

# The Grand Valley Ledger

Weekly Coverage of Ada, Alto, Cascade, Forest Hills, Lowell and Saranac

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PRICE FIFTEEN CENTS



Dode and Shirl have done it again at That "Special" Place. A new eye-catching coat of exterior paint has been applied to their store at 215 West Main Street.

Other Main Street merchants should also be complimented on the improvements made to their buildings in time for Showboat Week.

A six-year-old Lowell boy was apprehended last week as one of the culprits responsible for the destruction of the flower beds at the John Erickson residence on Avery Street.

The boy was caught by the Ericksons when they saw him ride his bicycle through their front yard late last Tuesday evening.

He later admitted taking part in destroying the flowers on two other occasions.

Have you noticed the Liberty Bell flower plantings at the Lowell Library on West Main Street; a joint effort of the City of Lowell and the Lowell Showboat Garden Club?

George Watson and his helpers set the staggered railroad ties for the flower bed and the marigolds and ageratum for the bell were planted by the garden club members.

The Showboat Ticket Office boasts a hanging basket and pots of geraniums due to the efforts of Bruce Walter for the week of Showboat.

The merchants of Lowell will hold their annual "Sidewalk Sale Days" this year on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 5, 6 and 7.

Any merchant having any ideas on how to improve this year's Sidewalk events are urged to submit them to Sam Cluffo, president of the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce at Captain's Korner.

The Chamber of Commerce would like to see a one hundred percent [100%] participation in this year's annual event.

A Main Street welcome this week to Lucchesi's Pizza House, which opened July 20, at 119 East Main Street, serving Italian style pizza at its best.

Owned by Jack and Emma Lucchesi, they also serve submarine sandwiches, Italian Fork or Beef sandwiches, soft drinks, meat balls and sausage.

Physical examinations will be given to all Lowell High School athletes (boys and girls) at the high school—boys, Tuesday, August 10, at 7 p.m. and girls, Tuesday, August 17, at 7 p.m.

Athletic Director Robert Perry announced the exams will be given to all athletes, except those playing on freshman teams. They must be examined by their family doctors.

Physical cards are available at the High School office. They must be signed by the parents, before the examination will be given.

A recent census survey in Ada Township has shown a 22.8 percent population increase since 1970, giving the township a roster of 5,500 residents. The 1970 census listed the township's population at 4,479.

To make sure that no township resident was missed by the census takers, the Township is mailing out forms to be returned by the citizens not counted.

This increase in population will give the Township an additional \$25,000 in state shared funds; they now receive \$84,000 annually.

In the interest of the public's health and welfare; citizens are being encouraged to cut all pollinating weeds on their premises and to notify City Hall of vacant lots that have not been mowed.

In the event that landowners are unable to accomplish mowing prior to August 15, 1976, City work crews will mow vacant lots at the owners expense.

Full cooperation on the part of all residents will help reduce discomfort for asthma and hay fever sufferers and generally improve the appearance of the City.

The clubrooms at the V.F.W. Post 8303 on East Main Street will be open to the public Saturday, July 31.

At this same time, the V.F.W. and its auxiliary will be serving a cold plate lunch between 12 noon and 6 p.m.

GREAT CURL!—Great Condition! Uni-Perm at Vanity Hair Fashions, 203 E. Main, Lowell, 897-7506. c37

BEVERLY SPILLANE, Write-In Candidate for Lowell Township Supervisor. Vote August 3rd. c34-37

## Lots Of Candidates In Tuesday's Primary

The ballot facing the voters at the polls for the August 3 General Primary Election next Tuesday, August 3, will carry a lot of candidates names at all levels of government.

Three of the hottest races in this area will see Robert R. Trent vying for the job of Ada Township Supervisor against incumbent John H. Forshar; three write-in candidates for the office of Lowell Township supervisor—Beverly Spillane, Harry Yeiter and Delmar Stuessy; the 3rd Dist. Kent County Commissioners seat which find incumbent Arnold Wittenbach facing three opponents—Jo Somerville, Maureen Dreher and Don Harrington.

Candidates appearing on the various township ballots will include:

**Ada Township**  
Supervisor: John H. Forshar, Robert R. Trent; clerk, Kenneth Anderson, Lynne Kohlbeck; treasurer, Orison M. Weaver; trustees: D. James Dunn, Paul S. Nelson; constable, Russell H. Vidcan, sr.

### Above The Board

## Angry Parents Voice Objections

A mass reaction to the cutbacks in the Lowell School budget for the coming year brought an overflow crowd to Monday night's board meeting and packed the Bushnell Kiva.

Just about everyone had their say and, as was expected, there were more cons than pros.

In spite of a few irate outbursts, there appeared to be an air of respect that flowed back and forth between the 200 somewhat angry parents and teachers and seven defensive board members. The questions were straight forward and the answers appeared to be straight forward too; it was as though both sides were sincerely trying to present their case and, right or wrong, they each believed in it.

Two issues were still paramount; the parents maintained that the public was never told that cuts would be necessary if the one additional mill failed to pass in the last school election and, secondly, the majority of those attending felt strongly that the cuts that were made were in the wrong place.

To prove the board's point that the people were told, Supt. Leonard Sinke read from an article in the June issue of the school's publication, "The Measuring Stick," which is mailed to everyone in the school district. The article did substantiate the board's claim.

**Bowne Township**  
Supervisor, Irwin Rodgers; clerk, Harold Metternick, Sandra Kowalczyk, Kathleen Dintaman; treasurer, Dave Hoffman, trustees, Richard Johnson, James Willyard.

**Grattan Township**  
Supervisor Robert Lamoreaux, Mynard E. Butts; clerk, Patrick Malone; treasurer, Lucille Slowinski; trustee, Sheridan Eugene Maiden.

**Lowell Township**  
Supervisor, write-in candidates, Beverly Spillane, Delmar Stuessy, Harry Yeiter; clerk, Carol Wells; treasurer, Virene Squires and Doris Boyd; trustees, Richard Huver; constable, James Hutson.

**Vergennes Township**  
Supervisor, Carl Kropf; clerk, Irene Osborne; treasurer, Elmer Wittenbach.

**HARRY YEITER—Write in candidate for Lowell Township Supervisor. Vote August 3rd. p36-37**

**County Officials**  
Prosecuting Attorney, H. David Soet, Donald A. Johnston, David G. Kamm, David H. Sawyer, Donald E. Zerial, Sheriff, Dem., Clare R. Earlywine, sr., Rep., Phillip J. Heffron, Robert B. Hill, Gary N. Meyers.

County clerk, register of deeds, Dem. Robert Blossfeld, Rep. Jack Bronkema, County treasurer, Dem., Theodore Vaughn, Rep. John L. Damstra.

Drain Commissioner, Dem., Frank Quinn, Rep., George Grasman, J. H. J. Haveman, County Surveyor, T. C. Williams, State Representatives, 90th District, Dem., Carl Redding, Rep. Martin Butz.

County Commissioner, 3rd District, Dem., Stephen J. DeKoster, Robert R. Jennings, Rep., Maureen F. Dreher, Donald E. Harrington, Jo Somerville and Arnold A. Wittenbach.

**VOTE AUG. 3 — RE-Elect Doris Boyd as Lowell Township Treasurer—Supported by Lowell Business & Professional Women's Club. c37**

## Showboat Opener Halted By Rain

The Lowell Showboat made its slow-run around Cattail Bend on the Flat River Monday night, brightly lighted, colorfully decorated and paced nicely to the tune of "Here Comes the Showboat," until it reached the east shore amphitheatre stage.

