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Ecology Day Clean Up

The Flat River Snowmobile Club of Lowell would like to give thanks to our friends, the Forest Hills Snowmobile Association, who graciously offered us the use of their facilities on Ada Drive. This act was greatly appreciated by the many members who attended the business meeting April 21.

All plans have been completed for the Spring Dance and Great Green Giveaway to be held Saturday, May 18. Anyone desiring tickets for either of these may contact Casey VanderMeer, Mike Fugitt, George Schreck or Polly Souser.

Ecology Day will be held Saturday, May 4, according to chairman, Don Souser. All members are urged to meet at Killmaster Ford at 9:30 a.m. Clean up area is along M-21 between Lowell and Ada. There will be "pop brats," and lunch will be served to the workers after the day's work.

The meeting day was concluded with the well-known potluck. Door prize winners were Julie Condon, Marcie Schreck, Esther Minges, and Jacki Condon.

Girl's Track Team Opens 74 Season

Forty strong, the Lowell Senior High School girl's track team opened their 1974 season last Friday.

Working hard in pre-season workouts, the girls scored 23 points against an experienced Hastings High School team, who copped the event with 67 points.

Girls scoring points for Lowell were: Theresa Loyer, first, shot put, 27 feet; Patty Prins, second, long jump, 13 feet, 9 inches; Debbie Canning, second, high jump, 4 feet, 2 inches.

Nancy Bieri, third, 80 yard hurdles; Becky Gerard, second, 880; Joy Singh, second, mile run; Pam Schreier, third, mile run; Debbie Canfield, second, 440; and Karla Kehoe, third, 220.

The girls traveled to Spring Lake Monday, for their second meeting of the season.

Students Achieve All-A's At Michigan State Univ.

A total of 567 students at Michigan State University achieved a 4.0 or straight "A" average during the winter term on the campus in East Lansing.

Of the honor students, five of them, all graduates of Forest Hills High School, were from this area. They are:

Steven A. Grant, 8747 Bailey Drive, Ada, an Agricultural undergraduate. He is in his junior year at State.

Kay Boeskol, 1224 Thornapple River Drive, a freshman student in pre-veterinary, James Eardley, 7213 Driftwood Drive, a senior studying English.

Nancy Matthews, 4400 St. Andrews, a freshman enrolled in Arts and Letters. Craig VanSluyters, 3255 Hall, a senior, majoring in Art.



They're Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Loper of Ada are proud to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Vanessa Sue to Harold Bertran.

The future bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bertran of Ada. A 1973 graduate, he is presently with Vulcanizer's Material Company in Grand Rapids.

Mr. Loper and her fiancé are making plans for an August 31 wedding.

BUSINESS NOTES

FROM THE DESK OF D

How much thought has been given during the past week on the Lowell of 1980? Do you feel as one reader, that things will improve if the city ordinance on parking is enforced, enabling the traffic flow so necessary to a commercial business? Is that the start we need?

Do you feel, as another reader does, that in order for the change to come to our city it will take outside business people because Lowell businessmen and women haven't changed the basic look of the city for the past 25 or 30 years?

Will the small shops lining the approach to the new Showboat Amphitheater be to run by new people? If so, why not? Certainly this would enhance the area along the river and make it appeal to the visitor. Would you visit such a place if you were a visitor? Out for the day?

Can all these changes come about by careful planning by ourselves or do we need some government help? Please address your thoughts to P.O. Box 261, Lowell, 49331. Let's hear what you think!

4-H Horse Judging Teams Place High In State Competition

In state wide competition held last week at Michigan State University, the Kent County Junior and Senior 4-H Horse Judging Teams placed third and sixth respectively in separate team events.

As a part of the Annual Michigan 4-H Horse Judging, the horse judging competition attracted junior teams from 39 counties and senior teams from 42 counties. The Junior Division is for 4-H members from ages 14-18; Senior Division is for 4-H members from ages 19-24.

Kent County's Junior Team members were awarded bronze medals and ribbons for their third place finish, and the Seniors received sixth place ribbons.

In the Individual Judging competition, Kent County Senior Team member, Jane Johnson of Grand Rapids, placed third out of over 160 senior competitors. Two members of the county's Junior Team, Brenda Hibbeln, 13, Caledonia; and Linda LaBelle, 11, Grand Rapids, placed eighth and eleventh respectively out of over 150 junior participants. Miss Johnson was awarded a bronze medal and ribbon for her efforts. Misses Hibbeln and LaBelle received ribbons.

