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Footsteps For Burns Fight Fires Without Leaving The Station Walkathon Saturday

The Lowell Area Jaycees will conduct their second annual "Footsteps for Burns" Walkathon this coming Saturday, May 1.

"When people get burned, they need help," that's what it's all about Sheffer emphasized. "More than two million Americans are burned every year; more than 12,000 people die from burns each year; and burn treatment is expensive."

The registration of walkers will get underway at 8 a.m. with the walkers taking off on the 23-mile hike at 8:30 a.m.

All of Saturday's participants will be walking under the sponsorship of persons, organizations, etc., who have pledged so much a mile for each mile the walker completes. After the walk, the money will be collected and the funds will be turned over to the Burn Center.

The walk begins and ends at the Kent County 4-H Fairgrounds on South Broadway Street, two blocks south of Main (M-21). The walk will end at dark.

If there is rain this Saturday, the walk will still take place. In case of high winds, hail or tornado warnings, the walk will be held on Saturday, June 5.

Several checkpoints along the course will be provided for the walkers who will be unable to make it along the way. All walkers are asked to obey and observe all traffic rules, walk officials, police officers and safety-communications workers who will be working along the way.

For further information on the walk, etc., interested persons can call Mr. Sheffer at 897-8071.

The Jaycee's annual walk is being held to raise funds for the Burn Unit at Blodgett Memorial Hospital in Grand Rapids.

Lowell Woman To Coordinate Area Drive

Last year, the Jaycee's raised over \$9,000; \$7,600 went to the Blodgett Unit and over \$700 went to the National Institute For Burn Medicine.

Mrs. Diederik (Marge) Van Overbeek, 11061 Woodbushe Drive, Lowell, will coordinate collection activities for the Lowell area on behalf of the Humane Society of Kent County's second annual door-to-door fund drive during Be Kind to Animals Week, May 2 thru 8.

General chairman of the Walkathon, Don Sheffer, urges all walkers to wear comfortable clothing; don't overdress. Walking is hot work after the first few miles and wear shoes suitable for walking.

Mrs. VanOverbeek is seeking individuals 14 years or older to help cover the area. Solicitors will be identified by an official badge and collection packet. Interested persons may call Mrs. VanOverbeek at 897-8859.

Sheffer explained low cost food will be available half-way on the route, but walkers can carry candy bars, fruit or a sandwich if they prefer.

The Humane Society of Kent County is a non-profit charitable organization supported solely through donations. Services offered by the Society include a 24 hour animal rescue service; a shelter located in Walker to care for homeless, abandoned and stray animals; an adoption program through which unwanted pets are placed in responsible second homes; investigation of cruelty and neglect; and lost and found service.

Lites On May 4, 5

The 1976 educational and fund-raising "Lites-On" Crusade of the American Cancer Society, Kent County Unit gets underway May 4 and 5 on a hopeful note: "We want to wipe out cancer in our lifetime."

In addition, the Humane Society conducts an educational program in the County's schools and provides speakers and films for service organizations.

"Great strides have been taken in the march against cancer," says Vic Krause, Kent County Crusade Chairman, "but much remains to be done. When ACS volunteers go door-to-door in May, we hope everyone will respond with generous donations. It's the only way we can conquer cancer," he said. The rural areas of Kent County have Crusaders out from March 15 to April 30.

Under the citizen's proposal, the board would have to trim \$150,000 to \$200,000 from the 1976-77 budget, but the group felt the board could make some cuts, without shortening the school days.

American Cancer Society funds are channeled in three directions: cancer education, patient services and medical research. The Kent County Unit helps over 2,000 cancer patients and is educating approximately 3,000 adults and 20,000 youths annually.

Farm Bureau Strongly Supports "Bottle Bill"

Mr. Krause notes Kent County has a testing program, the first of its kind in the state of Michigan, for early detection of colon-rectum cancer. The FREE Hemocult Tests will be given at the Cancer Society Office starting May 12 for six weeks for every Wednesday and Thursday between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. The local Unit's goal is \$227,000 for the 1976 Crusade Drive.

Michigan's largest general farm organization is strongly supporting a statewide petition drive to ban nonreturnable bottles from sale in the state says Michigan Farm Bureau President Elton R. Smith.

The City of Lowell is being coordinated by the Lowell Business and Professional Women's Club under the co-chairmanship of Mrs. Edward Boyd and Mrs. Delores Laux.

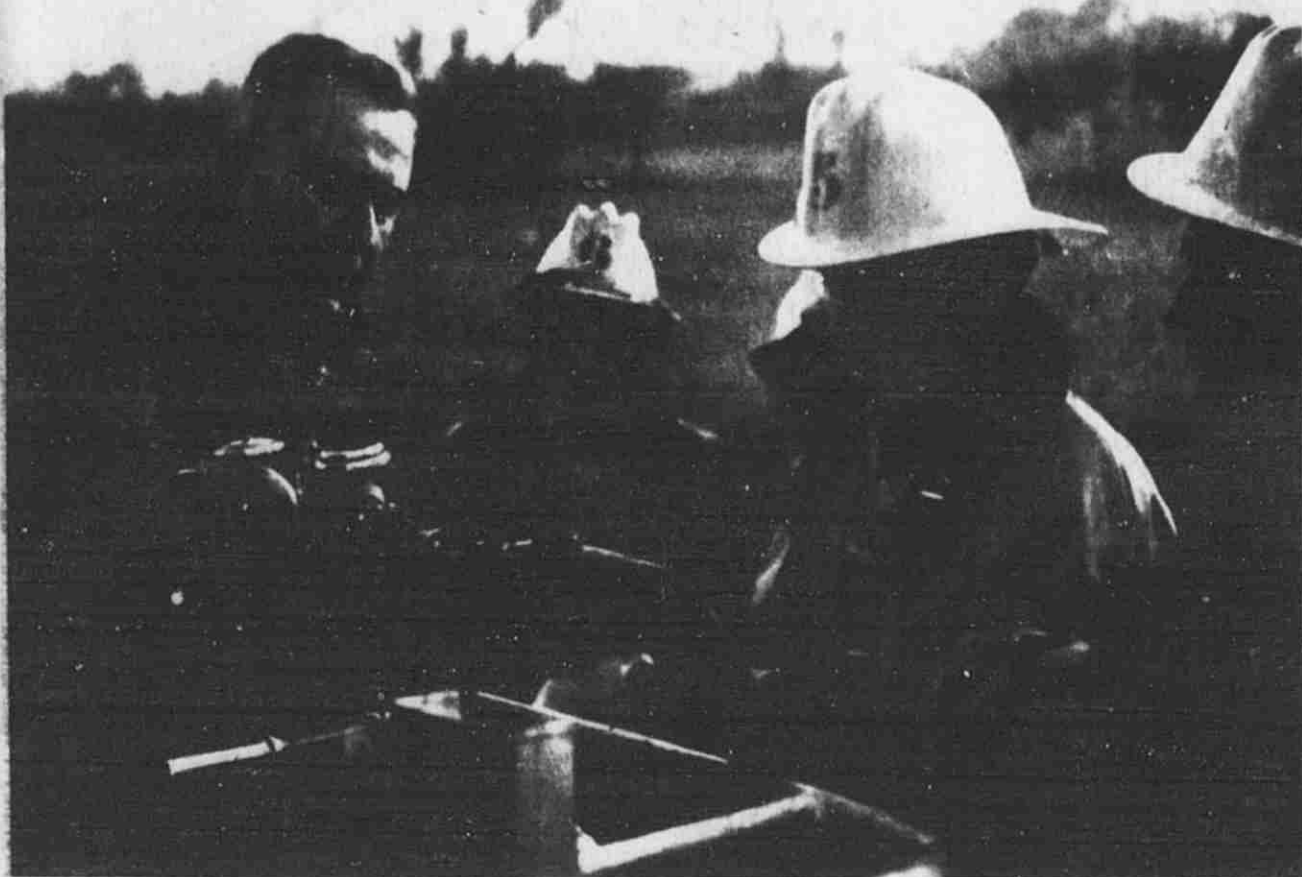
"For years farmers have had serious problems with glass beverage containers thrown along country roads and adjoining fields and woodlots," says Smith. "Discarded beverage containers pose hazards to farm implement tires, auto and truck tires, livestock and crops consumed by animals and humans," the Kent County dairy farmer adds.