On many a previous year in its 44-year history, arrival of the replica of the old Mississippi sidewheeler was the best part of the show. No so Monday night, that is until it began to rain, and the show was halted.

The variety entertainment, a community project sponsored by various service clubs and made possible through hours of voluntary labor by Lowell townspeople, had enough amateur talent to give it the traditional homespun flavor, and four professional acts to lift it into the category of a great show.

As it started to rain at 9:45, Showboat viewers had thus far seen the opening presentation by the Showboat chorus and endmen, the professional act of Huntzicker and Harlan, and the amateur talent winner, The Hustlers.

Mr. Interlocutor Gordon Gould was quick to inform the enthusiastic crowd that the show was being called and ticket holders could exchange their seats for Thursday night's show.

Early Tuesday morning, Showboat officials revised this statement, saying "all tickets for the Monday night performance would be honored on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday nights."

Gould, in making the announcement to the crowd, stated that this is the first time the show has been called because of rain since Louis Armstrong appeared here in 1967.

Before the weatherman became uncooperative, however, the 1976 performance of the Lowell Showboat looked like it was going to be one of the best put-together productions in many years.

The endmen, Forrest Buck, Terry Fenech, Dick McNeal, Jerry Meredith and Joe Veazino have combined their vocal talents to come up with a different type of presentation, which blends their voices into good harmonious tunes, with the Showboat chorus, directed by Tom Hagan, singing along.

The trampoline duo of Huntzicker and Harlan were superior in their comedy performance. They kept the crowd's attention and their antics drew many laughs and applause.

If the second half of the 1976 Lowell Showboat is as good as the first half, ticket holders for the remaining performances are in for a real treat.

Also on the program will be the Singing Dolls, Comedian Frankie Fontaine and illusionist Kramer & Company.

Tickets for the remaining shows can be reserved by calling 897-9237.



Photo by Modern Photographics  
A lot of sparkling enthusiasm is demonstrated by the 1976 Lowell Showboat Choir under the direction of Saranac's Tom Hagan.



Photo by Modern Photographics  
The ever present endmen, ham it up to the audience's delight.

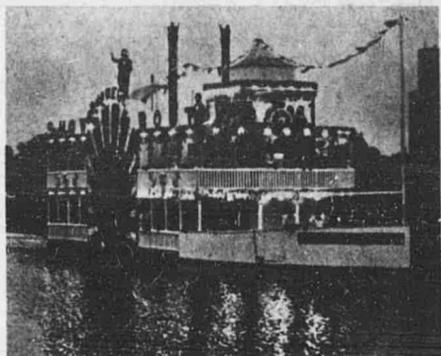


Photo by Modern Photographics  
The Lowell Showboat in all her glory as she approaches her dock at the amphitheatre.

### Annual Sweet School Reunion

The 45th annual Sweet School Reunion will be held on Sunday, August 1, at 1 p.m. in the Alto United Methodist Church.

All former students, teachers and friends are urged to attend. Please notify each one in your family.

A potluck dinner will be held, starting at 1 p.m. Bring your own table service and silverware.

**VOTE FOR DORIS BOYD — Treasurer of Lowell Township in the August 3rd Primary Election. p35-36**

"A fellow with a stable mind can show a lot of horse sense."

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Potpourri

A total of 584 students at Michigan State University achieved a 4.0 or "straight A" grade point average during spring term.

Of the honor students, two were from the Grand Valley

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Three hundred twenty-seven students at the College of Arts and Sciences of Grand Valley State College have been named to the CAS Dean's List at the end of spring term, 1976.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Steffens of Lowell have returned home from a three-week tour of the Netherlands. Accompanying the Steffens on the trip was their daughter, Mrs. John (Lois) Feurstein and daughter.

A surprise birthday party for Mrs. Anna Ellis was held recently at Schneider Manor in the lounge, with 45 relatives and friends in attendance.

The eighth biennial Behler family reunion was held recently at the Willis Hatch Centennial farm on Alden Nash Avenue, S.E. Sixty-nine members of the family were present.

All descendants of Adrian and Johanna Seney, who arrived in this country in 1849, are invited to a reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Russell Meyers of 2601 Shagbark Drive, S.E., Cascade, on Saturday, August 7, at three o'clock.

On Sunday, July 27, the Kerr family reunion was held at Fallsburg Park with sixty-five relatives present.

Debbie Condon, daughter of Mrs. Leona Condon of Lowell is spending four weeks in Lima, Peru, as an Exchange Student through the Lions of Mich. Youth Exchange Program sponsored by the Lowell Lions Club.

David VanHeizingen will be ordained into the ministry on Sunday, August 22.

The Eagle Scout award has been bestowed upon David Sturgis of Cascade. He accepted the award at the worship services Sunday, July 18, at the Cascade Christian Church.

The flowering plant found at the highest altitude is the "Stellaria decumbens," which grows 20,130 feet up in the Himalayas!

Letters to the Editor

Dear Friends, Thank you so much for your aid in advertising our Lowell Youth For Understanding projects. I am spending my summer just outside of Bern in Switzerland. The people here are very nice, but they belong to a totally different culture.

Many things are new to me, "an American." My "family" (as arranged through YFU) is well versed in English, and two of my sisters will be spending next year in the U.S.

We have done a bit of travelling since my arrival, including trips into Italy and Germany as well as much of Switzerland--this is possible because of the shortness of distances. I have made many new friends, and am making progress with the Bernese dialect.

I would like to thank you again for your support of our programs, for without such aid, trips like mine would not be possible, merci feo mau.

Sincerely, Suzanne Sinke

Dear Editor: I was outraged by your article listing the proposed budget costs by the Board of Education.

Something terrible has happened to the concept of a school system here at Lowell. The administration has somehow managed to turn everything around. They are hired to serve the taxpayer and strive to give them all the money they say they need.

Maybe it's time for us, the taxpayers of the district, to get together and take a long, hard look at the way things are being done and strive to achieve a system where the administration once again is a servant of the people instead of us and our representatives, the Board of Education serving the administration.

Herblet Assigned



Thirty-six Michigan State Police probationary troopers were sworn in by Col. George L. Halverson, department director, in brief ceremonies Friday afternoon, July 23, at the training academy, southwest of Lansing.

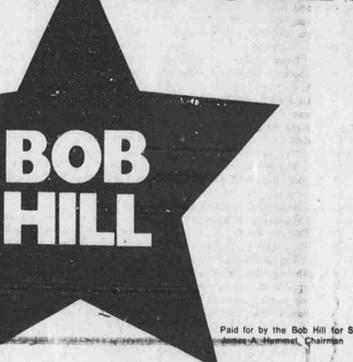
These officers have been assigned to posts effective Sunday, July 25, following completion of four weeks of special trooper training at the academy.

Prior to that instruction, they had completed an eight-week basic police training program at the academy with other law enforcement personnel.

The new probationary troopers first joined the department as service troopers (formerly called cadets) after four weeks of training in September of 1974.

Patrick D. Herblet of Lowell has received a class assignment in Mt. Pleasant. He currently had served at the State Police Post in Rockford.

ELECT AUG. 3 REPUBLICAN



SHERIFF

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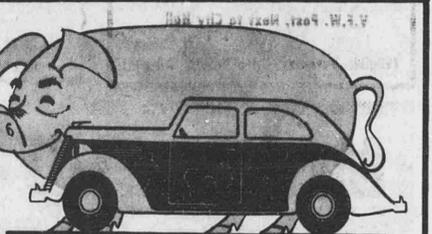


Ralph Roth, Fruit Grower, Vergennes Township. Marcia Caldwell, Housewife, Lowell. Charlie McCallum, Past Pres., Chamber of Commerce, Cascade Township.