Kent County's Senior Team members are: Jane Johnson, 14, Grand Rapids; Carol Mohr, 14, Walker; JoAnn Oudman, 15, Caledonia; and Patricia Lichner, 16, Comstock Park.

Kent County's Junior Team members are: Brenda Hibbeln, 13, Caledonia; Elizabeth Dorgan, 13, Comstock Park; Kathy Vokoviak, 13, Kentwood; and Linda LaBelle, 11, Grand Rapids.

The Kent County teams were coached by Mrs. Barbara LaBelle and David Dorgan.

Paap Meritoriously Promoted

Marine Cpl. Raymond J. Paap, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Paap of 1629 Buttrick, Ada, was meritoriously promoted to his present rank at the Marine Corps Base at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

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The Award will be presented at the 24th annual National Awards Program of Religious Heritage of America, to be held June 20th at the Washington Hilton Hotel in Washington, D.C.

Religious Heritage of America is a national, interfaith religious and educational organization dedicated to preserving and celebrating America's religious heritage. Through the National Awards Program Religious Heritage honors those Americans, who, by a practical application of their religious principles in their daily lives, have made a significant impact on national and community life.

GILLHESPY SERVES WITH MARINE WING SQUADRON

Marine Pfc. Kenneth E. Gillhespy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene K. Gillhespy of 2871 Five Mile Road, and whose wife, Nancy, is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Dekubber of 3011 Five Mile Road, completed on-the-job training in aircraft maintenance at the Marine Corps Air Station at Cherry Point, North Carolina. He serves with Marine Wing Headquarters Squadron Two.

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SCHOOL BOARD
Lowell Area Schools Board of Education: Regular Meeting, Lowell, Michigan, March 26, 1974.

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The Lowell City Council has authorized City participation in the replacement or extension of sidewalks this Spring.

NEW BUSINESS
1. Motion by Metternick, seconded by Mullen, to place the following teachers on tenure: Jerry Biernacki, Linda Odell, Barbara Timmer, Mary Garrison, Thomas Harper, Jack Long, Jeanine Overton, John Stealy, Gordon Vandenberg, Ed Matecki, Norma Lane, Michalena Carlson, Karen Earl.

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LEGAL NOTICES...
STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT

Euchre Finish A Unique One
The 1973-74 YMCA sponsored Euchre League was a unique one in the history of this popular program.

Ninety-four Attend Rotary Ann Night
The Final Room, atop the ten story Union Bank Building in Grand Rapids, was the scene of the thirty-third annual "Rotary Ann Night" of the Lowell Rotary Club.

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Plants First Tree

North Hudson Street residents, Mr. and Mrs. John Pasanen, right, watched City officials plant the first tree in their yard last Saturday. From left, George Watson and Darrel Bishop of the City Parks' Department, Mayor Carlen Anderson, and Councilman James Hall.

Saturday, April 20, was a day to remember. Lowell Councilman James Hall, under the supervision of Mayor Carlen Anderson, "dug in" to break ground for the Shade Tree Planting Program, being co-sponsored by the City of Lowell and the Lowell Light and Power Company.

Development of the program began early in February, which was too late to develop a complete program

for the entire City. Slight difficulty was encountered in locating sources for trees at reasonable prices because of the fact that other cities ordered their trees in August for Spring planting. In spite of the late date, the City was able to purchase a small quantity of trees to begin the program.

In the Fall of '74, the program will be open to the entire City. Orders for fall plantings will be taken June 15 to August 1. After this time, all trees requested will be ordered from the best nursery at the best price.

This is a fine program for the City. It requires that an interested citizen buy a tree, at wholesale price, from the City, which will be planted free of charge in front of his home. If you are interested, contact the City Office, 897-8457.

LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS' SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA

The Lowell Area School's Board of Education will meet Monday, April 29, in the Middle School Cafeteria at 7:30 p.m.

On the agenda will be the review of elementary school plans; tractor bids; report on boundary commission hearing and a proposed agricultural program for the high school.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR . . .

Complaint Draws Rebuttals

In rebuttal to the citizen's remarks, (published on the Ledger's front page; issue of April 18) who complained about excessive use of Lowell Police Department personnel at the accident transpiring, Friday, April 12, at the upper bridge in Lowell, I would like to make the following remarks.

I heard and saw the accident occur. I reported the accident to the police, and drove back to the bridge, all within an elapsed time of approximately seven minutes.