The petition has been launched to place the question of banning nonreturnable bottles on the November 2 ballot for voters to decide.

Anyone having any addresses for these people are asked to call 897-7891 or 897-8092.

"BUTCH CASSIDY & THE SUNDANCE KID" coming to the Strand Theatre, Lowell, May 7, 8, 9 & 10. c24-25

THE PERSONAL Touch. Individualized hair coloring at Vanity Hair Fashions, 203 E. Main, Lowell, 897-7506. c24



Ada Fire Department has been fighting many house fires lately without leaving the fire station. Twenty men are finishing an 18-hour advanced Town Fire School offered by the University of Michigan Extension Service.

each, have dealt with the proper use and maintenance of fire apparatus. The firemen are keeping abreast of the latest fire-fighting techniques.

apparatus to best advantage and to prevent excessive wear. Pump operation, hose use, breathing apparatus and flammable chemicals are some of the topics covered.

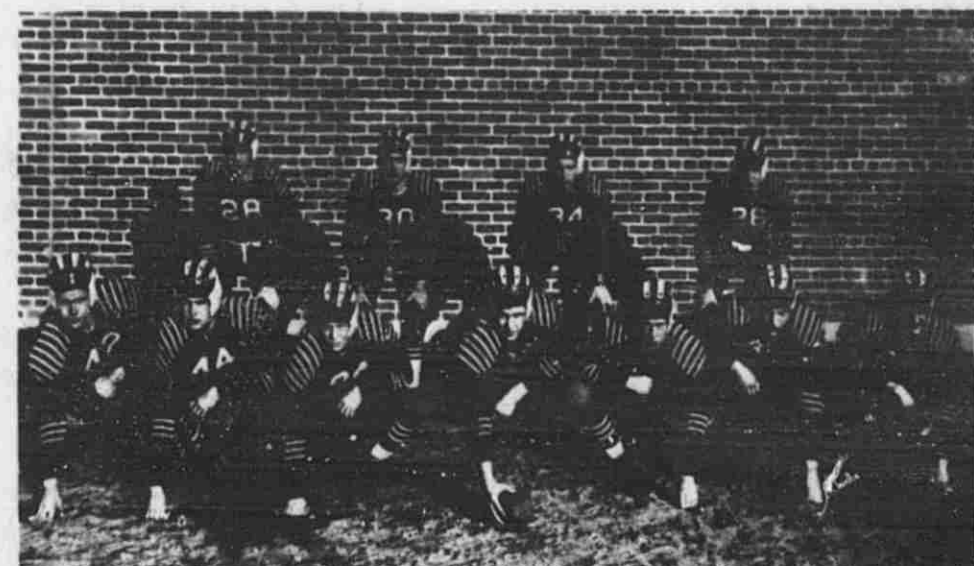
Instructor Don Van Dyke, also a member of the Grand Rapids Fire Department, shows the firemen how to use the fire

signed to maintain efficient fire-fighting. "Our training program keeps the firemen up-to-date on fire-fighting skills and improves the efficiency of fire-fighters and use of the equipment," he said. "We will have more courses of this type in the future."

Citizen's Group Asks For Vote On Five Mills

The Forest Hills Schools' Board of Education will be seeking voter's approval of a 5-mill levy in the June 14 election, following the recommendations of a citizens group headed by Donald MacDonald.

Class Of 46 To Celebrate 30th



The sparkling performances of this Lowell High School football team—back row, Jerry Bird, Bob Rickhoff, Foster Bishop, Bob Kyser; front row, Pat McCormick, Charlie Doyle, Red Baker, Phil Schneider, George Meuller, Humphrey Johnson, and Don Roth—will be relived when the Class of 1946 holds their 30th reunion on May 22.

The graduating class of 1946 of Lowell High School will hold their 30th reunion on Saturday, May 22, at the Deer Run Golf Club.

Man Of The Year



Plans for the festivities are being made by Charlie Doyle, Flora (Mulder) Beachum, Barbara (Richmond) Curtis and Flora (Myers) Bishop.

"Anyone who attended Lowell High between the years of 1942 and 1946, is cordially invited to attend the reunion," Doyle explained. "The last time our class got together was five years ago."

Reservations should be made by May 15 with Ms. Marian Kutchev, 1078 North Lincoln Lake Avenue, Lowell, Michigan 49331.

"We're planning to have a lot of nice entertainment, besides reliving old memories," Doyle said. "If any of the classmates have any old photographs of our school days, we want them to bring them along."