Kent County Prosecutor Harold S. Sawyer wants to represent you in Congress. To do so, he needs your vote Aug. 3.



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Education Workshop To Teach Basic Economic Principles

A program that seeks to teach basic economic principles to area teachers so that they are able to use that knowledge in the classroom is being held in Ada, July 26 through August 6.

Dr. George Vredelvd, director of the Center for Economic Education at the University of Missouri, will instruct the workshop. He received an A.B. degree from Calvin College in 1964, an M.A.T. degree from Purdue in 1968, and an M.A. from Indiana University in 1970.

"Economic education is in the best interest of our nation. As our society becomes more complex, an increasing proportion of our national, local, and individual choices is based on economic concepts and economic reasoning."

"We need a concentrated and organized plan to educate our citizens in the basic economic facts of life," Vredelvd said. "By helping teachers understand economics, we have a manageable and effective medium in which to teach economics. Each teacher will reach 25 to 100 young people each year."

"In the workshop, we present basic economic concepts which

been held in previous years, it has never managed to raise over \$1,000 until this year. The Chamber's involvement means that 38 teachers will receive free tuition scholarships worth \$80 each, and will benefit by the economic knowledge gained. (The maximum capacity of this workshop is 38).

The two week workshop runs four hours per day at Amway Corporation's Center of Free Enterprise. Participants will receive either two or three credits (depending on whether the credits are earned through a semester or a term school) toward their masters degrees. The program hours are fully accredited.

Chamber of Commerce President Joseph J. Panella said, "The response from the business community has been excellent. It is the Chamber's hope that we can conduct two similar type sessions next year with, perhaps, 40 students each."

"The Chamber board of directors believes this type of workshop is extremely important. Extending economic education to the teachers so that they can, in turn, impart that knowledge of our free enterprise system to their students is a solid step in the right direction."

Bring a dish to pass and table service. There will be a white elephant auction and a birthday penny collection.

According to a recent Harris poll, American citizens are economically illiterate, and the extent of economic ignorance is widespread. Every week managers of millions of enterprises, farmers, union leaders, educators, governmental officials and individual citizens make billions of economic decisions that de-

Big Recreation Program in Lowell



With over 1,000 children and adults involved in the Lowell Area YMCA Ball Program there is a constant demand for more ball fields. To partially meet this need two additional ball fields were installed at the Middle School.

On hand for the first game played on these fields were: Y-Board Chairman Harold Kettner, Asst. Sch. Superintendent Don Kelly, and City Councilman Dean Collins. Also pictured are Mike Briggs, Jimmy Goggin, Sam Miller, Kyle Gildea, Ron Pawloski and Tim Thompson, members of the Alto Canaries and Lowell Sparrows.

The cooperative efforts of the City of Lowell, the Lowell Area Schools and the YMCA were combined to provide these needed recreational facilities.

Bring a dish to pass and table service. There will be a white elephant auction and a birthday penny collection.

Program chairman for the afternoon's activities will be Mrs. Peg Gerhart.

The Fair is looking for state-wide entries in three special events-- the Grand Opening Parade, the Queen of Queens Pageant and the Baton Twirling Competition.

The Grand Opening Parade, Thursday, August 26, is taking applications from groups wishing to enter floats or marching bands. The Fair is offering trophies and prizes of \$300, \$200 and \$100 for the best three entries in both categories.

VOTE-AUGUST 3RD Sandra L. Kowalczyk Bowne Township Clerk Sandy served 7 1/2 years as a Secretary with the Kent Intermediate School District. One year as Secretary of the Kent County Employees Association. Joined the staff of Western Michigan University Extension Office when it was opened in Grand Rapids. Then became an Executive Secretary for the Somerville Construction Company. Also she has worked with the Supervisor of Vergennes Township for five years. She resides in Bowne Township with her husband and two children.

LAST DAY TO PAY 1976 CITY OF LOWELL SUMMER TAXES WITHOUT PENALTY WILL BE SATURDAY, JULY 31st. BEGINNING AUGUST 1, A 1% PENALTY WILL BE ADDED CITY OFFICES ARE OPEN 8 A.M. TO 5 P.M. MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY PATRICIA L. SMITH CITY TREASURER

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8303 and it's Ladies Auxiliary Are Sponsoring A COLD PLATE LUNCH Saturday, July 31 12:00 Noon Till 6:00 p.m. \$2.50 per person Our Club Room Will Be Open To The Public. V.F.W. Post, Next to City Hall (Eligible Veterans, Bring Your d DD-214)

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**Vote - Aug. 3rd**  
**MAUREEN DREHER**  
 -Open Government  
 -Clean Environment  
 -Republican  
 For County Commissioner

**Graduates Cum Laude**

Michael Warren Potter, son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Potter of 4073 Segway S.E., Lowell, was awarded (cum laude) the Master of Theological Studies degree at Drew University's 100th Commencement on May 29th.

A 1974 graduate of Michigan State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in religious studies, he will be a graduate assistant in the religious studies department at the Pennsylvania State University next fall. He is a member of the International Bonhoeffer Society and the American Academy of Religion.

The program leading to the Master of Theological Studies (M.T.S.) degree is designed for those who desire theological study but do not intend to prepare for ordination. In order to serve a wide variety of individual needs and vocational interests, each student decides his or her own course of study in consultation with the director of the M.T.S. program. The degree is normally completed in two years of full-time work.

Founded in 1866, The Theological School is the oldest division of Drew University. It offers, in addition to the M.T.S., programs leading to the Master of Divinity, Master of Sacred Theology, and Doctor of Ministry degrees.

**GOLDEN SWINGERS TO HAVE PICNIC ELECT NEW CLUB OFFICERS**

The Golden Swingers, Lowell Senior Citizen's Club, will meet for a picnic at the Fallsburg Park Pavilion on Monday, August 9.

A potluck supper will begin promptly at six o'clock. Bring your table service, a dish to pass, and beverage.

There will be an election of officers for the ensuing year, and bingo. Bring white elephants for prizes.

All Swingers and their guests are welcome to attend.

**Minister's Breakfast Honors Holcomb**



Dr. and Mrs. Richard Greenwood hosted a Lowell Minister's Breakfast Friday, July 23, in honor of Rev. Warren Holcomb of the Lowell Church of the Nazarene.

On August 1 Rev. Holcomb will assume the pastorate of the Grand Lodge Church of the Nazarene.

During the 3 1/2 years Rev. Holcomb served in Lowell, the Nazarene Church completely paid off its debt. Rev. Holcomb served as president of the Lowell Ministerial Association, and as secretary of the Michigan District Church of the Nazarene.

Pictured, left to right, around the table, are ministers Dean Bailey, Warren Holcomb, Rich VanderKroft and Rich Greenwood.

**Zipcode—Use It And We All Save Money, Says Lowell Postmaster**

Tackling its financial burdens wherever it can, the U.S. Postal Service has turned to mail users to help it pare down the estimated \$25 million it costs per year to process mail that doesn't have a ZIP Code.

"Don't forget the ZIP Code" is the message the Postal Service is aiming at broadcast audiences and print media readers in a new national public service campaign.

Postmaster Charles Doyle said the money-saving potential

is great. "Even a one percent increase nationally in the use of ZIP Code would save the Postal Service \$4 million a year," he stressed.

"ZIP Code moves the mail better for everybody," Postmaster Doyle said. "The U.S. Postal Service handles almost 90 billion letters, packages, and other mail a year, which is about half of all the world's mail. It would be almost impossible to handle the volume without machines, and the machines depend on use of the ZIP Code."