Two police cars were on the scene. Two officers were attending the injured occupant, treating him for shock, and trying to devise a method to extricate him from the car.

Other personnel were searching the lowland area below the bridge to determine if other occupants (if any) might have been thrown out of the car.

Vehicular traffic from both directions was approaching, parking, viewing and generally getting in the way. This situation required Police Officer control.

One duty officer would have been unable to cope with this emergency effectively.

My wife and myself believe the two off-duty Officers should be recognized, not criticized, for their help and support. Certainly the Reserve Officer was needed at the scene of the accident.

We think, instead of criticism, the Lowell Police Department should be commended for its immediate response and effectiveness.

We believe every citizen has the right to complain, but when the complaint is presented for publication unsigned, we question its validity.

Respectfully,
Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Fowler
125 S. Division, Lowell.

To a Concerned Citizen,

In reference to your letter that appeared in the Lowell Ledger last week about too many police officers responding to an accident at the South Division Bridge.

Sir, you may have read the answer to your inquiry that the Chief of the Lowell Police Department had in the Ledger regarding the accident and why there were so many police officers present.

I am a police officer, however, not with the Lowell Department. The Lowell Police are trying very hard to produce a rescue unit so there will not be as many officers involved in the freeing of persons trapped in a vehicle, in situations such as this, or in some other mishap. I have had the understanding that the wages the officers' are paid will never total the cost of a life that can be saved.

Len

Crew Chief Of The Month

Air Force Sergeant Alan E. Wingeier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Wingeier of Alto, was designated "Crew Chief of the Month" for his section in February. Stationed in England, Wingeier also got an "excellent" rating for a Quality Control Inspection of his airplane.

His current address is: Sgt. Alan E. Wingeier, FR 376-48-9815, 20th OMS, Box 2704, APO, New York, 09194.

It's Library Week



An informal picnic lunch was enjoyed Monday noon by the members of the Lowell Library Board and the exchange librarian from the Caledonia Library.

Lowell's Librarian, Mrs. Evelyn Briggs, spent the day at the Caledonia Library in honor of National Library Week.

Pictured, from left, Library Board members, Mrs. Florence Jefferies, Mrs. Carol Wells, Mrs. Annette Schneider, Mrs. Bea Krum, Mrs. Ellen Cannon, and Janie Patterson, visiting librarian. Missing from the photo is board member, Mrs. Sue Doyle.

Former Lowell Resident Passes

A former Lowell resident and school teacher, Mrs. Jennie Maxine Smith, passed away Sunday, April 21, following a lingering illness. She was 59 years old, and resided at 5000 Peachridge Road in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Smith taught for several years at the Alto School, later entering the Lowell Area School System. She retired several years ago.

Funeral services for Mrs. Smith were conducted Wednesday afternoon at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Chapel, with the Rev. James Smith officiating. Committal services were made at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.

She is survived by her husband, Paul; two sons, Noel of Troy, Michigan and William of Tucson, Arizona; two daughters, Mrs. Roger (Rheta) Hansen of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Douglas (Susan) Houle of Saginaw; and 10 grandchildren.

The family has requested that memorial contributions be made to the Arthritis Foundation at 1331 Lake Drive, S.E., Grand Rapids.

More Supporters Become Lowell Showboat Boosters

The fund drive for the \$60,000 Lowell Showboat Amphitheatre, continues to grow, as new donors join the list of Showboat boosters.

Adding their support to the community project, since last week's report, were C. J. Christoff and Sons, Inc., Ron and Sharon Wittenbach, Robert and Dorothy Forst, Mary Warner, Norm Borgerson, Hugh and Florence Young, B.A. McQueen and Orville B. Jackson.

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CLEAN-UP WEEK



May
6-10

City Trucks will pick up all rubbish and household debris that has been placed at the curb. Material must be in containers or bundled.

Please cooperate with the Street Department by using only containers that can be lifted onto the trucks, by punching holes in metal containers that would hold water, by placing all leaves, cans, etc., in containers, bags or boxes. Do not use 55 gallon drums, they become too heavy to lift when full.

Bulky rubbish such as trees, weeds, and large cardboard boxes are to be bundled so as not to exceed 4 feet in length, nor more than 50 pounds in weight.

Please do not rake leaves into the gutters at the curb, or ditches—they will not be picked up.

City crews will pick up on the East side of Flat River on Monday and Tuesday, May 6 and 7, and the West side of the Flat River, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, May 8, 9 and 10.

Mark on your calendar the date for the pick-up in your area.

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