John T. Jones, Superintendent of the Lowell Light and Power Company and president of the Lowell Rotary Club, has been named Rotary's "Man of the Year," for 1976.

Jones accepted his award from Roger Roberts during recognition ceremonies last Wednesday evening, April 21, at their annual Rotary Ann's get-together.

Congratulations to Melvin Dietz, 50, of Lowell who won \$10,000 in the weekly super play drawing of the Michigan Lottery in Southfield last week.

Howard, Evelyn and Roger West at Anderson Shoe Store on East Main Street are celebrating their first anniversary in Lowell this week with a special sale. All persons are invited to stop in and register for a drawing on May 3 for a portable television set.

Thomas Stahr and ten students from Lowell Senior High School boarded a plane Sunday morning at the Kent County Airport bound for Washington, D.C., where they will participate in the Close-Up program giving them a chance to meet with senators, congressmen, lobbyists, ambassadors, etc., and get a close look at the way the government is being run.

The Lowell Showboat Garden Club is encouraging everyone to plan their flower beds now, so they can enter their annual show during Showboat week. The theme of this year's show, July 29 and 30, will be "Martha's Garden."

Don't miss the Lowell High School Musical "Dracula Baby," to be staged May 6, 7 and 8, each evening at 8 p.m. Tickets for this comedy based on the Dracula story, will be on sale at the door.

To put it bluntly, it was a miserable week end... Saturday it rained all day and the wind chilled you like an icicle. Sunday, ole man weather made a return visit to the area, dropping three inches of snow, causing temperatures to drop below zero and making driving quite tedious for those who jumped the gun and had their snow-treads taken off. What more could a fisherman ask for on the opening day of trout season?

Due to new printing schedules, the news deadlines for the forthcoming issues of the Grand Valley Ledger will be as follows: all news copy and photographs, 4 p.m. on Fridays; classified ads, noon on Tuesdays; and advertising copy, 5 p.m. Mondays.

Lowell Planning Commission

Highway Dept. Presents Survey

Representatives of twenty Lowell businesses attended Monday's meeting of the Lowell Planning Commission. The merchants turned out to listen to Mike Jones of the State Highway Department. Jones presented a recent survey taken by his office, in reference to Lowell's Main Street parking.

In other planning commission business, City Manager, Tony Siciliano, presented his findings in reference to how long before Lowell would run out of cemetery plots. Siciliano said that Lowell should have lots available for ten to fifteen years.

The survey was taken on Monday, October 20, 1975. Several merchants told Jones that a Monday was not a good day for a survey because, far fewer are shopping on Monday than on a Friday or Saturday.

Siciliano also reported that Lowell has 6.71 miles of major streets which can receive \$3,300 per mile annually in government aid. However, a percentage of these streets must have parking removed from one side in order to qualify as major streets.

Jones went on to explain that taking parking from one side of the street would create a center lane for left hand turns. Several merchants argued that this would speed up traffic, and would probably cause more serious accidents.

A committee was formed to determine which streets would have parking removed from one side.

Taking parking from one side of Main Street would mean losing 138 parking spaces. Jones pointed out that some of this could be made up from off-street parking. One merchant countered that impulse businesses such as a bakery would not attract people to walk from the nearest parking lot, just to buy a couple of donuts.

Bill Jones read a questionnaire that will be sent to Lowell taxpayers. The questionnaire will hopefully determine the public's feelings toward the City's government, services, and projects. The information received will be helpful in planning for Lowell's future.

Chief of Police, Barry Emmons, presented a chart showing the location and type of accidents occurring along Main Street from January 1, 1976, to date. Emmons' report indicated that a very small percentage of accidents were related to Main Street parking.

Missing Students?

The 1971 graduating class of Lowell Senior High School planning their 5th reunion for this summer, are eager to know the whereabouts of the following classmates:

Karen Antrim, Kathy Beckwith, Dorothy Claeson, Rick Engle, Steve Groenenweg, Marsha Hahnenberg, Lorylee Kroes, Peggy Miller, Kirby Musick, Glenn Smith, Mike Stevens, Linda Niver, Jim Richard, and Tim DeHaan.

PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES — Interested in Photography? We will be offering a class in photography at our studio beginning Wednesday, May 5. The cost will be \$10 and the class will run for 5 weeks. If interested call Modern Photographics, 897-5606 after 3:30.

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LOWELL SCHOOL MENU

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Monday, April 26: Italian Spaghetti, Cole Slaw, Rolls and Butter, Cranberry Jelly, Jello with Whip, Milk.

Tuesday, April 27: Ham and Gravy, on Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Dinner Rolls and Butter, Cranberry Jelly, Jello with Whip, Milk.

Wednesday, April 28: Barbecues, Tossed Salad, Buttered Corn, Applesauce and Cookies, Milk.

Thursday, April 29: Pizza on a Bun, Cabbage Salad with Dressing, Choice of Vegetables, Assorted Fruits, Milk.

Friday, April 30: Red Arrow Submarine Sandwiches, with Special Sauce or Catsup and Pickles, Tater Tots, Buttered Peas, Assorted Whipped Desserts, Milk.

Mother-Daughter Banquet May 4

The annual Mother-Daughter Banquet of the First United Methodist Church of Lowell will be held in the church dining room on Tuesday, May 4, at 6:30 p.m.

To be prepared and served by the Methodist Men, the banquet will have no dessert, as the money will be used to aid world hunger.

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On Tuesday, April 30, Lincoln School held its annual Field Day at Houseman Field in Grand Rapids with 230 students participating in six events during the day.

In the eight and nine-year-old category, Dennis Ryder of Lowell, competing against other children of his age and ability level, brought home two blue and two red ribbons.

Competing for the first time, Dennis placed first in the 50 yard dash and softball throwing and second in the 220 yard dash and frisbee throwing.

Dennis, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Ryder, 220 West Main, Lowell, is anxiously awaiting the 'special olympics' event scheduled for May 6, 7 and 8.

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Can-A-Thon Is May 8

Saturday, May 8, is the day of the 1st annual West Michigan Environmental Action Council Can-A-Thon. The purpose of the Can-A-Thon is to help clean up the mess of bottles and cans we find every spring and raise funds for the West Michigan Environmental Action Council (WMEAC).

Anyone wishing to participate is welcome. Participants will be given a pledge sheet and will ask for pledges for cans picked up. The cans will be taken to pick-up stations where they will be counted and certified.