Postmaster Doyle noted that mail without ZIP Codes has to be placed in separate bins for

**Open House To Commemorate**

**Fifty Anniversary**

An open house commemorating the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Peter (Elsie) Barsema will be held Sunday, August 8.

All of their friends, neighbors and relatives are cordially invited to help Peter and Elsie celebrate this important occasion between the hours of two and four o'clock in the afternoon in the recreation room at Schneider Manor.

Mr. and Mrs. Barsema, who reside at Schneider Manor, 725 Bowers Road, Lowell, Apartment C-4, have requested "no gifts, please."



It's easy to understand why a father worries about his son. He used to be 'The Old Times'.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Out-Of-Storage & Layaway Sale**

**Fri., July 30 & Sat., July 31**

**SAVE 20% To 80%**

**King of Discounts Warehouse**

9 a.m.-9 p.m.  
240 Front, S.W.  
Grand Rapids

**RE-ELECT**

**DORIS BOYD**

**Lowell Township Treasurer**

**VOTE AUGUST 3 PRIMARY**

Paid Pol. Ad

**City Of Lowell**

**GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION**

To the Qualified Electors of the City of Lowell:  
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That a General Primary Election will be held in the

City of Lowell  
 County of Kent  
 State of Michigan

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1976**

FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLACING IN NOMINATION CANDIDATES OF THE DEMOCRATIC AND REPUBLICAN PARTIES OR TO QUALIFY THE SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY, SOCIALIST LABOR PARTY, COMMUNIST LABOR PARTY, UNITED STATES LABOR PARTY, LIBERTARIAN PARTY TO HAVE ITS NAME, PARTY VIGNETTE, AND CANDIDATES ON THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT.

FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLACING IN NOMINATION BY ALL POLITICAL PARTIES PARTICIPATING THEREIN, CANDIDATES FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICES, VIZ:

CONGRESSIONAL: United States Senator, Representative in Congress.  
 LEGISLATIVE: Representative.

COUNTY: Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, County Clerk, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Drain Commissioner, Surveyor, County Commissioner and such other Officers as are elected at that time.

AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLACING IN NOMINATION, CANDIDATES PARTICIPATING IN A NON-PARTISAN PRIMARY ELECTION FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICES, VIZ:

JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS  
 CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,  
 PROBATE COURT JUDGE,  
 DISTRICT COURT JUDGE.

AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING Delegates to the County Conventions of the Democratic Party

THE POLLS of said election will be open at 7 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 8 o'clock p.m. of said day of election.

Nancy J. Wood, Acting City Clerk

c36-37

**AGRICULTURE IN ACTION**  
 MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU EDITORIAL

**DEATH AND TAXES**

The farmer is a pretty tough individual. He has the fortitude to "hang in there" after a crop failure and the courage to gamble on the weather, consumer demand, production costs and market prices. As long as they're on earth, farmers will continue to overcome odds and

obstacles to provide food and fiber for themselves and those of us involved in other pursuits.

It's after he leaves this earth that the farmer is concerned about—not where he will be going to collect his reward—but what will happen to the family farm into which he, his father and perhaps his grandfather before him, poured a lifetime of effort, hopes and dreams. It isn't that his son isn't interested in taking up the reins; like many young farmers, he has chosen, rather than just inherited, agriculture as his career. The problem lies in whether the son will be able to pay his father's "death duty" without having to sell all or at least part of the farm. Sadly, outdated estate tax laws are causing this heart-break to many farm families.

Infated land value is part of the problem. For example, farms purchased 50 years ago for \$15 to \$30 an acre may now be valued at \$350 to \$3,000 per acre. Inheritance taxes can range up to 70 percent, depending on the estate's value and the heirs must pay those within nine months, unless an exception is granted by IRS. Supposing a farmer dies and leaves his wife a

\$500,000 adjusted gross estate. The wife is eligible for a marital deduction of 50 percent and a standard deduction of \$60,000. For taxable purposes, the estate is now valued at \$190,000. The federal estate tax would be \$47,700.

Several years later, the wife dies leaving the farm to her only son. The farm is still valued at \$500,000 (perhaps more because of inflation), but this time there is no marital deduction to be claimed—only the \$60,000 standard deduction. So the taxable value is now \$440,000 and the inheritance tax would be \$125,800. Aside from a miracle, the son sees no way to come up with \$125,800... and so he sells the farm.

Farmers are working now to get legislation passed which would alleviate this kind of situation. Hopefully, their Congressmen will agree that action must be taken to end the "sell the farm to pay the taxes" tragedy.

**Brice Hescho Plans**

Making Service Career  
 Sgt. Brice Hescho, U.S.A. 602nd Organizational Maintenance Squadron has been stationed at Travis Air Force Base, California, for the past three years, as an Aircraft Maintenance Specialist.

Hescho, who graduated from Lowell Senior High School in 1970, plans on a career in the service. He is married to the former Debbie Piper, and they have one son, Eric, 22-months old.

The Heschos would like to hear from their friends in this area. Their current address is: Mr. and Mrs. Brice Hescho, 1244 Main Street, Travis Air Force Base, California 94535.

Hescho's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hescho and two sisters reside in Houston, Texas. His brother, Keith, lives near Iowa.

His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dell Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Witt of the Saranac area.

**Camp... A Fun Place**



Camp Optimist was a fun place for the children from Lowell YMCA to visit on Thursday, July 22. While there the group rode the horses, swam, and played in the wilderness area of Camp Optimist.

Part of the Y group posed for a picture at the camp entrance.

**Lowell Man Faces Homicide Charges**

A Lowell man has demanded examination in Kent County's 63rd District Court on charges of negligent homicide stemming from a fatal traffic accident.

Robert D. Dykhouse, 31, has been released on a \$2,000 personal recognizance bond by Judge Joseph B. White. He is accused of causing the death of Marsha Pratt, 21, of Lowell in a two-car head-on accident on M-21, west of Ada, last February 12.

Police said Dykhouse was driving west on M-21, on the wrong side of the centerline. Forest Hills Avenue, when he collided with the Pratt vehicle.

**Library's Hidden Treasures**

We stretch our arm out to all, to come and behold the wondrous treasures hidden within the one hundred year old walls of the Lowell Public Library.

Come into our world of romance, mystery, science fiction, westerns and books for young and old.

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"Another summer program coming up this week on Friday morning at 10:30. The story actors from K.C.L. will present a story theater program for elementary age children.

Open Hours: Mon., 12:5-3:30  
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**My Neighbors**



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**OPEN LETTER from**

**DAVID GERST**

Dear Friends,

In time of need you would not hesitate to ask a good neighbor for certain favors. We want you to feel the same toward us. So many things crowd in upon a family when death comes to the home that a neighborly, personal-interest service is often needed. We try to meet such needs, not merely in a professional way, but just as a kindly neighbor would do.

