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Along Main Street
Art Backstrom a 1962 graduate of Lowell High School, has joined the sales staff of the Reedy Real Estate firm on West Main Street. Backstrom and his wife, Carol, and two children have made their home in Lowell for the past 8 1/2 years. They reside at 926 North Washington Street.

Anyone interested in attending a Show Preview of the tenth annual Detroit Camper and Travel Trailer Show Friday, February 11, 6 to 10 p.m. at the Detroit Artillery Armory, can pick up four complimentary tickets at the Grand Valley Ledger office, 105 North Boardway Street, or call 897-9261 and reserve them. They will be given away on a first come basis.

Lowell Rotary Club's annual "Farmer's Day" program will be held Wednesday, February 16, at 12 o'clock noon at the First United Methodist Church of Lowell. All area farmers are cordially invited to attend. The event is co-sponsored by the King Milling Company and the State Savings Bank of Lowell. Representatives of the Kent County Extension Service will have charge of the program presentation.

A pre-basketball game supper will be served this Friday, February 4, at the Lowell High School cafeteria by the Youth For Understanding exchange students. Chili, barbecues, hot dogs, hot ham and cheese, tacos and homemade pies will be served from 4:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. This fund raising event is open to the public.

Taxpayers of the City of Lowell have until five o'clock on Monday, February 14, to pay their 1976 winter taxes without penalty. "After that date," City Treasurer Patricia Smith reveals, "a four percent penalty will be added."

From now until March 1, every passenger car and pickup (under 5,000 pounds), new and used, purchased from Jackson Motor Sales at 930 West Main Street, will include your 1977 license plates free. Daily through February 16, Jacksons will be open 8 a.m. until 9 p.m.; Saturdays until 3 p.m. This annual sale is in its 21st year.

A Pre-school Story Hour begins Tuesday, February 8, from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at the Bushnell School Kiva Room. Minimum age is 4 years. For information call the Lowell Community Education office at 897-8434.

Lowell High School has announced the rescheduled dates for their wrestling matches, which were cancelled last week. Lowell will be wrestling Forest Hills Northern, there, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 8. On Thursday, February 10 Lowell will wrestle Kenowa Hills, here. The Conference Tournament will be in Lowell on Saturday, February 5.

Woman Seriously Injured



Photo By Modern Photographics

Miss Teresa Ann Timpson was seriously injured last Thursday morning when her car hit an icy spot on M-21, west of Cumberland Avenue, slid sideways, hit a guard rail, flipped in the air and landed upside down in a culvert. Ms. Timpson of 3025 Segun Avenue, Lowell, sustained two broken legs and head injuries and is still in the intensive care unit at Butterworth Hospital.

Lowell Man Will Discuss Small Fruits

How many people would enjoy having a small home fruit garden where they can go out and pick fruit when it is ripe and at its lucious best? Two highly qualified men will be at the Chadwick Garden Center of the Grand Rapids Public Museum at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 22, to discuss planting "Dwarf Fruit Trees and Small Fruits" in a home garden.

John Gilmore, Superintendent of the Graham Horticultural Experiment Station will speak on "Dwarf Fruit Trees." Highlights of his talk will include the selection of trees and their expected size; what kind of rootstock it should be grown on to retain a dwarf size; and what makes it dwarf in the first place. If the tree does not remain dwarf, he will relate specific cultural practices which can be followed to achieve the proper size.



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A mallard duck shakes off the cold while swimming in the Flat River. The water below the dam here in Lowell is abounding with a variety of ducks enjoying the open water and some grain from nearby King Milling Company.

I would guess that recent temperatures have many of these ducks wondering why they didn't head south. On the other hand, maybe they knew Miami was going to experience freezing temperatures and saved themselves the trouble of making that long flight.

Dismiss Skier's Parking Fines

Controversial parking tickets given to cross-country skiers in the Cannonsburg State Game Area recently, have been nullified. The Kent County Sheriff's Department meeting with representatives of the Kent County Road Commission and the Michigan State Police, last week, worked out the solution, enabling skiers to now park along certain stretches of Three and Four Mile Roads, in the game area.

Certain roadway areas will be posted "no parking," and those who do not heed the restrictions in the future will get a ticket and their cars will be impounded.