The person who collects the greatest number of cans and bottles will receive a ten-speed bicycle. Second and third prizes will also be offered. Every participant will receive a "CAN-IT" button and those collecting 100 or more cans and bottles or \$25 in pledges will receive an official Can-A-Thon T-Shirt.

The WMEAC is a group dedicated to fighting for environmental causes. Anyone wishing to participate should call 676-9230 or 453-5592.

Auxiliary Donates Tree



The ladies of Clark-Ellys Post 152's American Legion Auxiliary have donated a Kwanzan Flowering Cherry Tree to the City of Lowell, for planting along Riverside Drive. Another tree will be planted in the Fall.

George Watson, Parks foreman, and Mrs. Robert [Doris] Ellis, Auxiliary president, last week, embedded the tree along the river bank.

They're Engaged



Miss Mary Anne Johnson and Craig A. Wittenbach are engaged and plan to marry August 21.

Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill E. Johnson, Ferris Street, N.W., Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin L. Wittenbach of Lowell.

'HAPPY BIRTHDAY'

APRIL 29—Christopher Kamp-huis

APRIL 30—Kathleen Jenkins, Deborah Schoon.

MAY 1—Rick Roth, Karen Brandt, Dave Hayes.

MAY 2—Oswald Bieri, Mari Denick, Betty Lyons, Bertha Jessup, Melinda Blough.

MAY 3—Sunny Laux, Lillian Newton, Richard Bieri, Roy Brandt.

MAY 4—Charles Doyle.

MAY 5—Rhonda Nickless, A. J. Brown, Shelly Hayes.

MAY 6—David Coons, Paul Miller, Larry Aubertin.

Check It Out!
Don't be a victim of the cancer quack whose unproven methods, "cures" and "remedies" have spread untold misery and death.

VERGENNES CO-OP CLUB TO MEET ON MAY 6
The Vergennes Cooperative Club will meet Thursday, May 6, at 1:30 p.m. in Schneider Manor on Bowes Road.

Mrs. Pauline Johnson and Mrs. Doris Gardner will be hostesses for the meeting which will be an annual 'plant' exchange.

The theme for the meeting is Spring Gardens with Mrs. Dorothy Randall as program chairman.

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LOCAL BRIEFS

Miss Nancy Coons of Lowell will be among the one hundred and twenty-five members of the University of Michigan Wind Ensemble and Symphony Band who will give six concerts during their annual tour of the East in May. The first concert will be May 2 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Other concerts will be in Maryland, New York, and Massachusetts.

John Curtis of Lowell entered a U.S.S. Constitution model ship in a contest April 3 at the J.C. Penney Company in Grand Rapids. He was awarded first prize, a model 1907 Flat cat valued at one hundred dollars.

A new address change has been received for Richard Dennis, 506 Cunningham, Lufkin, Texas 75901.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Henry, 5321 McCord's Avenue, Alto, have returned from a winter's stay in Florida.

Andrew Stuart of Clarksville and Arnis Anderson of Lowell have been on a spring tour with the Ferris State College's Concert Choir.

Mrs. William (Laura) Kerekes has been released from the Ferguson - Droste - Ferguson Hospital.

It's anniversary time for Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bewell, May 1; and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Rickert, May 3.

With the start of the spring session at Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Miss Marcia Mueller, of Lowell, May 3, will begin her training as a leader for the summer orientation program. Miss Mueller, a junior at WMU majoring in Arts and Sciences, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Mueller of 216 Riverside Drive, Lowell.

Federal services were held Saturday afternoon, April 24, at the Lakeside Christian Reformed Chapel, 860 Keister Drive, Campus Lake, for Mrs. Mildred Hoogerheide, aged 76, of Alto who passed away Wednesday, April 21, 1976. Interment was made in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.

Robert J. Key, 51, brother of Mrs. Norman (Esther) Hall of Alto, was fatally injured in a one-car accident early Monday morning, April 26, in Grand Rapids.

BRAYTON F. GOLDS PASSES SUDDENLY
Brayton F. Golds, Lowell businessman, aged 68, died suddenly of a heart attack Tuesday, April 27.

He operated a live bait outlet at his home on North Lincoln Lake Avenue.

Funeral arrangements are being made at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell.

Top Math Student

Raymond David, father of Mrs. Lester (Norma) Stuart of Clarksville, passed away April 23 at the Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital. A resident of Lake Odessa, and a retired station agent for the C&O Railroad, he was 76-years-old.

Mrs. Doris M. VanSiclen, 76, of Lake Odessa died April 18 at the Pennek Hospital in Hastings. Funeral services were held April 21 in Lake Odessa. Among her survivors is a daughter, Mrs. Leon (Frances) Miller of Lowell.

Mrs. Mina Shook's brother, Oscar (Tom) Weigel, 69, of Grand Rapids passed away April 20 at the Osteopathic Hospital in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. John Leroy Sierick will celebrate their second wedding anniversary on May 24th.

Mr. and Mrs. James Kasier will celebrate their second wedding anniversary on May 24th. Mrs. Kasier is the daughter of Gerald Thompson, 1286 Laurie Gail Dr., Lowell.

Frank VanDusen is spending a few days in Ypsilanti this week, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Richard McNaughton.

Hundreds of Girl Scouts, over 75 troop displays and multitude of activities mark Woodland's recognition of the 64th Birthday of the Girl Scouts. The week-end of April 29, 30 and May 1, Girl Scouts from six West Michigan counties will centralize at Woodland Shopping Center. "Girl Scouts . . . Ring Out" is a massive celebration focusing on a Bicentennial theme of scouting heritage.

"Declaration of Fashion" is the theme chosen for the Annual Kent County A-H Style Review, Saturday, May 1, at Davenport College. The public is cordially invited to attend the program scheduled for 2 p.m.

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David Butts, Webelos Leader, presented thirteen activity pins to five Webelos: Brendan Ketter received five, Alan Ryder received two, Erik VanderWal received two, and Kenneth Hall received two.

Other awards given by Cub-

Top Math Student



Twelve of Western Michigan University's top mathematic students have been honored with the presentation of various awards for academic excellence by the mathematics department.

Graduating with Honors in Mathematics will be Miss Marie L. Smith of Lowell.

A former graduate of Lowell High School, Miss Smith is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Smith of 3790 Pratt Lake Avenue, Lowell.

Warm spring weather brings out many things, wildflowers, insects, people, mores, leaves, birds, and snakes. Snakes are the most misunderstood animal on earth. Slimy, creepy, crawlers, who needs them?

