended the Lowe School and married Clara L. Moore September 29, 1915. They were Bowne Township farmers all their married life. She died on March 10, 1971.

He is survived by three sons, Frank of Freeport, Gerald and Willis, both of Grand Ledge; 16 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren.

Linda Carew To Wed



Engaged and planning to be married are Linda R. Carew and Lee W. Rigney. Miss Carew is the daughter of Mrs. Donald Carew and the late Mr. Carew of 5504 Ada Drive S.E.

Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Rigney, 60th Street S.W.

Miss Carew is a graduate of Davenport College of Business, Mr. Rigney served for four years in the United States Coast Guard.

The couple are planning a September wedding.

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The Rev. Bruce Meads officiated at the services, with committal following in Fairview Cemetery.

Mr. Secord of 7491 East Leonard Road, Ada, passed away April 3 at his home. He was 71 years old.

He leaves his wife, Nina; one daughter, Mrs. Richard (Deta) Klinge; two sons, Wayne of Enola, Pennsylvania, and Richard of Ada; 10 grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Vida Shaffer of Rockford; two brothers, Ivan of South Lyon, and Jack of Grand Rapids.

Ada Historical Group To Organize April 17

Wednesday, April 17, at 7:30 p.m. the Ada Historical Society will hold an organizational meeting at the Ada Township Hall.

B. G. Brown, chairman of the West Michigan Historic Foundation, has been invited to address the meeting and to advise the Ada Historical Society of the aims and purposes of the West Michigan Historic Foundation.

Mr. Brown is the chairman of the Foundation which was organized recently under the sponsorship of the West Michigan Tourist Association, and is designed as a separate non-profit entity for the purpose of preserving and marking historic sites in the area.

The Foundation is interested in assisting area societies in research, preserving old structures, identification of places of historic significance, marking both sites of prominent figures and the location of historic events.

This organization meeting is open to all residents of the Ada area who are interested in preserving the past.

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Lippert's Low Price advertisement: Old Barn Gift Shop, Russell Stover Candies, Fashion Fabrics, Easter Candy, Potted Plants for Easter, Walgreen Agency. 413 East Main Street Lowell.

ADA HEATING & PLUMBING advertisement: does anybody care? Now you can say Good By To... HARD WATER, Bad Plumbing Systems, Water Spots on Plumbing Fixtures, Ring Around the Tub and Sinks, Clothes that become Gray & Dull from Laundering, Skin that feels Rough & Dry, And Many others. 676-9106. After Hours 361-2803. 7195 Thornapple River Dr. Ada, Michigan 49301.

ALTO FIREMEN'S ANNUAL OX ROAST advertisement: COME ONE, COME ALL! Saturday, April 20 Alto Elementary School Serving 5 to 8 p. m. Free Will Donation To Buy Fire Equipment.

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Queen Casuals advertisement: Spring-Fresh for Easter QUEEN CASUALS for girls who know the name of the game. Blazer Jacket \$22.00, Shirt Jacket \$19.00, Polyester Pants \$11.00. Easter Joy. 219-221 WEST MAIN STREET LOWELL-897-7577.



**NOISE IS HEALTH THREAT**  
Urbanites subjected to seemingly endless crescendo of jack hammers, pneumatic drills, subways, sirens, airplanes and automobile traffic face a noise pollution health threat as serious and far reaching as air and water pollution. Government estimates conclude 40 million people already are exposed to noise levels potentially damaging to their hearing ability and another 14 1/2 million have hearing loss problems serious enough to warrant medical attention or hearing amplification.

**For Easter**  
LARGE SELECTION OF  
**Men's & Boy's SHIRTS and SLACKS**  
**SHOES for the entire family**  
**Wepman's Clothing & Shoes**  
103 E. Main St., Lowell, Mich.

**Artists Move Outdoors**



It's time for art students to move outdoors! Marian Carlson, left, and Treva Johnson get set for the Y.M.C.A. Spring Art & Drawing class for beginner, intermediate and advanced students, to be held Tuesdays from 1 to 3 p.m., beginning April 16 at the Y.M.C.A. Office.

**Bureau To Survey Fires In The Home**

How prevalent are fires in the home and what is their cost financially and in injuries to household members? Robert G. McWilliam, Director of the Bureau of the Census Data Collection Center in Detroit, said today that a survey in this area will help to answer these questions. Information on the incidence of fires in the home and their cost will be collected here the week of April 15-19 from a sample of households. The households in this area taking part in the survey are among 50,000 across the Nation scientifically selected to represent a cross section of all households. All information provided the Census Bureau is confidential by law and can be published only as statistical totals.

**JANE'S JABBER**

**Collecting Experiences**

I read an article recently concerning the effect of inflation on certain collectible items that are often in demand as a hedge against inflation. A comparison between certain valuable commodities and the variables inherent, affecting their future worth. In summation, what the article really said was that there really is no absolute way to beat the ravages of the eroding dollar—unless one is some kind of a financial wizard. And so, since there seems to be little hope in making my dollar grow to any great degree in the foreseeable future, I have decided to collect experiences. Experiences—pleasant ones anyway, become increasingly more valuable with age. They may be stored in our memory banks and recalled at will. The memories of past experiences often take on the patina of cherished silver and become more dear with the passing years.

Ralph Waldo Emerson wrote "Do not be too timid or afraid to experiment. What if you do stumble once or twice and get fairly rolled in the dust—and your coat soiled or torn. Up again, and you shall never be so afraid."

I recalled these words when I was recently asked to talk to the Lowell Middle School eighth graders. They were in the middle of a project on "newspapers." I was told, and wished me to provide a bit of information related to the publishing of a weekly newspaper.

It was not without some trepidation that I acquiesced—remembering the great advances in the educational process since I last was a part of a classroom, other than as a parental observer.

So, armed with a smattering of knowledge and with Emerson's words to bolster my commitment, I entered the cheerful bustling atmosphere of the eighth grade quad. One hundred or so curiously eager faces confronted me and suddenly I was thrust into my "new experiment."