Sincerely,

*David Gerst*

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**Come to Church**  
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<p><b>Ada Christian Reformed Church</b>        7152 Bradford St., S. E. - 676-1498        REV. ANGUS M. MACLEOD</p> <p>Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.        Sunday School 11:00 a.m.        Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>First United Methodist Church of Lowell</b>        621 E. Main Street - 897-7514</p> <p>Worship Church School 8:30 a.m. &amp; 9:45 a.m.        9:45 a.m.</p> <p>"Yield Not To Temptation"</p> <p>DEAN I. BAILEY - MINISTER        Child Care During Both Services &amp; Church School</p>	<p><b>Eastmont Baptist Church</b>        5038 Cascade Road, S. E.</p> <p>REV. ROBERT MCCARTHY</p> <p>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.</p>
<p><b>Ada Community Reformed Church</b>        7227 Thorapole River Drive - 676-1832        REV. WILFRED FIET</p> <p>Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.        Sunday School 11:20 a.m.        Evening Worship 6:07 p.m.</p> <p>WE INVITE YOU TO MAKE THIS COMMUNITY CHURCH YOUR CHURCH HOME WELCOME TO ALL!</p>	<p><b>Church Of The Nazarene - Lowell</b>        201 North Washington Street        REV. W. E. HOLCOMB</p> <p>Church School 10:00 a.m.        Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.        Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.        Wednesday Mid-Week Service 7:00 p.m.        Int. Term, Adults        Nursery Provided - Come &amp; Worship With Us</p>	<p><b>First Baptist Church - Alto</b>        Corner of 60th Street &amp; Bazaar-R Avenue</p> <p>Sunday School 10:00 a.m.        Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.        Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.        Wednesday Prayer &amp; Bible Study 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>REV. GEORGE L. COON        Telephone - 868-3011 or 868-6912</p>
<p><b>The Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints</b>        3181 Bradford, N. E. - Grand Rapids - 2nd Ward        949-9170</p> <p>Sunday School 12:30 p.m.        Sacrament 3:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints</b>        8147 - 68th St., S. E., Alto, Mich.        (Near Whiteville Road) 868-6810</p> <p>ELDER IVAN STARK, PASTOR</p> <p>Church School 9:45 p.m.        Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.        Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.        Wednesday Fellowship Service 7:30 p.m.        Nursery Provided</p> <p>First Sunday of Each Month Communion 11:00 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Trinity Lutheran Church (LCA)</b>        2700 East Fulton Road</p> <p>Worship Service 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>PASTORS        RAYMOND A. HEINE &amp; JOHN D. BLAKEMORE</p> <p>Nursery Provided</p>
<p><b>Bethany Bible Church</b>        3900 East Fulton</p> <p>REV. RAYMOND E. BEFUS</p> <p>Morning Worship 9:50 a.m.        [Broadcast 10 a.m. WMAX 1480]        Sunday School 11:15 a.m.        Evening Service 6:00 p.m.        Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>First Baptist Church Lowell</b>        2275 West Main Street</p> <p>Sunday School 10:00 a.m.        Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.        Jr. High Youth Group 5:45 p.m.        Evening Service 7:00 p.m.        Senior High Youth Group 8:15 p.m.        Wednesday Family Training Hour 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>REV. EARL DECKER - 897-8835</p>	<p><b>Snow United Methodist Church</b>        3189 Snow Avenue, S. E.        (Between 28th and 36th Streets, East)</p> <p>REV. RYLAND PASSENER        891-1845 or 891-1383</p> <p>Worship Service 10:00 a.m.        Church School 11:05 p.m.</p> <p>"SERVING ADA, CASCADE &amp; VERGENNES"</p>
<p><b>First Congregational Church of Lowell</b>        (Member United Church of Christ)        North Hudson at Spring Street, Lowell        897-9309        DR. RICHARD GREENWOOD</p> <p>Morning Worship Church School 10 a.m.        10 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Calvary Christian Reformed Church of Lowell</b>        1151 West Main Street - 897-8841        REV. RICHARD VANDERKROFT</p> <p>Worship Service 10:00 a.m. &amp; 6:00 p.m.        Sunday School 11:15 a.m.</p> <p>Supervised Nursery During All Services</p>	<p><b>Vergennes United Methodist</b>        Corner of Parnell Avenue &amp; Bailey Drive</p> <p>Worship Service 10:00 a.m.        Coffee Hour 11:00 a.m.        Church School 11:15 a.m.</p> <p>THE REV. PHILIP CARPENTER</p> <p>"The Little White Church On The Corner"</p>

**Cherry Creek Service Awards**



Lippert addresses Cherry Creek employees.

Service awards to employees at the Cherry Creek Nursing Home were presented last Thursday afternoon for one to four years of service rendered.

The awards presentations were made by Lowell businessman Charles Lippert, who was also the afternoon's guest speaker.

Cherry Creek Nursing Home located at 350 N. Center Street, Lowell, is still moving lawns five days a week. He says he only takes care of 11 lawns now, but used to care for 46 lawns.

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**VOTE — HARRINGTON — AUG. 3**

**3RD DISTRICT KENT COUNTY COMMISSIONER- REP.**

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# The Bottle Bill, Good Or Bad?

**Editor's Note:** The following articles take opposing stands on the "bottle bill." The first is a re-print from the *Michigan Chronicle* and it is definitely against the banning of throw-away bottles and cans. The second is a rebuttal, written by Steve Harrington, director of the outdoor education program in the Lowell School District.

I feel that both articles make some very fine points, and I hope that you will read them both before you make your decision in this matter.

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"We're getting back into a big state issue prompted by one of those grabber newshoeders—"Throwaway Beer and Pop Can Petitions" sensationally successful," says Drive Leaders. Voters Almost Certainly Will Get Their Chance to Decide No. 2."

"We don't question the accuracy of the headline, nor the conclusion; almost certainly the "Ban the Bottle" bill will be on the ballot.

But we sure question the wisdom of the legislation, the accuracy of the information being circulated to promote it, and the emotionalism—misguided, however real—with which the proposal is being sold.

The governor himself has enlisted in the cause, being first to sign the petitions, now almost certain to be filled with the 212,000 legal signatures required in June.

These are inane petitions to pass a law that the Michigan Legislature has for years refused to pass.

And refused, we are here to say, for darned good reasons.

The law if enacted—the voters would have to approve it Nov. 2—would ban nonreturnable beverage containers. That sounds simple and sensible enough.

But the facts are it is neither. The issues involved in legislating nonreturnable beverage containers off the market—the pros and cons of such an action—are complex, not easily or generally understood.

That makes the petitions easy to sell. It is not difficult, considering the state's serious trash and litter problem—to understand why surveys indicate a solid majority of Michiganders think the throwaways should go.

Face it. There's a politician "plus" in a stand against litter and, were that all that is involved, the state's lawmakers would, as we said once earlier, "deserve to be caned and hidden" for resisting a move to clean up roadside litter.

But resist they have, and they have been resisting for several good reasons, at least one of which allies them—and this newspaper—with the Michigan and Muskegon County AFL-CIO, and with William Marshall, AFL-CIO state president, who made a personal point, several weeks ago in Lansing, of thanking the Chronicle for digging down to the "gut truth" of an oversold, emotional, environmental issue.

One would think, he said, that taking a political stand against cleaning up our streets and highways would make a lawmaker a prime candidate for a lockup in a rubber room.

Pure suicide. But lawmakers, a majority of them, do take this stand, and it didn't take an army of lobbyists to set them "straight."

Why resist a roadway cleanup?

Because removing litter is not—repeat NOT—all that is involved.

Before you sign that petition,

to vote on the ban, we want to be as sure as we can be that you are aware there are problems involved in this legislation, and that this newspaper, and the leaders of the Michigan AFL-CIO, a large number of legislators and even the state's own Resource Recovery System believe it to be a bad law, hurtful to the state economy and hurtful to you, the taxpayer-consumer.

If those petitions now being circulated by the thousands (most of whom don't even take the trouble to read them) were restricted to outlawing "top pops" we'd be in their fighting for it.