Without the lowly green and white garter snake or yellow and black puff-adder in the neighborhood, you may have twice as many mosquitoes bothering you. These animals are efficient insect catchers and also keep populations of toads and frogs in check by eating them.

Perhaps the most distasteful thing about snakes is their stinky appearance. When was the last time you petted a snake? Snakes are dry and smooth with scales much like fish. Their color gives them the ability to blend in with surrounding vegetation and make them almost invisible to hawks, fox, and raccoons and other predators.

Snakes will either lay eggs or bear live young depending upon the species. During their growing stages snakes will shed their skin and replace it with a new one that grows beneath the old one. The old skin will begin to peel from the inside and turn inside out as the snake rubs along rough surfaces to remove it.

Most snakes will lie motionless, well camouflaged, in the grass waiting for prey to come its way. The tongue that flicks in and out is used to examine the snakes surroundings. This snake is often as curious about you as you may be about him. The blue racer may not flee but observe you as you observe him, occasionally they follow you as you leave.

Rattlesnakes in Michigan are not a threat to human life. There has never been a recorded case of a person dying of a rattlesnake bite in this state. Rattlesnakes are known by many names, massasauga, copper-head, rattler, diamondback and others. In this area they are generally small and feed on field mice.

The puff adder, blowsnake, pilot snake or hognose snake is a common snake often mistaken for a rattlesnake. This snake has a curious habit of bluffing its enemies by flattening its head like a cobra and hissing. If the intruder still does not leave, it may roll on its back and play "possum."

Repeated attempts to put it back on its belly are fruitless as this "dead" snake will only roll back on its back. After the nuisance has gone, the puff adder will come to life and wander into the grass.

Steve Harrington
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Arrows Split Net Contests

Lowell's tennis team continued their pattern of winning at home and losing on the road by edging Lakewood 3-2 on Tuesday at the Birch Field courts and dropping Friday's match at Fremont 1-4.

Coach Mark Weber's squad now owns a season record of 2-3 with their Tri-River record at 1-2.

The Lowell-Lakewood match

was evenly divided with each school gaining two points apiece when first year netters, Randy Adams and Ron Klein, began their second set at third singles. The outcome of the match would be determined by the winner.

Adams, Lowell freshman, had won the first set 7-6 from the Lakewood junior in a nine point tie breaker, 5-2.

The second set was a repeat of the first with long rallies, sharp return of serves, and a see-sawing of score. Adams took an earlier lead 4-1, before Adams again regained control to lead 5-3 and the break serve for a 6-3 set and the match.

Once again it was Gordon Hill and Dion Ritzema quickly disposing their opponents at first and second singles respectively. Hill handed French a 6-0, 6-3 defeat and Ritzema dropped Dave Benson 6-1, 6-3.

Lakewood's strength in doubles showed itself as their first doubles duo of Martin and Livingston set back Mark Thompson and Paul Miller 6-2, 6-3.

Lowell's second doubles combination of Roger Wilson and Lindsay Fonger put up a real fight in the second set but found VanBuren and Taylor just a bit too tough for a 1-6, 4-6 loss.

Coming off the victory over Lakewood the team traveled to Fremont on Thursday only to be rained out. Returning to Fremont on Friday, senior Gordon Hill retained the winning touch with a hard fought 6-4, 6-4 victory at first singles over Pinnick.

Hill's victory was the only one of the match as Osborn downed Dion Ritzema 6-3, 6-0 at second singles while Lutz dropped Randy Adams 6-3, 6-4 in a close match at third singles.

At first doubles Mark Thompson and Roger Wilson could not get untracked in a 6-2, 6-0 defeat to Moe and Smith. Paul Miller and Lindsay Fonger at second doubles were downed 6-0, 6-1 by Nadeau and Slocum.

Coming meets find the Red Arrows at home against Sparta on Thursday, April 29, and against Ionia on Monday, May 3. They travel to Cedar Springs on Thursday, May 6.

Thirteen and fourteen-year-old girls will practice this Thursday. All contests begin at 4 p.m.

Girls Softball Started



Three girls, Karen Saladino, Linda Keim and Kim Bray, in the seven, eight and nine-year-old divisions of the girls' softball league, discuss their forthcoming practice session with Mrs. Marilyn Keim and Pat VanDyke.

The Lowell YMCA offers softball for girls seven through fourteen years of age, with all practice sessions being held at the baseball diamond located at Lowell Senior High School.

Girls, interested in playing, can still register by calling 897-7375, or they can sign up at the field at one of the remaining practice sessions.

Seven, eight and nine-year-old girls will practice from 11 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday, May 1, and from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Monday, May 3.

Ten, eleven and twelve-year-old girls will practice on Saturday, May 1, from 1 to 2 p.m. and on Tuesday, May 4, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

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Wabasis Park Campgrounds To Be Opened

Wabasis Park campgrounds will be open to the public Friday and the shelterhouses Saturday, but all Kent County Parks have been open the last couple of weeks because of the summer-like weather.

"This is the earliest the parks have been opened in many years," says Don Arnott, the park superintendent. "Usually, April is chilly or rainy, but this didn't occur due to the record highs being established."

Arnott says people began using the parks for picnics and sports early in the month and he gave the word to his staff to turn on the water in the restrooms and at the faucets, place the picnic tables right side up and remove chains from the entrances.

Parks in the Lowell area, besides Wabasis, include Fallasburg, and Townsend, both with shelterhouses, and rucks.

Incidentally, the L.E. Kaufman Golf Course in Palmer Park, Wyoming, has been open since April 1 and golfers by the thousands have been playing the course, with weekends seeing the heaviest use, Arnott adds.

Reservations for weekends and holidays may be made at 7 a.m. the Wednesday before. Other days are on a first come-first served basis.

These meetings will be held

Cyclomen Chapter No. 94, Order of the Eastern Star will host their annual Friendship Night Friday, April 30, at 8 p.m. at the Lowell Masonic Lodge.

All members and guests will see the Shrine Clowns provide the evening's entertainment.

A donation to the Shrine Children's Hospital will be made in lieu of gifts to visiting officers and the program expenses.

Awarded Black Belt



Ve Weeks of Lowell has been awarded his 2nd Degree Black Belt in Karate.

Men and Women's Softball Leagues

The Lowell YMCA will be offering three softball leagues for adults this summer; men's fast pitch, men's slow-pitch and women's slow-pitch.