I tried to tell them what I knew that might in some small way be of benefit. They were quiet and attentive—even asking questions after I concluded.

It was not an experience I would care to encounter every day—but on this one-time-only basis it proved an enjoyable experience for me and one that I shall put away in my bank of memories—and its value—for me—will grow with age.

**Cascade Historical Society To Hold First Meeting**



The first meeting of the Cascade Historical Society will be Thursday, April 18, in the Cascade Township Hall, 2500 Orange Street, S.E., at 7:30 p.m.

The society, sponsored by the Friends of the Cascade Library and the township board, is open to all residents interested in preserving and studying local history.

**Youth To Lead Sunrise Service**

The 7 a.m. Easter Sunday Sunrise Service of the First United Methodist Church of Lowell will be directed and conducted by the Seniors Highs of the congregation.

The Youth Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Richard Briggs, will sing. The Senior High Fellowship, with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Silvis and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Brendal assisting as counselors, will lead the worship.

Following the service, which is open to all in the community, an Easter Breakfast will be served by the Junior High Fellowship under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Zandstra, counselors. Reservations are needed to attend the breakfast.

**WCMHS To Elect Officers April 30**

The annual meeting of the West Central Michigan Historical Society will be held Tuesday, April 30, at 8 p.m. in the Runciman Elementary Auditorium, Lowell.

This is the election of officers' meeting of the membership, also any other business of the society. Bicentennial plans for the 1976 observance will be discussed, and progress reports of society projects. A report on the success of the Fallburg Fall Festival and plans for the 1974 Festival.

The meeting will conclude with a program presented by Jim Gelsso of Caledonia, collector of antique musical instruments, music boxes, phonographs, etc. Mr. Gelsso began the collection in 1947 when he acquired a Swiss music box. He will have slides to show many items in the collection, recordings of their music with information concerning their history, etc.

The public is cordially invited to attend. Coffee and cookies will be served.

Dr. R. C. Kysar will accept dues any time so members may participate in the voting.

**Alto Garden Club To Hear Speakers**

Three different topics will be heard at the April 17 meeting of the Alto Garden Club, in the Alto United Methodist Church at two o'clock.

After the meeting has been called to order, the reports on old and new business have been discussed, the meeting will be turned over to the day's speakers.

The tiny flowers that add beauty to the roadsides and wooded areas in mid-Spring, the "Wild Violets," will be the theme of the first speaker, Margaret Pall.

The success or failure of "Indoor Gardening" will be brought into discussion by Eldora Graham, who will complete her phase of the program with a demonstration.

The significance of "Arbor Day," observed nationwide, will be the subject presented by Myrtle Johnson. All members of the club are urged to attend the April 17 meeting, and hear these interesting speakers.

**ORDER NOW for Easter**



**Birchwood Gardens**  
Floral & Gift Shop  
730 Godfrey St., Lowell 897-7737

**COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE IN LOWELL**  
Friday, April 12, 1:30 p. m.  
**First Congregational Church**  
404 North Hudson Street  
SPEAKER Reverend Warren E. Holcomb Church of the Nazarene  
SPECIAL MUSIC Eighth Grade Choir Lowell Middle School Mrs. Davis, Director  
A NURSERY FOR PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN WILL BE PROVIDED.  
SPONSORED BY THE LOWELL MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

**YOU'RE INVITED TO ATTEND**  
**Easter Sunday SERVICES**  
AT THE  
**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LOWELL**  
621 EAST MAIN STREET  
7:30 A.M. — SUNRISE SERVICE, featuring the Youth Choir; Worship led by the Senior High Fellowship.  
IDENTICAL WORSHIP SERVICES — at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
"THE FREEDOM EASTER BRINGS"  
REVEREND DEAN I. BAILEY  
MUSIC — Adult Choir, Mrs. Keith Graham, director; David F. Coons, organist.  
A Nursery for infants and toddlers is available during the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services.

**EASTER**  
Joy and Gladness, Faith and Love  
This is a day for rejoicing... a time to raise our voices together in songs of praise and thanksgiving. It's also a day for hoping... that the Easter message of rebirth and renewal inspire our daily lives.  
Closed Good Friday 1 to 3 p. m.  
**Wayland State Bank**  
Alto Branch

**Maunder Thursday Candlelight Service**

A Mauder Thursday Candlelight Communion Service will be observed at the First Congregational Church of Lowell, April 11, at 7:30 p.m.

This is a meaningful service that commemorates the institution of the Lord's Supper. The choir will be singing. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

The Senior High Youth group of the church will sponsor a Sunrise Service on Easter morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Sinko, 1141 1/2 Bailey Drive.

Anyone wishing to attend may meet at the church at 6:30 a.m. or go directly to the Sinko home. Breakfast will be served at about 7:30 a.m. at the church and anyone who would like to join the youth for this segment of the service is also welcome.

Breakfast reservations should be made before Good Friday with Beth Grim at 897-8806.

There will be one service on Easter Sunday at the church at the regular hour of worship, 10:30 a.m. Special music will be rendered by the choir. There will be no coffee hour on this day.

**Snow Youth To Conduct Easter Sunrise Service**

The Senior United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMFY) of the Snow United Methodist Church will present a Sunrise Service at seven o'clock on Easter Sunday morning. They will be using "pop" records as statements of faith in the service.

The one-hour long service will be followed by a breakfast at the Snow Center at 8 a.m.

The regular Easter Sunday service of worship at the Snow Church will be offered at 10 a.m.

**OPEN LETTER from DAVID GERST**

Dear Friends,  
Some people, wishing to have a certain type of service conducted by the funeral director of their choosing, arrange their own funerals in advance of need. This can save the survivors considerable time and worry when death occurs. It is most sensible for elderly persons having no close relatives or those desiring an unusual type of funeral service.