So where are we? We think we're pretty much where the AFL-CIO's Marshall says we are—faced with a "ban that seems to be a gamble, and a costly one. Jobs, consumer costs, added expense to the taxpayer—all these are being gambled on proposed legislation that offers no guarantee of setting the litter problem."

It would ban all nonreturnable beer and drink containers. It would NOT ban metal cans—but consumers would have to pay a 10-cent deposit on them, and storekeepers—every one from the mammoth chains to the corner "mom and pop" groceries would be forced to collect them, to return the deposits, and then have the cans sent to a recycling center to be made over into new containers.

So O.K. Would it work? Would it, as its backers say, really clean up Michigan's roadsides, save energy, create jobs and be an economic benefit to the state—which is to say, to the state's consumers.

Glowing claims were made for the initial law passed in Oregon. They were subsequently substantially modified.

The first-year cost to Oregonians in unclaimed bottle deposits reached nearly \$2.8 million.

Litter pickup costs by taxpayer-bankrolled highway crews climbed by scores of thousands, excise taxes dropped significantly because of decreased consumption, and one major cost was between \$6.4 and \$8.5 million in forced unproductive capital investment by the affected industries—much of which had to be passed along to the consumer.

Jobs? The official first-year Oregon study showed that jobs (some of them in neighboring states) lost in the first year of mandatory deposits came to \$2.4 million in wages.

We'll repeat what we said before—which is saying it like it is. A slob is a slob, and no bottle ban is going to change that.

We can think of something that might.

William Marshall says what we need is a better effort at enforcing existing litter laws (at \$100 a crack they are roundly ignored by police as unrealistic).

He is right and we would add that trying \$10 or \$25 dollar fines (in effect with good enforcement results in Washington and Minnesota) before we vote on the conventional non-returnables, deposit 10 cents on metal cans, add 5 cents on glass bottles, and kill a lot of good-paying jobs, makes a lot more sense.

The Michigan Resource Commission was not unanimous on the issue, but is instructive that its majority vote against the ban (in Marshall's words) "questioned its value as a means of energy saving, doubted it would guarantee less litter and were dubious as to its effect on the state's job picture."

Well, so are we. More than dubious.

What we have got here voters—and we are ready to argue this with anyone—is not a bottle problem, but a people problem. Bottles, dang it, don't litter, people litter!

We need enforceable—and enforced—laws against those packs of slack-jawed LITTERERS—not the litter.

We need tough police, troopers and deputies who will run down those slobs who throw ALL KINDS of trash, not just cans and bottles, alongside our roadsides and elsewhere.

Vote in that bottle ban, and no matter how you cut it, it's going

to cost you money, jobs and, at the very best, won't do more than a fraction of the job.

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Even if this is true, skilled workers will be rehired and considered that unskilled laborers are the highest unemployed group in Michigan. The bottle industries are turning toward automation in the production of throw-aways, causing a substantial decline in employment

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Studies in Oregon, where the bottle bill has been in effect, show that 90 percent of litter can be reduced on highways. Although we will have to tolerate the paper cups and cigarette butts which decompose on the roadside, they are far less dangerous than broken bottles and sharp metal edges.

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Consumers pay four times for throw-aways—for the container, its disposal, litter collection and the beverage. There are other costs.

The continual production of beverage containers is a continual drain on our limited raw materials. Much of what we pay when we buy a beverage in a

non-returnable container is for the privilege of discarding the container which constitutes 6 percent of the trash which is filling our landfills.

Energy used to produce containers is also costly. The energy equivalent used to produce throwaway containers is 115,000 barrels of oil per day.

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Official starter Charlie Doyle (hidden from view) starts the runners in the YMCA sponsored Road Run, held last Saturday in Fallburg.

Lowell Postmaster, Charles Doyle, acted as starter.

Finishing first was Craig Wittenbach in a time of 35:49 minutes. Finishing second and third with times of 36:28 and 36:58 were Mike Dey and Kevin Mulder.

Bob Scott and Bob Bewell finished fourth and fifth in the first division. Nancy Blett and Laura Dey finished first and second in the Women's Division. The Master's Division (age 40 & up) was won by William Curtis and George Vaughn.

Winners received Bicentennial Medals and every finisher received a souvenir ribbon.

A number of volunteers assisted in timing and scoring the race. Boy Scouts of Lowell Troop 102 were located along the course, passing out cups of Kool-Aid and directing the runners.

Starting at the Fallburg Park Pavilion, the race ran a six mile course over a wooded area of gravel roads and rolling hills.

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### ROAD CONSTRUCTION

The following roads are scheduled for construction in 1977. We solicit your comments and will try to answer your questions concerning any of these (or any other) projects.

Visit the Kent County Road Commission Feedback Unit, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday - Saturday.

#### CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

August 3-August 7: Parnell Avenue from Foreman St. to M-21

August 10-August 14: Five Mile Road from Murray Lake Avenue, east one (1) mile

#### TRAILER LOCATION

August 3-August 7: Shoemaker Roadside Park on M-21, east of Ada

August 10-August 14: Bedaki Drive at Five Mile Road. c57-39

### Coming Events

**SUN., AUG 1:** Sweet School Reunion, 1 p.m., at the Alto United Methodist Church, Sunday, August 1. Potluck, bring table service, etc. All former students, teachers and friends urged to attend.

#### Vote - Aug. 3rd

**MAUREEN DREHER**  
-Open Government  
-Clean Environment  
-Republican  
For County Commissioner

**TUES., AUG. 3:** The annual meeting of the Alton Cemetery Association will be held Tuesday evening, August 3, at 8 o'clock at the Alton Church.

**TUES., AUG. 3:** The Lowell Women's Bowling Association meeting will be held Tuesday, August 3 at 7 o'clock at the American Legion Bowling Lanes' meeting room. All interested women bowlers are urged to attend.

**TUES., AUG. 3:** The annual meeting of the Alton Church Society will be held Tuesday, August 3, at 8 p.m. at the Alton Church.

**WED., AUG. 4:** The Masonic & OES Area Picnic will be held at the Fallsburg Park Pavilion on Wednesday, August 4. Potluck supper at 6 p.m. Bring own service and a dish to pass. Coffee and punch will be furnished. Bingo following supper.

**THURS., AUG. 5:** Vergennes Cooperative Club will meet on Thursday, August 5, at 12:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Edna Overway for a potluck picnic. Bring dish to pass and own table service.

**MON., AUG. 9:** The Golden Swingers will meet for a picnic at the Fallsburg Park Pavilion on Monday, August 9. Potluck supper promptly at six o'clock. Bring service, dish to pass and beverage.

**FRI., AUG. 13:** The Christian Women's Club of Grand Rapids will hold a "Teen... Brunch (9:30-11:30 a.m.) or Luncheon (1-3 p.m.) at Bylisma's Restaurant, East, Friday, August 13. Special feature, Skin Care By Suzanne; music, Dave Mixon; speaker Miss Michigan National Teenager '75, Marjorie Vandermey.

**WED., AUG. 25:** GO WITH US: to Amish Acres Wednesday, August 25. With a visit to Shippawana. Only \$20. Dinner included. Call or write Lowell Senior Center for reservations, 214 E. Main St., Ph. 897-5250.



The following are standings of games played thru Sunday, July 25th.