Any organization or person wanting to enter a team in these leagues should have a representative attend the organizational meeting.

These meetings will be held

Men's fast-pitch, Tuesday, May 4, 8 p.m.; men's slow-pitch, Tuesday, May 4, 9 p.m.; and women's slow-pitch, Thursday, May 6, 8 p.m.

Any questions should be directed to the Ball Program Director, Al Eckman, 897-5455, or the YMCA office, 897-7375.

Other Lowell finishes were: shotput, Grummet, 2nd; Henshaw, 3rd; Discus, Noall, 3rd; high jump, Doyle, tie for 3rd; long jump, Heintzelman, first; Doyle, second.

Pole Vault, Grummet, second, Fraser, third; 120 hurdles, Perdard, 3rd; Mile, Odell, 1st; Dey, 3rd; 100, Thomet, 3rd; 160 hurdles, Perdard, 2nd; two mile, Mulder, 3rd; 220 Thomet, 2nd; Stinchcomb, 3rd.



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A's and B's—Sharon Beattie, Mary Breckon, Pam Denny, Tracy Hardy, Rachelle Hyrkas, Nancy Laird, Cathy Meyers, Tammy Moore, Tari Sisson, Julie Smith, Peggy Stahl.

A's and B's and 1 C—Kirt Burgdorf, Phil Furman, Scott Hamp, Dennis Kanele, Lorraine Knop, Moya Lombardo, Ken Wright.

JUNIORS
All A's—Martin Hill, Bill Newell, Jennifer Patrick, Lorraine Willison.

A's and B's—Linda Barrett, Connie Benedict, Brends Borup, Kelly Cahoon, Steve Card, Dan Carigan, Gordie Fulton, Kim Gillette, Jim Groiner, Scott Harris, Clara Kaskanek, Connie Larsen.

Ken Lehman, Belinda Merklinger, Dawn Moore, Mary Overbeck, Lisa Plutch, Kelly Reynolds, Kathy Sauber, Susan Smith, Chris Soules, Yvonne Sprague, Becky Swiler, Cindy Talcott, Jeffrey Taylor, Aaron Walkington.

A's and B's and 1 C—Mark DenBoer, Terry Hendrix, Sue Kauffman, Chris Krieger, Glenda Neuschwander, Rick Rainier, Steve Rose.

SOPHOMORES
A's—Randy Carigan, Gary Gillette, Terry Hardy, Michelle Hunter, Jeff Kneale, Joel Mutschler, Cathy Overbeck.

A's and B's—Shirley Austin, David Bateman, Karen Boike, Cindy Bush, Mike Hayden, Chris Coulson, Kim Caboen, Al Heaton, Tim Hendrix, Ruth Kimball.

Mary Lehman, Debbie McMahon, Dan Newell, Wanda Pitchford, Laurie Sisson, Dewey Sprague, Mark Talcott, Julie VanBennekum, Lynn Watson, Rita Wells.

A's and B's and 1 C—Brian Brogan, Debbie Cook, Cathy Coulier, Jill Darby, Tammy Frayer, Julie Kiddle, Laureate Loy, David Meyers, Renee Murphy, Kerri Soules, Lori Swiger, Sherri Wright.

FRESHMEN
A's and B's—Robin Abshire, Sue Boike, Linda Borden, Sally Breckon, Cathy Bush, David Clark, Greg Kneale, Mark Rhoades, Matt Rhoades, Rosa

Cost Guard Seaman Ricky J. Barrett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard D. Barrett, of Saranac, was graduated from Basic Signalman School at the Naval Training Center, Orlando, Fla.

The six-week course includes

Hendrix Is Second

Tim Hendrix placed second in the Cedar Springs United States Freestyle Wrestling Junior Freestyle Tournament last Saturday at the Cedar Springs Junior High School. Wrestling at 123 pounds, Tim won two out of three matches.

Dan Thomas paced fifth out of 27 wrestlers in the 143-pound class. Each of his four wins was by a pin.

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Farm Demand Outlook: 'Six Six Six '76'

Farmers can plan around a "Six Six Six '76," according to a Michigan State University agricultural economist.

"That's how we read the tag on the general business climate for 1976-6 percent growth in real consumer income, 6 percent inflation and, by the end of the year, 6 percent unemployment," explains John Ferris.

"For the business and labor community, that's a fairly optimistic outlook."

Ferris was one of several MSU economists who attempted to answer "lamey questions" during one session of Farmers' Week on campus, March 25.

"In 1975, we faced 2 percent growth in real income, 9 percent inflation and 8 percent unemployment," Ferris says.

"The U.S. economy in 1976 is turning around favorably somewhat faster than many had anticipated."

Although bolstered by a credit in 1976 will be a bit cheaper. Interest rates on farm loans, other than real estate, are well under early 1975. Feed prices are less than last year and will probably continue so.

As for the cattle market, the number of cattle on feed is up sharply, and market weights of cattle sold are increasing. At the same time, there are heavy sales of cows. This is putting

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Here's the 1976 farm cost and price outlook, according to Ferris:

Farmers may benefit somewhat when consumers' purchasing power increases by 6 percent, but may be penalized by continuing inflation.

It appears that farmers face a continuing squeeze between the prices they receive and the prices they pay in 1976. As some farm costs ease, the squeeze may not be as severe as in 1975.

Considering prospective crop and livestock production for 1976, it's unlikely that farm

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Lions' White Cane Week Declared In Alto Area



Dick Johnson, Ray Linton and Ervin Church.

Life-long Alto businessman, Ray Linton has declared April 26 through May 1 as White Cane Week in the Alto Area.

Annually, the Lions Clubs throughout the State participate in the White Cane Program by passing out educational material and soliciting contributions for Lions projects for the blind and hearing handicapped.

Linton is shown with Alto Lion President Dick Johnson and White Cane Chairman Ervin Church, signing the Proclamation.

Lion Ray notes that Lions Clubs seek to acquaint the public with its obligations to the

people who use leader dogs and white canes and to assure public recognition and observance of the law protecting persons using these symbols.

The Alto Lions are only five-months-old, but have been active in the community and have many projects on the drawing board for the Alto Area in addition to their interest in sight conservation work through the Leader Dog School. Wellcome Home for the Blind, and aid to the sight handicapped through examinations and eye-glasses for the less fortunate and other worthwhile projects.

The Alto Lions will be seeing you on Friday, April 30, and Saturday, May 1.