Respectfully,  
David Gerst

**ROTH-GERST FUNERAL HOME**  
LOWELL, MICHIGAN



First row, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kosten and Carrie Weemhoff. Second row, Marva Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Don Phillips and Mrs. Robert Elzinga. Photo by Norton L. Avery.

**New Members**

Fourteen persons united in full membership with the First United Methodist Church of Lowell Sunday, March 31, during the 11 a.m. worship.

The Susanna Wesley Circle of the United Methodist Women hosted a coffee-punch time following the service in the Fellowship Hall. Assisting at the reception were Mrs. Thomas Cavell, Mrs. Roger Willis, Mrs. Allen Mulder, and Mrs. Donald Silvis.

New members welcomed by the congregation were Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Koster, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Booth, Miss Carrie Weemhoff, Miss Debra McCambridge, Mrs. Marva Anderson, Mrs. Robert J. Elzinga, Steven Ridgway, Mrs. Janet Maris, Mr. and Mrs. Ival Paulsen.

**Alto & Bowne Center United Methodist Churches**

Dr. John Eversole, Pastor  
**EASTER SERVICES**  
7:30 a.m. Sunrise Service, at Bowne Center. Sponsored by the youth of both Churches.  
8:00 a.m. Sunrise Breakfast, at the Bowne Center Hall. Served by the Young Adults of the Bowne Center Church.  
9:45 a.m. Alto Easter Service. Cantata: "The First Day of the Week."  
Sermon: "The Presence of the Living Christ"

10:45 a.m. Alto Church School. Program by Children.  
9:45 a.m. Bowne Center Church School.  
11:00 a.m. Bowne Center Easter Service. Special Easter Music. Sermon: "The Presence of the Living Christ."

All are cordially invited to attend Easter Services at the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints on Sunday, April 14. "The Cross a Way of Life" will be the theme for the 11 a.m. worship with Elder Bob Loesch speaking.

The 6 p.m. service will follow the theme: "The Resurrection, a Way of Life" with Priest Lloyd DeVormer as speaker.

Wednesday evening Priest Robert Onan will bring the lesson entitled "Jesus Alive and Known Today." This is a service of Prayer and Testimony. Each has the opportunity to share his experiences with our Creator.



First row, Debra McCambridge and Steven Ridgway. Second row, Mrs. Janet Maris, Mr. and Mrs. Ival Paulsen, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Booth. Photo by Norton L. Avery.

**Annual Soup Kettle Supper**

The annual Soup Kettle (Sacrificial) Supper at the Cascade Christian Church will be held Thursday, April 11, at 6:15 p.m. in the dining hall.

This is for the entire family, with a special offering for the Week of Compassion. The fifth grade Sunday School classes from the 10:30 session will present a play entitled "The Last Supper."

At 7:30 that evening, the traditional Mauder Thursday Communion service will be held in the chapel. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed, with the Rev. Simon Nagel, pastor of the Forest Hills Reformed Church bringing the meditation.

On Good Friday, April 12, a service of worship will be held in the Chapel at 1:30 p.m. with Ron Edwards bringing the meditation.

The schedule of Easter Sunday services at Cascade Christian will include: Sunrise Service in the chapel at 6:30 a.m. with the youth groups in charge. John Thorrington, Jr., will be the speaker and special music will be provided. An Easter breakfast will be served in the dining hall for the youth at 7:30 by the men of the Friday morning prayer fellowship.

At 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Easter Worship Services will be held in the sanctuary. Rev. Raymond Gaylord's sermon will be "So What's Old? The Resurrection!" Special anthems by the Children's, Cherub, Interpretive and Youth-Adult Choirs. Sunday school sessions as usual at 9 and 10:30. No afternoon or evening youth programs.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE**

The First United Methodist Church of Lowell will hold their traditional service of Holy Communion on Maundy Thursday, April 11, at 8 p.m.

Special music will be provided by the Adult Choir with Mrs. Keith Graham directing and David F. Coons at the organ.

The Reverend Dean Bailey will speak on "What Jesus Does With Common Things" and the public is cordially invited to this special service.