#### Sportsman's Fast-Pitch Softball (First Half)

W	L
Carpenters	5 2
Tri-State Carpeting	5 3
Harold Zeigler Ford	5 3
Saranac Brand Foods	4 3
Riverview	4 3
Lowell Moose	4 3
St. Mary's Miriam	3 4
Lowell Calvary Church	3 5
Lowell Engineering Corp.	0 7

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Lowell Engineering Corp.	1 4

#### Sportsman's Slow-Pitch Softball

Bristol All-Stars	8 1
Beachums Furniture	7 2
Atwood Super Stars	6 3
U. M. Youth "Bombers"	6 3
Wash King	6 3
R.L. Jaycees	4 5
U. M. "Ray's Rockets"	4 5
Alto Lions Club	2 7
Sortex Corporation	2 7
Lowell Moose	0 9

#### Women's Slow-Pitch Softball

Lowell High School Girls	7 2
Alto "L's" Angels	6 3
Lowell Eng. Sandbaggers	5 3
Atwood	5 4
U. M. "Adam's Ribs"	3 7
Riverview	1 8

#### Pony League

Hastings Gold Nuggets	10 0
Middleville Geukes Mart.	8 2
Hastings Green Hornets	7 3
Middleville Local 1002	6 4
Freepoot Yoders Service	6 4
Lowell Vets	5 5
Caledonia Tigers	5 5
Lowell Reds	3 7
Lowell Indians	3 7
Hastings Red Barons	2 8
Hastings Blue Devils	0 10

#### Major Little League

Lowell Tigers	8 2
Lowell Arrows	7 3
Lowell Cardinals	6 4
Lowell Astros	4 6
Lowell Giants	4 6
Clarksville Mets	1 9

Clarksville Colts	9 0
Lowell Giants	6 3
Lowell Tigers	5 4
Alto Cubs	4 5
Lowell Cardinals	2 6
Lowell Dodgers	0 8

#### Minor Little League

Lowell Blue Bombers	7 1
Lowell All-Stars	7 2
Lowell Liberty Belles	4 4
Alto Half-Pints	2 7
Clarksville Angels	1 7

#### 7, 8, & 9 Girl's Softball

10, 11, & 12 Girl's Softball	
Parrell Pro's	6 1
Lowell Hitters	5 3
Lowell Grand Slammers	4 4
Alto Champs	0 7

#### Boy's Cadet Softball

Alto Blackbirds	7 0
Lowell Crows	5 2
Lowell Orioles	5 2
Clarksville Thunderbirds	5 2
Lowell Sparrows	5 2
Lowell Robins	2 4
Lowell Cardinals	1 6
Lowell Eagles	1 6
Alto Canaries	0 7



feathers, dark back, white underside and a band around its neck.

The brilliant red flashing through the forest with black wings is probably hot a cardinal. The scarlet tanager is a fruit-eating bird of bright color. In the summer, the male will be bright red and the female will be a bright yellow.

The brown thrasher is a bird of the brush often seen along the road as you drive by. This bird has a long tail and a brown robin-size body. The brown thrasher will copy the songs of other birds and may fool even the most avid bird watcher.

Although not often seen, but with all its year long, are the owls. On a cool night you may hear the hoot-hoot of the great horned owl. The great horned owl has feathers that stick up from its head which give him his name long ago. A loud blood-curdling screech is probably the call of the screech owl. Although the screech owl makes several calls he is most famous for the scream which will cause experienced outdoorsmen to have second thoughts about spending the night outside, alone.

Of all the summer bird songs you hear, none will be so pleasing as that of the indigo bunting. This bird is as brightly colored as his song is pleasant. It is often found in the brush along the road or in the forest. Unfortunately the bunting will lose its blue about mid-summer and change as it molts, into the garb of a sparrow.

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Steve Harrington  
New Buds On  
The Family Tree

A new baby daughter was born July 15, 1976, to Linda and Jon Bruinekool of 36th Street in Ada. She weighed seven lbs., 6 oz., and was named Amy Beth. She has two sisters, Sara and Joni. Her grandparents are Betty and Don Everling, Thornapple Pines in Cascade and Augusta Bruinekool of Ada.

Amy's great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. Plooster of Lowell and Mr. and Mrs. R. Everling of Byron Center, formerly of Lowell.

A baby boy was born on Wednesday, July 14, to Mr. and Mrs. Ray (Priscilla) Colby, at Bickett Hospital in Grand Rapids.

The new arrival has been named Samuel Ray.

A baby boy, Terry Lawrence, was born July 20 at Butterworth Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Terry Horsley of Key Heights.

The proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence A. Chesbro and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Horsley; great-grandparent, L. E. Chesbro.

**Forest Hills Class Of '66 To Hold Reunion**  
A 10 year reunion for Forest Hills High School class of 1966 will be held Saturday, August 28, from 5-10 p.m. A potluck picnic is planned at Fallsburg Park, north of Lowell.

There is a \$2.50 cost per adult and reservations are required. Class members, parents of members residing locally and other interested people: please call Triss Sherwood Cutler, 874-8085 on Candy Woodfield Bigelow, 874-8191 for information and reservations.

Or, you may write Triss at 9219-10 Mile Road, N.E. Rockford, MI. 49341.

Hard as nails, tough as bricks, we're the class of '66!"

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**Bowne Township GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION**

To the Qualified Electors of the Township of Bowne: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That a General Primary Election will be held in the

Township of Bowne County of Kent State of Michigan

ON **TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1976**

FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLACING IN NOMINATION CANDIDATES OF THE DEMOCRATIC AND REPUBLICAN PARTIES OR TO QUALIFY THE SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY, SOCIALIST LABOR PARTY, COMMUNIST LABOR PARTY, UNITED STATES LABOR PARTY, LIBERTARIAN PARTY TO HAVE ITS NAME, PARTY VIGNETTE, AND CANDIDATES ON THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT.

FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLACING IN NOMINATION BY ALL POLITICAL PARTIES PARTICIPATING THEREIN, CANDIDATES FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICES, VIZ:

CONGRESSIONAL United States Senator, Representative in Congress, COUNTY Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, County Clerk, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Drain Commissioner, Surveyor, County Commissioner and such other OFFICERS as are elected at that time.

AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLACING IN NOMINATION CANDIDATES PARTICIPATING IN A NON-PARTISAN PRIMARY ELECTION FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICES, VIZ:

JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE, PROBATE COURT JUDGE, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING Delegates to the County Convention of the Democratic Party

THE POLLS of said election will be open at 7 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 8 o'clock p.m. of said day of election.

Evelyn Smith, Bowne Township Clerk

**Dennis McMahon New Rotary Club President**

Newly installed president of the Lowell Rotary Club, Dennis McMahon, presided at the July 21 noon meeting.

Assisting in the meeting was Father Richard Lawie (grace before the meal); Bruce Walter and David Coons, singing; Wendell Christoff, Sergeant-at-Arms; and Rommie Moore, Secretary.

The club voted to dispense with their regular noon meeting on August 4, in order to accept Russ Davis' invitation to meet that evening at his home for a dinner meeting for Rotarians, wives and guests.

Jim Flickinger introduced the day's speaker Lowell City Manager, Ray Quada. Mr. Quada gave an interesting account of the good and positive aspects of living in Lowell and the challenges facing our city.

Quada said that our city government and city employees are on hand to serve the people and that citizens should feel welcome to come to see him at any time.

Rotary guests were: Paul Bonehimer, Mike Doyle, Sharon Doyle, George Israel, Dell Sweerts, and Steven Wittenbach.

**Miller Gets VFW National Appointment**

Olen E. Miller, Jr., of 1015 Bowers Road, Lowell, Flat River V.F.W. Post #303, has been appointed by National Commander-in-Chief Thomas C. Walker, of New London, Conn. to serve as a National Aide-Camp for 1976.

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**Vander Veen Vets To Override Veto**

Michigan's Fifth Congressional District would receive about \$1.5 million under the public works bill approved today in the House, Congressman Richard F. VanderVeen said.