Letters to the Editor

The Boy Scout Car Wash, held last Saturday, was a big success. We hope to have another soon, so that all those who did not get the opportunity to take advantage of the fine job done by the scouts, will be able to do so at that time. It will be held at the Zephyr gas station as before.

Also in the planning is a Chicken Bar-B-Que, and a canoe trip which is to be held in June.

The Troop was given a lesson in fishing and knot tying by the Lion Patrol for the upcoming Lean-To campout.

An Opinion: Things are a great deal different on Monday Nights now. They are vague and gloomy, without substance or function.

This is the way I see things since the sudden extinguishing of our guiding light, Bill Nowak. He had illuminated the way for many a boy over the years, and he had shown them all the path very well.

One of these boys, now a man, sits in his place, yet it is empty. A faint ember upon the hearth where once a great fire roared.

I realize that our Troop can accomplish many things under the leadership of Dirk Ritzen, but he must have the willing

School Board Proceedings

Lowell Area Schools, Lowell, Michigan, Board of Education, Regular Meeting, March 25, 1976.

Meeting called to order at 7:40 p.m. by President Metterrick.

Roll Call-Members Present: Metterrick, Mullen, Miller, Thaler, Siegle, Roberts, Kropf. Members Absent: None.

Motion by Roberts, seconded by Mullen, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 22, 1976. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Motion Carried.

Motion by Mullen, seconded by Thaler, to approve the Agenda. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Motion Carried.

Old Business

1. **Administrator contracts.** Motion by Siegle, seconded by Thaler, to offer to renew the continuing contracts for the following administrators: Leonard Sinka, Superintendent; Donald Kelly, Assistant Superintendent; Jerry Wabeck, Business Manager; Dennis McMahon, Senior High School Principal; Ralph Burde, Assistant Senior High School Principal; Rodney Smith, Community School Director; John Gabriel, Middle School Principal; Arthur Bieri, Assistant Middle School Principal; Dirk Venema, Runciman-Riverside Schools Principal; William Kirby, Alto Area Elementary School Principal. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Motion Carried.

2. **Motion by Siegle, seconded by Kropf, to offer a one year contract to David Burdette as Bushnell Elementary School Principal for the 1976-77 school year.** Ayes-7, Nays-0, Motion Carried.

3. **Motion by Roberts, seconded by Mullen, to offer a contract to Roger Buck for the 1976-77 school year as Special Education Supervisor and Teacher.** Ayes-7, Nays-0, Motion Carried.

4. **Teachers on Tenure.** Motion by Siegle, seconded by Thaler, to place the following teachers on tenure: Lori Price, Jackie Tousey, Beverly Grothenius, Gary Papke, Dan L. Herault, Tim Hawkins, Barbara Vidro, Maura Kunst, Kay Numbers, Nancy Doyle, Elizabeth Thompson, David Boone, Gary Butts, Constance Molesta, Richard White, JoAnn Frey. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Motion Carried.

5. **Teachers on Second Year Probation.** Motion by Siegle, seconded by Mullen, to place the following teachers on Second Year Probation: Nancy Knechtel, Sharon Venasa, Judy Kelley, Robert Schiefer, Barbara Schneider, Cheryl Blodgett, Betty Brink, Judy Trompen, James Grant, Susan Meisner, Jack Ogde, Deborah Tomeck. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Motion Carried.

6. **Executive Session.** Motion by Roberts, seconded by Mullen, to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters with Robert Shaler, Mrs. Helen Hobbs, and Mrs. Bonnie Post. Ayes-7, Nays-0, Motion Carried.

7. The meeting resumed.

Motion by Roberts, seconded by Mullen, to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
David Miller, Secretary

Bride-To-Be Is Honored

Mrs. David Fluger of South Montcalm Avenue, Lowell, hosted a miscellaneous bridal shower Friday, April 9, for the pleasure of Miss Laura Aubertin of 1286 Laurie Gail Drive, Lowell.

Miss Aubertin will wed Rodney TerKunst of Rockford on May 22, 1976.

Games were enjoyed by the 14 guests who were present from Sheridan, Saranac, Lowell, Grand Rapids and Rockford. After the lovely gifts were opened, Mrs. Fluger served refreshments. The cake was formed in an umbrella shape

and was iced in various pastel shades. Guests departed after wishing Miss Aubertin and Mr. TerKunst endless years of happiness.

Most unusual games were played after which Laura opened her gifts, and refreshments were served. About 20 were in attendance.

Chapter 1388 Meets May 3

The Lowell Women of the Moose, Chapter 1388, will meet in their club rooms on East Main Street Monday evening, May 3, at eight o'clock, for a special Chapter Night program.

'Academy of Friendship' members will be in charge of the program agenda, under the direction of Carrie 'Doc' McCaul, chairman. Academy members are:

Ruth Morgan, Margie Noyes, Alice Rittersdorf, Fawnee Shepard, Delia Smith, Winifred Snieder, Polly Souser, Cora Stormann, Virginia Will, Jo Willard and Gail Wolfe.

Also on the program will be the reading of the nomination of officers for the forthcoming club year, so please plan to attend.

The officers and co-workers of the Women of the Moose meet twice a month on the first and third Mondays.

Patricia L. Smith, Treasurer

READ THE WANT ADS

Fall Camping Program For Sixth Graders

Sixth grade teachers from Lowell Middle School and Steve Harrington, School Naturalist are proposing a fall school camping program for next year's sixth grade students.

The program would involve a 2 1/2 day outdoor experience aimed at motivating students in academics through outdoor education.

Organizers of the program are seeking information from parents of fifth grade students to determine if the parents would support such a program out there are many reasons for including the camping program in the Outdoor Education curriculum. "It has been shown that learning takes place most effectively through direct experience," he said. "Some objectives of the curriculum can be achieved more effectively outside the classroom in an outdoor situation."

Educational activities will be primarily centered around math and science skills. Schools that have been involved in camping programs find that they can use what is experienced throughout the school year. Often a teacher will be better able to identify a student with problems and help them effectively because of the relationship established during the camping experience.

"Our main goal is improving academic learning which is how this camping program differs from YMCA, Boy Scouts or other camps," Harrington said. "Experience has shown that school camping programs have much to offer the student."