**Come to Church for Easter Services**

<b>ADA CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH</b> 676-1698 Morning Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.	<b>CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> 1151 W. MAIN STREET 897-8841 REV. BERNARD FYNAAERT Worship Services 10:00 a. m. & 6:00 p. m. Sunday School 11:15 a. m. SUPERVISED NURSERY DURING ALL SERVICES WELCOME FRIEND!	<b>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> (Member United Church of Christ) NORTH HUDSON AT SPRING STREET, LOWELL Morning Worship 10:30 a. m. Church School 10:30 a. m. (CRIBBERY AND NURSERY PROVIDED)	<b>SNOW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> 3189 SNOW AVENUE between 28th and 36th Streets, East STEVE BEACH—PASTOR—897-8008 Morning Worship 10:00 a. m. Sunday School (All Ages) 11:00 a. m. Youth Group 3:00 p. m. "THINK SNOW"
<b>ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH</b> 7227 THORNAPPLE RIVER DRIVE — 676-1032 REV. WILFRED FIET Morning Worship 10:00 a. m. Sunday School 11:20 a. m. Evening Worship 6:00 p. m. WE INVITE YOU TO MAKE THIS COMMUNITY CHURCH YOUR CHURCH HOME WELCOME TO ALL!	<b>EASTMONT BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 5038 CASCADE ROAD, S. E. REV. ROBERT MCCARTHY Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Morning Worship 11:00 a. m. Evening Worship 7:00 p. m. Wednesday Prayer Service 7:15 p. m.	<b>FOREST HILLS COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH</b> CORNER ADA DRIVE AND FOREST HILLS AVENUE Parsonage: 4637 Ada Drive — 949-1372 REV. SIMON NAGEL "THE CHURCH WHERE THERE ARE NO STRANGERS" WELCOMES YOU Sunday, School 10:00 a. m. & 6:00 p. m. 11:15 a. m.	<b>ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 5125 CASCADE ROAD, S. E. "Where Worship Is a Family Affair" REV. JAMES E. PENNING Phone - 942-9091 NURSERY PROVIDED
<b>ALTO — BOWNE CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES</b> 11363 — 60TH STREET — ALTO — 868-3131 DR. JOHN EVERSOLE, MINISTER ALTO — Corner Kirby and Harrison Morning Worship 9:45 a. m. Church School 11:00 a. m. BOWNE CENTER — 84th Street & M-50 Morning Worship 11:00 a. m. Church School 9:45 a. m.	<b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH — ALTO</b> CORNER OF 60TH STREET & BANCROFT AVENUE Sunday School 10:00 a. m. Worship 11 a. m. & 7:30 p. m. Wednesday Prayer Fellowship 7:30 p. m. Telephone — 868-3011	<b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LOWELL</b> 621 EAST MAIN STREET 897-7514 "What Kind of King?" Matthew 21:1-11 Sunrise Service 7:00 a. m. (Led by the Senior High Youth) Worship 8:00 a. m. & 11:00 a. m. "The Freedom Easter Brings" Special Music by the Adult Choir NURSERY DURING BOTH SERVICES & CHURCH SCHOOL DEAN I. BAILEY, MINISTER	<b>TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCA)</b> 2700 EAST FULTON ROAD Maundy Thursday Service 7:30 p. m. Good Friday Service 7:30 p. m. Worship Service 8:30 a. m. & 10:45 a. m. Sunday Church School 9:30 a. m. NURSERY PROVIDED LENTEN SERVICE WEDNESDAY, 7:30 P.M. PASTORS RAYMOND A. HEINE, JOHN D. BLAKEMORE
<b>BETHANY BIBLE CHURCH</b> 3900 EAST FULTON Morning Worship (Broadcast 10 a. m. WMAX 1480) 9:50 a. m. Sunday School 11:15 a. m. Evening Service 6:00 p. m. Wednesday Service 7:30 p. m. REV. RAYMOND E. BEFUS	<b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH — LOWELL</b> 2275 WEST MAIN STREET Sunday School 10:00 a. m. Morning Worship 11:00 a. m. Evening Services 7:00 p. m. Word of Life 8:15 p. m. Wednesday Training Hour 7:30 p. m. REV. EARL DECKER — 897-8835	<b>CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE — LOWELL</b> 201 NORTH WASHINGTON STREET REV. W. E. HOLCOMB Church School 10:00 a. m. Morning Worship 11:00 a. m. Jrs., Teens, Adults 6:45 p. m. Evening Service 7:30 p. m. Mid-Week Service (Wednesday) 7:30 p. m. NURSERY PROVIDED — COME & WORSHIP WITH US	<b>VERGENNES UNITED METHODIST</b> CORNER OF PARNELL AVE. & BAILEY DR. THE REV. PHILIP CARPENTER Worship Service 10:00 a. m. Coffee Hour 11:00 a. m. Church School 11:15 a. m. "THE LITTLE WHITE CHURCH ON THE CORNER"



### Saranac Cubs Conduct Derby

Twenty Saranac Cub Scouts took part in a Pine-wood derby auto race last Monday evening in the Saranac High School cafeteria. The top three winners were Russell Chase, third place, Chris Bellini, first place, and Allen Daggett, second place.

The boys were given a piece of pine and four wheels about four weeks ago to have a race with help from their fathers. Races are held according to weights of cars. Finalist competed against each other with the aid of gravity.

### Girl Scouts, Brownies Visit Morris Sugarbush

Girl Scouts and Brownies of the Saranac area of the Michigan Trail Girl Scouts Council recently visited the Frederick Morris sugarbush on M-50, near Lake Odessa. While showing the girls around Morris said he started his operation earlier this year than ever, on January 26. The Morris sugarbush is one of four state inspected sugar bushes in Ionia County.

This far Morris has collected 15,000 gallons of sap, which looks just like drinking water when first taken from the tree, resulting in 300 gallons of syrup. He said the average is 50 gallons of sap for one gallon of syrup.

Maple sap is collected from each tree by inserting a tap which looks very much like a piece of hollow pipe. The open end of the tap is placed in a large, completely closed plastic bag which collects the sap as it runs from the tree. These bags are used for only one year. Bags are later emptied into a large barrel and returned to the tree while the sap is taken to the evaporating house.

The sap is then poured into a very large tank heated by a wood fired heater. Cooking time averages about four gallons per hour. As the sap is turned into syrup it is drained and placed into several various size containers for public sale.



Some motorists who were used to zipping along at 60-70 miles per hour have found themselves gradually slowing down to the recent 55-mile-an-hour limit, mandated by the Federal Government as a measure to conserve gasoline. The entire 9,250-mile Michigan Highway system has been posted for the maximum speed, at an estimated cost of \$80,000.

#### MICHAEL RUID COMPLETES ARMY'S BASIC TRAINING

Army Private Michael A. Ruid, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Ruid, 7314 Peck Lake Road, Saranac, completed eight weeks of basic training at the U.S. Army Training Center, Armor, Ft. Knox, Kentucky. Ruid received instruction in Drill and Ceremonies, Weapons, Map Reading, Combat Tactics, Military Courtesy, Military Justice, First Aid, Army History and Traditions.

### Come to CHURCH

#### Galilee Baptist Church

Of Saranac  
Across from High School—Corner of Orchard and Pleasant Streets  
James R. Frank, Pastor

Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer	7:30 p.m.
Awana (Youth 8-13) Thursdays during School term	6:30 p.m.

#### Saranac Community Church

United Church of Christ  
125 Bridge Street - Saranac  
Edwin G. Mendenhall, Pastor

Morning Worship	10:00 a.m.
Church School	11:15 a.m.
Adult Discussion Group	11:15 a.m.
Christian Youth Fellowship Sunday Evenings	

Parsonage 642-9565 Church Office 642-6322

#### St. Anthony's Church

David Highway - Saranac  
Rev. Harold Feltman - 642-2551

#### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday . . . 5:15 p.m.	Saturday . . . 7:30 p.m.
Sunday . . . 7:30 a.m.	