The fifth district representative voted to override President Gerald Ford's veto of the \$3.9 billion Public Works Employment Act. The vote in the House was 310 to 96. The Senate approved the veto override Wednesday.

"The estimated \$1.5 million that will go to units of government in the fifth district will allow them to preserve essential services and jobs," VanderVeen said.

"High unemployment, which reached 10.1 percent in Michigan last month, has resulted in reduced tax revenues for municipalities. This will mean about \$1 million to allow Grand Rapids to maintain essential services," he said.

The bill also provides \$2 billion for public works construction projects that will mean jobs in the construction industry which has an unemployment rate of about 17 percent nationally.

"In the fifth district it will mean the public works construction or renovation projects can begin 90 days after the grant is approved," VanderVeen said.

"Congress included the cost of the bill in approving its 1977 budget resolution. The \$3.9 billion bill can't be termed inflationary because it amounts to less than one percent of the predicted gross national product for 1977," he observed.

**COFFEE PRICES UP**  
WHITE PLAINS, N.Y.—General Foods Corporation has hiked the price of ground and instant coffees. Wholesale costs continue to rise, they said, and the increase will be passed on to consumers.

**SHOWBOAT WHISTLE TOOTS**

The Showboat Garden Club, of Lowell, is responsible for the beautiful hanging basket of flowers and the hanging begonias decorating the Showboat ticket booth on East Main Street.

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Obituaries

THOMPSON SOUTHWELL
Thompson H. Southwell, sr., aged 73, of Grand Rapids passed away Friday, July 23, at his home.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Lowell Planning Commission-Citizens Advisory Committee will conduct a Public Hearing on August 30, 1976 for the purpose of considering amendments to Article II of Chapter 3 1/2 of the Lowell City Code of Ordinances...

Township of Lowell GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION

To the Qualified Electors of the Township of Lowell: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That a General Primary Election will be held in the Township of Lowell County of Kent State of Michigan ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1976

CECIL MCNEAL
Cecil W. McNeal, 71, of Cedar Springs passed away Monday, July 19, 1976.

HARRY SLAGER
Harry Slager, 60, of 1320 Patterson Avenue, S.E. passed away at Blodgett Hospital Tuesday afternoon, July 20.

LEONA PACKARD
Leona A. Packard, aged 51, of 1018 Riverside Drive, Lowell, passed away Tuesday, July 20, following a long illness.

BRANDEE DESOTTELL
Brandee Marie Desotell, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Desotell of Lowell passed away Thursday, July 22. She was 2 months, 3 days old.

Vergennes Township GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION

To the Qualified Electors of the Township of Vergennes: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That a General Primary Election will be held in the Township of Vergennes County of Kent State of Michigan ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1976

Laura Kerekes
Mrs. Laura C. Kerekes, of 14093 East Fulton Road, Lowell, passed away Wednesday, July 21, following a lingering illness. She was 83-years-old.

Bernard McGovern
Bernard McGovern, 45, owner of McGovern's Cycle Sales in Grand Rapids drowned last Thursday afternoon, July 22, while swimming at Port Sheldon in an area known as the 'hot spot.'

Merritt Wisman
Merritt Wisman, sr., aged 78, of Lowell passed away Thursday morning, July 22, at his home, 13256-32nd Street, S.E.

Joseph Rodgers
Joseph O. Rodgers, 92, of Caledonia passed away Sunday evening, July 25, 1976 in the Kent Community Hospital in Grand Rapids.

Grattan Township GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION

To the Qualified Electors of the Township of Grattan: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That a General Primary Election will be held in the Township of Grattan County of Kent State of Michigan ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1976

IDA JOHNSON
Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell, for Mrs. Ida E. Johnson.

William Warning
William A. Warning, 68, of Grand Rapids, passed away Sunday, July 25, 1976, at the Kent Community Hospital following a lingering illness.

HARRY VANDER VEEN
Harry H. VanderVeen, aged 62, of 10644 Bluewater Highway, Lowell, passed away Sunday afternoon, July 25, 1976.

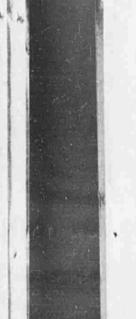
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Joseph O. Rodgers, 92, of Caledonia passed away Sunday evening, July 25, 1976 in the Kent Community Hospital in Grand Rapids.

Miss Vici Lynn Boersma
Miss Vici Lynn Boersma and Matthew R. Bissett were united in marriage on Saturday, July 10, at the home of the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bissett of Ada.

BOBCAT OPEN SEASONS FOR 1976-1977

The Natural Resources Commission, at its meeting on June 11, 1976, under authority of Secs. 1, 2 and 3 of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended, and Chapter 5, Sec. 1, Act 286, P.A. 1929, as amended, established rules for the taking of bobcats in the winter and spring of 1976-1977, as follows:

Winning Writer



Sue Thaler Jentoft of Marquette, formerly of Lowell, was the third place winner in annual writing competition sponsored by Panax Corp. Entries included those from the company's seven daily and 30 weekly newspapers in several states.

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**Kid's Summer Parks Program Extended**

Starting July 26 through August 26, 1976, the second session of the Kent Community Action Program (East Kent Community Center) Summer Parks Program will take place at the Boy Scout Cabin on North Washington Street, Lowell.

The program will be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For more information call Ellen Fessenden at 897-8441 or Karen Charon at 897-8485.

**Two Day Art Fair In Lowell**

The Black Pearl Art Galleries of East Lansing will hold a two-day Art Fair in Lowell during Showboat Week, in co-sponsorship with the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce and the merchants of Lowell.

The Art Fair will be held on Friday and Saturday, July 30 and 31, in downtown Lowell, along Main Street, between 12 o'clock noon and 9 p.m. Information will be available to viewers directly across from the Showboat Ticket office on East Main Street, beginning July 29.

To create a unique combination of the performing and visual arts, the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce and the Black Pearl Art Galleries have planned the Art Fair to coordinate with the evening Showboat.

All interested persons are cordially invited to view this

small but variety packed art show.

Approximately 30 artists from all over Michigan will be present. Exhibits available for public viewing will include a variety of painting styles and medias, sculptures, jewelry, leather and woodworking.

A special attraction will be Barbara Matheson, an eleven-year-old portrait artists.

Judging of the exhibits will take place on Saturday, July 31, with Fred Myers, director of the Grand Rapids Art Museum, heading up the panel of judges.

While tickets for the evening performances of the 44th annual Lowell Showboat may be purchased at the ticket office, there is no admission charge for the art fair.

**Special Issue!**

Incorporated into the August 12th edition of the Grand Valley Ledger will be a special "bicentennial" section, covering the histories of our coverage areas, in written and pictorial forms.

Any clubs, organizations or individuals wishing to make a historical contribution to the edition may do so prior to Friday, July 30.

Club histories, family pictures, school pictures, etc., are

needed to make this issue complete. All items will be returned. If you have any further questions, call 'SAM' at 897-9261.

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**Cherry Creek At South 80**



Outing at the South 80.

Last Wednesday found 17 residents of Cherry Creek Nursing Home trodding paths that have been well-worn by many small feet. The group had a hotdog roast over open fires at the South 80, a nature study area for Lowell Area Schools.

Organized by Fran Mendez, the group of residents and volunteers enjoyed a picnic, sing-a-long and some took a short nature walk with Steve Harrington, School Naturalist.

Summer wildflowers, a grassy carpet, and a cool summer evening combined to provide an enjoyable time for all.

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