If final approval is obtained, the camping experience would take place at Camp Manitou-Lin, a YMCA camp on Barlow Lake near Middleville. Cost would be \$16 per student which would include food services and use of all camp facilities for 2 1/2 days. Students would be given

FREE PROGRAM ON CAMPING AND CANOEING

Kay Hislop, president of the West Michigan Council of the American Youth Hostels, will present a free program Tuesday, May 4, on canoe camping in the Cascade Christian Church at 8 p.m. for the Cascade Library. She will tell how to canoe, what to take along on the canoe and where to go.

There will be a bibliography on the subjects of books available throughout the Kent County Library System at each of the programs. There will also be a book display.

For further information call the Cascade Library at 949-3130.

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COMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAYS

YMCA Ladies' Exercise Class meets Wednesday morning 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at Lowell United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Call 897-7375 to sign up.

APRIL 30

YMCA Golf Lessons for beginners or anyone wanting to improve their game, starting Friday, April 30, at Sr. High Gym from 7 to 9 p.m. or 9 to 11 p.m. taught by a professional golfer. Call 897-7375 for sign-up.

OPEN LETTER from

DAVID GERST

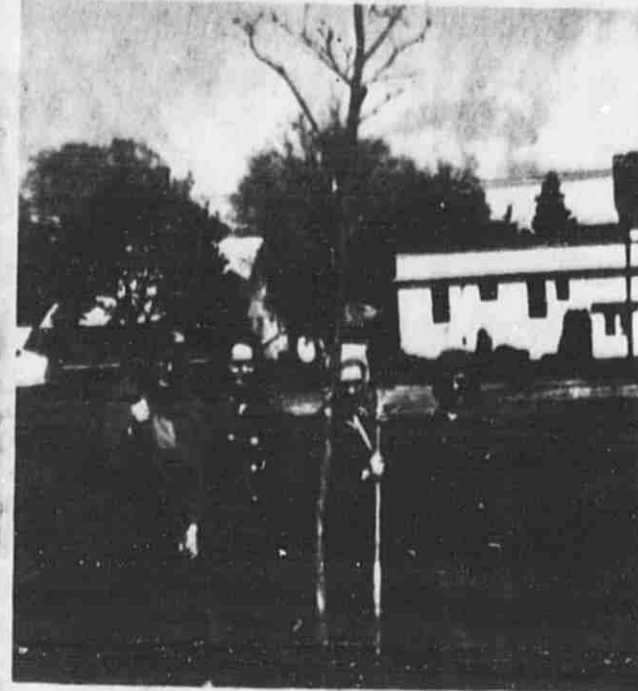
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Ada Community Reformed Church 7227 Throatlump River Drive - 676-1032 REV. WILFRED FIET Worship Services 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 6:00 p.m. We invite you to make this community church your church home. WELCOME TO ALL!	Church of The Nazarene - Lowell 201 North Washington Street REV. W. E. HOLCOMB Church School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Mid-Week Service 7:00 p.m., Teens, Adults Nursery Provided - Come & Worship With Us	First Baptist Church - Alto Corner of 6th Street & Bancroft Avenue Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Jr. & Sr. High Young Peoples 6:30 p.m. Evening Worship 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study 7:30 p.m.
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Bicentennial Liberty Tree



A "London Plane Tree" (Sycamore) has been planted at Richard's Park on North Hudson Street by the members of the Lowell Showboat Garden Club.

The Bicentennial Liberty Tree was donated by the club to the City's Park Program.

Taking part in the planting were Mrs. Evelyn Free, chairperson of the club's Roadside Therapy Committee, Mrs. Olive Cook, Mrs. Evelyn Briggs and Mrs. Avis King.

Helping the City of Lowell with its tree planting program, the Lowell Showboat Garden Club planted a London Plane Sycamore tree in Richard's Park on April 22.

Plant a Liberty Tree for Posterity—200 years ago patriots planning the American Revolution gathered for secret meetings beneath the branches of certain large trees dubbed "Liberty Trees." The Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan urge you to plant a Liberty Tree on Arbor Day April 30, 1976, to replace lost trees, to improve the environment and to symbolize re-dedication to the hopes and ideals of the early patriots.

Keep America's Ideals deep-rooted. Plant a Liberty Tree.
Kathy DeNolf Weds Gary Lee Rosemary

Miss Kathryn Ann DeNolf of Grand Rapids and Gary Lee Rosemary of Royal Oak, exchanged their vows of Holy Matrimony Saturday afternoon, April 24, 1976, at St. Mary's Church, Lowell.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. DeNolf of Lowell and Mr. and Mrs. F. Lee Rosemary of Indianapolis, Ind.

Following a brief honeymoon, the newlyweds, after May 1, will be at home in Royal Oak, Michigan.

At the reception, following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. DeNolf of Jenison, brother and sister-in-law of the bride, presided as master and mistress of ceremonies.

ADA MEETING WILL DISCUSS BEAUTY ROAD
A public meeting will be held at the Ada Township Hall, 555 Ada Drive, Tuesday, May 11, for the purpose of discussing the designation of a portion of Bailey Drive as a natural beauty road.

The meeting, which will begin at 11 a.m. is being held for the purpose of discussing a petition designating that portion of Bailey Drive between Vergennes and Boynton Avenues as a natural beauty road, as provided by Michigan Act 150, Public Act 1970.



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Thanks to my many friends, neighbors and relatives for the cards, plants and visits during the two weeks I was in the hospital.

Howard W. Seeley

We would like to thank our friends and neighbors for the many acts of kindness shown us at the passing of our mother and grandmother. We also thank Doctors McKay, Gerard and Terpstra for their assistance and Rev. Dean Bailey for his comforting words. God Bless you all.

The Family of Emma Klump

We wish to thank our friends, neighbors and relatives for the beautiful floral tributes, cards, food and many acts of sympathy during the loss of our beloved husband, father, grandfather and brother. We also wish to thank the E-Unit, Rev. Greenwood and Roth-Gerst Funeral Home for their kind and considerate care.

The Family of LeRoy Grindie

I wish to thank my dear friends for the get well and birthday cards while I was in the hospital. I wish to thank the Jolly Community Club for the basket of fruit. The Canasta girls for the planter, also the Mill Creek Meadows for the plants. It was deeply appreciated.

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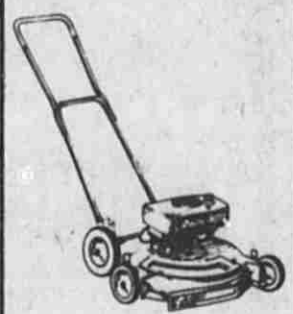
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