### Welcome To SARANAC

Area Correspondent—Mrs. Ralph Wheaton. Call Saranac 642-6136.

Gary Cahoon and children, Amy and Brian, Grand Rapids, were Sunday afternoon guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cahoon.

Sable Kent and Mr. and Mrs. Emery Bowen, Johnson Road were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harding, Kalamazoo.

Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Rickert (Keene twp.) were Mr. and Mrs. Don Weeks, Alto, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cahoon, Clarksville, and Jessie Cahoon, Saranac.

Teens ask nowadays: Can I use the GAS instead of the car. Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Steinke were Mr. and Mrs. Phil Dawson, Ionia, Mr. and Mrs. George Goltz, Big Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Steinke, Middleton and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dawson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Weeks visited Mrs. Carl Wittenbach of Lowell at Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids, Tuesday. Recent callers of Bob Weeks were Mr. and Mrs. Mike Weeks of Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Dillenbeck of Grand Rapids spent Sunday afternoon with Hazel Tower. Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Max Tuller Saturday overnight were Mr. and Mrs. James Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith, both from Reed City.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tower took Mr. and Mrs. Erving Smith to Mr. Steak Restaurant in Grand Rapids Sunday to celebrate their 29th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Smith will entertain for dinner, Monday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Hubbard for Brenda's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Abshire and family spent the weekend at Three Rivers visiting relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Benjamin and two sons of Ionia were Saturday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Benjamin.

The Galilee Church will have a Vesta program at 4 p.m., Easter Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Seiler were Sunday afternoon guests of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGraw, Carson

City. Mrs. Helen Thompson of Lowell entered the Osteopathic Hospital, Grand Rapids. Raymond G. Bachelor, 26, was booked in the county jail on charges of being drunk and disorderly. Friends of St. Anthony are wished a Happy Easter. Good Friday meets at 12 noon, Holy Saturday Service at 7:30 p.m. Mass Easter Sunday at 7 a.m. DO have a Blessed and Happy Easter season. April Birthdays—Eddie Potter, April 23 and Edna Johnson, April 18, both of Lowell.

I would like to know, if oil and coal are so short, why are not more of our great waterfalls in this United States harnessed to run generators and produce electricity? Then, less air pollution.

Yesterday—Our doctor often visited us—he was never beyond reach—listening to our complaints, worries, fears. Often the pastor called. Hospital aides made calls and ran errands. Even taxi drivers and inn keepers kindly aided our visiting relatives. Everyone speaks to everyone.

Being in the hospital isn't usually much fun but David Emelander, 7, of Saranac got an annual visit from the Easter Bunny because he was a patient at Ionia County Memorial Hospital last week.

I'm happy to report Hazel Tower is at home. Mrs. Goldie Clark and son, Royal, of Vergennes Township, spent Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ward Courter.

The John Adgate's are home from a vacation in Florida. Saranac Senior Citizens will have a potluck supper, April 24, at 6 p.m., at the Mill Creek Meadows, Community room. Bingo and cards as usual. Marriage application: Ronald Faulkner, 20, and Bernice Wirman, 17.

Ionia Hospital: All surgery—Duane Fisher, Susan Ainsworth, Medical; Russel Taylor and Ed Compagner. Discharged: M. Bernard Griffen, Mrs. David Courter and baby, Jason Baker, Mrs. James Robert and baby, Mr. Ralph Longwell and baby, Diane Jason, David Emelander.

Belling: Bobbie and Helet Johnson and Linda Nichols, all surgical. Medical were Candy Ross, Harold Williams and Grace Taylor. Arrested for malicious destruction was Charles Gould, 19. \$300 bond was set.

Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Ward Courter were in Belding to call on Grace Taylor in the hospital, and Mr. and Mrs. Alan Tran and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Mahar. Yvonne Cook and Fern Garrison were Friday evening guests of Ralph and Edith Wheaton. Traffic: James Kimble, 19, paid \$19 for disregarding speed limit; Jerry L. Lillie, 22, \$24 for speeding. Michael C. Guild, 19, no registration plates; Thomas J. Chickering, 30, paid \$15 for disregarding a stop sign. Lester Benjamin slipped and fell Thursday afternoon breaking the small bone above the ankle.

Mrs. Veryl Morrow and daughter, Nancy Helmer, visited Rose Lowrey in Belding Thursday afternoon. Wednesday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Tucker returned from Florida. They were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hillis Tischer. They all were Friday supper guests of Elwyn Brown and family. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Krampe, all of Greenville. They called on Mr. and Mrs. William Loding and James Dean of Greenville.

Gilbert Borup and three children were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Borup. Mrs. Gilbert Borup left Thursday evening till Sunday evening with relatives to visit relatives at Nashville, Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. Art DeVries of Grand Rapids were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cahoon. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Taylor spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest White, Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Hillis Tischer and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Loding of Greenville, had supper Saturday eve at Show Boat Restaurant at Lowell, then spent the evening with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Potter, Route 3, Lowell.

Thursday Helen Decker and Phyllis Kestenhalz of Lansing were in Kalamazoo and attended the Deo piano concert at the Middle Mill Auditorium, and Sunday guests were Mrs. Erving Krebs and daughter, Cheryl of Ionia and Mrs. John Rogers of Lake Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Blough of Clarksville were Sunday afternoon guests of Eliza Johnson.

## BUSINESS DIRECTORY

### THESE SERVICES ARE AS NEAR AS YOUR PHONE . . .

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**EVERY TUESDAY**  
7:30

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**Lowell Moose Club (upstairs)**

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**YOUNG MARINES** - Beneficial Auction, Saturday, May 4, at 10 a.m. in the Mar on building in Marne. Donations (except clothing) needed. Pick-up service available. Lunch available. For information or donations, call Merris Sue, 676-1703, Marne, Mich. c52-4

**RUMMAGE SALE** - April 16, 17 and 18, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. St. Anthony's Catholic Church basement. c1-2

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## Dale Alger New President Of Sno-mobile Club

"It was a good year," finalized Forest Hills Sno-mobile Association treasurer, Bill Henkel, as the submission of the statement of condition closed the club year, and began a new cycle of activities for the ensuing year.

Henkel's report, made at the March annual meeting, showed nine money making events held from April 1, 1973, to March 21, 1974. The biggest profit maker being the snowmobile rally.

Association members, meeting at their hall on Ada Drive, hallooted on new officers, with Dale Alger taking over the presidency for the 1974-75 year. His co-officers will be:

Bob Palma, vice-president; Bill Henkel, treasurer; and Mona Alger, secretary.

Sitting on the new Board of Directors will be: Marian Kowienke, membership; Leroy Smith, trails; Sandy Bregg, promotion and publicity; Ruth Reinersma, social; and Rudy Roth, safety.

**Egg Hunt**

From Toddlers on up, youngsters met at Forest Hills Junior High School Saturday, April 6, to participate in the Association's annual Easter Egg Hunt for the member's children.

Bringing a basketful of goodies was the Easter Bunny, which made the day complete. Prizes were given to the lucky egg finders.

**Trail Clean-Up**

In an effort to show landowners that the Association appreciates the use of their land for trail riding, the members will assemble Saturday, April 20, for their Spring clean-up.

Starting at the clubhouse, the members will be distributed to different areas to clean up any litter, etc., which might have been distributed during the season's rides.

The day will end at the Clubhouse, where refreshments will be served to the workers.

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## Learn Printing Ropes



Den 4 of Pack 3102, Cub Scouts of Lowell, spent the afternoon last Saturday as the guests of Transamerica Title Insurance Company. Lu Vera, Purchasing and Printing Manager, showed the boys the ropes of printing, plate making, etc. Pictured are: Joe Cloud, Chris Wright, Mark Webster, Chris Vera, Jamie Zywich, Bob Karmers and Mrs. Vera.

## Varsity Baseball Team In Spring Training

Twenty-four members of the Lowell High School's Varsity baseball team are spending their Spring vacation in Carbondale, Illinois, on the diamond at the University of Southern Illinois.

Accompanied by several parents, the boys left last Friday and will return home this Friday after a week's spring training. Only intra-squad practice is allowed under State Athletic Association ruling. Robert Perry, Lowell athletic director, stated.

"The boys earn all their own money to finance their trip down and it allows them a week for earlier Spring training as usually the warmer weather is a bit ahead of ours, Perry said.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Steffens, Ivan Blough, Don Phillips, Gary Riven, Fred Rathbun and Charlie Pierce provided transportation.

The boys sleep in tents, one parent took a camper, the Steffens, their travel trailer loaded with food, and, no doubt, since Mrs. Steffens appears to be the only woman in the group, she has probably been "crowned" chief cook and bottle washer and a commendation is due all for their support and taking time out of busy schedules.

**BASEBALL SCHEDULE**

April 13	Ionia, Double-header	There	10 a.m.
April 15	Cedar Springs	There	
April 16	Belding	Home	
April 18	Lakewood	Home	
April 22	F. H. Northern	There	
April 22	F. H. Northern	J.V.	Home
April 23	Greenville	J.V.	Home
April 23	Coopersville	Home	
April 25	Coopersville	Home	
April 26	Sparta	There	
April 29	Comstock Park	There	
April 29	Comstock Park	J.V.	Home
May 2	Cedar Springs	Home	
May 7	Sparta	Home	
May 8	Saranac	J.V. Only	There
May 9	Belding	Home	
May 14	Lakewood	There	
May 16	Greenville	There	
May 16	Greenville	J.V.	Home
May 17	Saranac	Varsity Only	There
May 21	Coopersville	There	
May 24	J.V. Baseball w/Saranac	Home	
May 25	Pre-District	Assigned	
June 1	Districts	Assigned	
June 8	Regionals	Assigned	
June 15	State	Assigned	

All games start at 4 p.m., unless otherwise noted. Home games are played at F...recreation Park. Reserve team plays at same town, different diamond, except Greenville - Home - reverse site.

**MILD 'DEER' WINTER**

Relatively mild weather through February has virtually assured that Michigan's northern deer herd will come through the winter in excellent condition for the second successive year. Even in the Lake Superior watershed deer have been able to range widely to find food.

**Hand Gun Law Has Three Stipulations**

Sportsmen can once again carry their handguns to and from hunting or target shooting without fear of violating Michigan Laws following the signing of S.B. 1186 by Governor William G. Milliken on April 1.

However, there are some new stipulations in the new law they should be aware of, reported Roger Wenk, president of the Michigan United Conservation Clubs.

"Provisions in the new law sponsored by Senator Oscar Bouwsma, (R), Muskegon, now require that persons transporting a handgun have in their possession either a concealed weapons permit, a valid Michigan hunting license or a valid membership in an organization having pistol shooting range facilities," Wenk said.

If any of these three stipulations are met, a handgun may be transported legally in a vehicle if unloaded, wrapped or in a container and in the trunk. In the case of vehicles without trunks, the pistol may be transported in the passenger compartment if unloaded, wrapped or in a container and not accessible to the occupants.

"I believe sportsmen will be happy to comply with the new law," Wenk said. "We want to be allowed to use our handguns for recreational purposes only. If the new law will aid law enforcement officials in doing a better job of curbing illegal handgun use and sales, we're all for it."

The law was given immediate effect by the Legislature. It also exempts antique weapons built prior to 1898 or replicas.

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**NARROW MARGIN**

Selling prices of farm products averaged 35 percent higher in 1973 than in 1972, but farm production expenses zoomed upward by nearly one-third.

## On The Right Track... Lowell To Open Season

Getting into shape for track is a challenge Lowell High School participants face every Spring. Students who have been sitting in classes or watching football and basketball games during previous semesters are in no shape to fling themselves into a strenuous season of track.

According to coach Chuck Bostrum, physical injuries could result unless runners first build up both stamina and flexibility. Although each track event requires specific muscle coordination and development, there is one common requirement. Strong legs are the foundation for every sport.

Bostrum, assisted by Richard Brennan, has spent the last month getting Lowell tracksters into condition for the coming season. After weeks of running, using indoor exercising machines, doing push ups, etc., Lowell's runners and field eventers are in pretty good shape.

Approximately 15 area teams are entered in a relay of track events which will be held this Saturday, April 13, at Lowell's Recreational Park.

Saturday's action, the first of the season for Lowell's tracksters, will start at noon with a full schedule of field events. Running events will start at approximately 1:30 p.m.

**74 Schedule**

Lowell's track team, following Saturday's opener, will swing into a 15-game schedule for the 1974 season, which includes:

April 18	Ionia	There
April 20	Relays (12 noon)	Sparta
April 22	Cedar Springs	Here
April 24	Sparta	There
April 27	Hastings Relay (12 noon)	There
April 29	Belding	There
May 1	Lakewood	Here
May 6	Greenville	Here
May 8	Coopersville	Here
May 11	W. Ottawa Relays (12 noon)	There
May 14	Conference (4 to 7 p.m.)	Coopersville
May 18	Regionals	Assigned
May 20	F. H. Northern	Here
May 28	Spring Lake (6 p.m.)	There

Home tennis matches are played at Recreation Park at 4 p.m.

## Easter Egg Hunt This Saturday

The Flat River Snowmobile Club will hold its annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday afternoon, April 13, at the clubhouse on Burroughs Road. Members are asked to have children and grandchildren there promptly at 1:00 and be prepared to pick them up at 3:00. The clubhouse will also be open Saturday for that evening of family games.

The regular business meeting scheduled for Sunday, April 21, will be held at a different location this month only. As of this writing, your reporter has not learned where, but watch this paper. It will be announced next week.

The MISA Delegates Meeting held in Kalamazoo Friday evening was attended by Don and Polly Souser. There will be a report on this at the next business meeting.

**Among The Donors...**

Barney Barnes was one of the many Lowell area residents who gave blood Friday in the Lowell Area Jaycee's first collection drive in this area.

**INTEREST PICKING UP**

Interest in the campsite reservation system, which will be inaugurated in state parks this year, is reported picking up after a slow start. Many prospective campers are believed to be holding off on making their summer travel plans until the gasoline supply situation becomes clearer.

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April 22	Spring Lake	There
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May 1	Lakewood	Here
May 3	Ionia	There
May 6	Greenville	Here
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**TENNIS SCHEDULE**

April 15	Rockford	There
April 16	Belding	There
April 17	Saranac	There
April 18	Lakewood	Home
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## Librarian's Exchange Day

Librarian Exchange Day is coming during National Library Week, April 21-27.

Librarians of the Kent County Library System, to dramatize the slogan, "A Library is a Way of Sharing," will exchange libraries during this week.

Each library will have a visiting librarian from another KCL member library for one day as a demonstration of the sharing and exchanging in the system which goes on all year.

Hopefully, local communities will plan welcoming ceremonies for the visiting librarian.

"We circulate our books and other materials regularly," said Janet Jahns, assistant director. "National Library Week seems a good time to let our librarians circulate."

Libraries in the KCL system share the more than 300,000 volumes (including some 1300 large-print books), 10,000 records, 825 movies and filmstrips with each other and their patrons. Librarian Exchange Day will spotlight this sharing.

Services shared by the system include printing of bookmarks, pamphlets, posters, publicity, news releases and display materials. Purchasing, cataloging and processing of books and records are done at the headquarters building, 775 Ball, N.E., this cutting costs for the local libraries.

Consultant services for such things as planning new library buildings, selecting library furniture, planning

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Do you see the new proposed Showboat Amphitheater as a start on a natural use of our location near the two rivers for the development of small specialty shops along Lafayette and Riverside Streets? Places where one could buy leathercraft goods, candles, paintings, etc. Small boutiques to attract carloads of visitors from other cities like Square Square in Rockford attracts? Could we have a luncheon room where one could eat indoors or out at tables overlooking the river? Could we re-do a block all under a wharf-house-type look or a pier with all the separate stores on it?

Could we support a motel-restaurant-bar-bowling alley between M-21 and I-96 similar to Middleville? Wouldn't the Showboat talent stay there and the out-of-town visitors to our local factories? Who could afford to do this?

Does the shopping area only have to be on Main Street running east and west? Couldn't it be on some of the side streets north and south?

How about some trees planted in areas along Main Street? Detroit and Greenville did this. Would this improve the area and make it appeal to the shopper that walks from store to store looking for that personal service that only a small store can give?

Let's hear what you think. Write P.O. Box 261, Lowell, Mich. 49331.

## Students Applying For Social Security Numbers

Summer vacation is just around the corner for hundreds of students in Kent County. And according to Raymond C. Backus, Social Security Manager in Grand Rapids, many of these students have one more step to make before they get their first summer job.

"Students should apply now for a social security card if they have never had one before," Mr. Backus said. "Employers are required to report employee earnings using the social security number as well as the name. These earnings are then credited to the worker's account for future retirement, survivor, or disability protection."

Mr. Backus pointed out that it takes three to six weeks for the students to receive their card after they apply. Due to the wide use of the social security number today for such things as school records and bank accounts, the student may not be aware that his parents had received a card for him earlier. All applications are therefore sent to Baltimore, Maryland, where records are checked to make sure no previous number has been issued.

"Due to the time period involved, it is quite important that students apply now," Backus noted. "An employer actually has the right to withhold pay until they have the number on record for reporting purposes."

Those wishing to apply for a social security number should write, call or visit their social security office located in Room 399, Federal Building, 110 Michigan N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49502. The phone number is 452-2241.

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**Easter Money Tree**

Lowell Pre-school children have been busy working on their Easter Money Tree. Mothers will be selling tickets on the tree. Drawing will be held April 16 at the school.

All proceeds will benefit the children. Tickets may be purchased from the mothers or at the school, 205 Lafayette.

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Mr. and Mrs. John J. Stewart of Grand Rapids are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Patricia, to John M. Smoes.

The future bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smoes of Ada.

Miss Stewart and her fiancé are planning a June wedding.

**Lowell Tree Program ATTENTION!**

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Time is growing short, after April 20, any trees that are not purchased, must be planted in the nursery until next fall. Don't pass up the chance to have a new tree on your street this Spring.

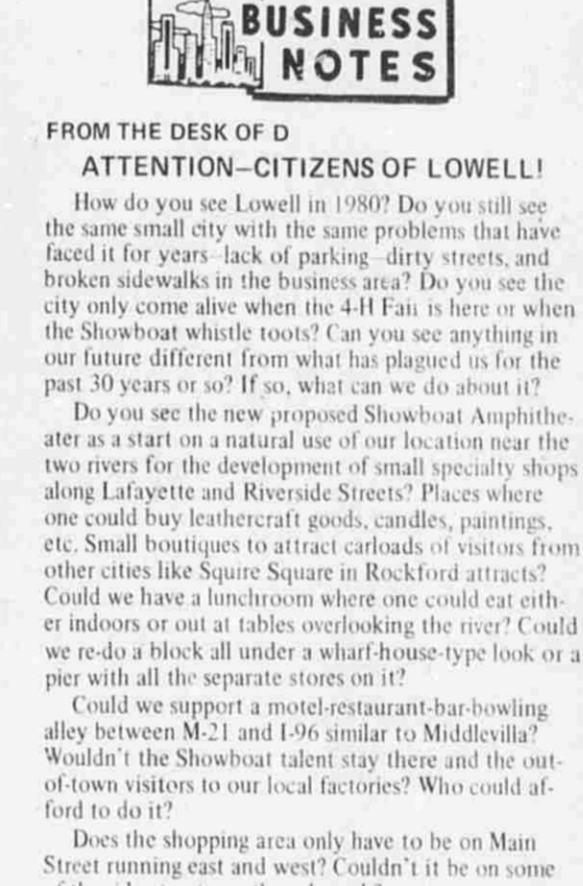
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## OVER 300 ATTEND Y's POT LATCH

Over 300 dads, moms, boys and girls, attired in hand-made Indian style costumes, ascended on Lowell Middle School, Friday, March 29, at 7 p.m.

The occasion for this peaceful Indian gathering was the annual YMCA Indian Guides and Princess' Pot Latch (Indian style potluck dinner).

Bozo, the WZZM-TV clown, portrayed by Dick Richards, was the featured program—along with the Grand Valley



Boy Scout Indian Dancers. For some of the parents, attending this program, this was their first visit to Lowell's new middle school, and they were more than generous in their praise of the new facility. Even "Bozo" commented on the very fine school facilities.

Such praise cannot help but make the people of Lowell proud of their school. Sometimes an occasion such as this is needed to remind us how fortunate we are.

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For those residents able to attend, Mrs. Goble starts the day with a meditation period. Every second Thursday a mass is conducted by Father Tom Niedzwicki of St. Mary's Church.

Following meditations, a visit to the room provided for arts and craft activities reveals fifteen to twenty women (attendance varies) busily engaged in a variety of handiwork. Even for those whose hands may be too stiff for more intricate work, the simple action of rolling yarn into balls is good therapy for fingers suffering the effects of arthritis.

A coffee break allows time for some quiet conversation and a brief respite before the usual game of bingo before noon luncheon.

Mrs. Goble said one of her biggest problems, presently, is in trying to encourage more men to become involved in some type of activity and expressed the hope of interesting men of the community in starting wood-working projects building easily constructed articles.

In fact, Mrs. Goble added, volunteers are needed to aid in many ways—some involving time—or by donating such items as scraps of material, old nylons, old sheets, pieces of leather, old jewelry, scissors and sewing materials, yarn, plastic flowers, string, ribbon, crochet thread, etc. Old music or song books of the old-favorites are also desired, and a good used sewing machine would be greatly appreciated.

In discussing some longer range plans, Mrs. Goble said she would love to see some young people become involved—maybe an 'adopt a grandparent' program with weekly visits to the residents on a regular basis. The importance of regularity was stressed by Mrs. Goble, especially for those who need a bit of extra attention.

There are also residents at Cherry Creek who would be able to attend some of the senior citizen activities or other community events if they could be provided transportation. Others might enjoy just getting out for a short ride or a trip to the super market. In good weather, for some, even a short walk would provide a diversion as well as light exercise.

Musical groups, skits and readings would be enjoyed on occasion and could possibly be included in the future plans of some of the community's many service organizations.

Anyone who feels a desire to lend a helping hand, in whatever way possible, should contact Mrs. Goble (897-8895 after 4:30 p.m.).

\*There is no worldly reward attached, of course, but remember that Jesus said, "Come O blessed of my Father . . . for . . . I was sick and you visited me."

\*(From the introduction to the Cherry Creek Nursing Home's 12 Commandments on how to be a greatly loved visitor.)

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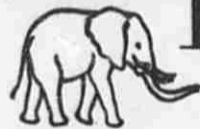
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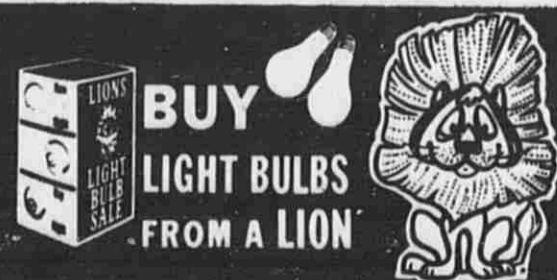
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