Until the signs have been adequately posted in the restricted areas, skiers are asked to park on the south side, pulling off the road as far as possible, avoiding hills and curves.

Youth Basketball Action Has Started

The second season of the Lowell Youth Basketball has begun!! The LYB is designed to be a values education program first and a basketball league second.

The emphasis is not on beating other teams, although competition is a natural part of the LYB. Rather the emphasis is on involving both girls and boys in a skills program that enables them to become more aware of, and act upon their own values systems.

Now, as our second season of basketball games is beginning, over 100 third, fourth and fifth grade youths are learning that it is possible to play basketball, have a good time and practice good sportsmanship.

Everyone is invited to join the fun and be a part of this exciting YMCA program. For more information please call the Lowell YMCA at 897-7375.

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Weather In A Word' "Nasty"

Residents, especially those residing in the rural area, are still digging themselves out following the wind-whipped blizzard which swept through this area last week.

The storm made its arrival late Wednesday evening and continued to shower this area with snow and high winds (sometimes up to 40 miles an hour) until early Saturday.

Most of the rural secondary roads running north and south were drifted shut; factories, schools and businesses were forced closed, and residents found themselves pinned in by ole man winter.

Last Friday "all" schools in Kent County were closed for the first time in many years; Grand Rapids Junior College closed for the first time since its inception in 1914.

County road crews have been working around the clock to open roadways... emergency services have been provided to those stranded... snowmobile patrols have played a valuable part in reaching residents who needed groceries, medicine, etc., and several babies were born at home.

Accompanying the blizzard were sub-zero temperatures which added to the miseries of those hardest hit by the storm.

The storm, which brought much of the East and Midwest states to a standstill has caused over 36 weather related deaths in the eight states hardest hit by the storm. To-date, Pennsylvania and New York have been declared national disaster areas.

Because of the blowing, drifting snow which made visibility impossible, chain reaction accidents on the roadways were so frequent that area law enforcement agencies and wrecker services couldn't keep up with the pace being set. To-date, no count has been made of the persons hospitalized, but one can guess that it is enormous.

In and around the Lowell area, residents have learned a valuable lesson in being prepared and stocking up on essential,

should such a storm decide to make a repeat performance. Some have said this is the worst storm which has hit this area since 1967... while others are saying it's the worst ever... but which ever... it's one which will take a long time to forget.



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Though picturesque, recent snow, cold and driving winds have combined to create many problems for area residents. Dead batteries, frozen pipes, and high fuel bills are just a few things that tend to dampen one's spirit and bring about hopes for an early spring.

DINING OUT... Try Paul's Family Showboat Restaurant, 700 E. Main, Lowell. 897

STARTING JAN. 31-Vanity Hair Fashions will be closed on Monday. Phone 897-7506.c10-12

Improvement Will Eliminate Blind Corner



Michigan Street NE, at left, will start angling to the right, cross Greenwich Avenue, above right, and continue southeasterly to the new East Beltline. This relocation will eliminate the blind corner, right photo, caused by the "solid" railing of the East Beltline overpass over railroad tracks. A new five-lane overpass will replace the present one.

Dave Barnes

Major highway construction in the East Beltline-M-21 area will increase greatly the coming warm weather season.

Bids will be opened Feb. 16 in Lansing for widening part of the East Beltline NE and M-21, building a new railroad overpass and relocating the east end of Michigan St. NE, reports Charles K. Brooks, district highway engineer for the Michigan Department of Highways and Transportation.

The two road sections will be four-lane, divided highways. Construction of the entire project, estimated at \$2,080,000, is scheduled to start in the spring. The section of M-21 between

the East Beltline and Int. 96, a short distance, will connect with the \$4,067,785, M-21 improvement from Int. 96 east to Ada, Brooks says. This four-lane, divided project was started late last summer, stopped for the winter and will resume in the spring.

When these two highway improvements are completed, traffic bound for Ada and Lowell and westbound traffic over the same route will move more expeditiously and safely than now, Brooks observes.

A major phase of the expansion of the Beltline will be the relocation of the east end of Michigan St. at the Beltline. It

will veer southeasterly away from the Int. 96 interchange, he states.

Michigan St. will begin angling to the southeast from 200 feet west of Greenwich Ave. and will continue for about 800 feet where it will deadend at the Beltline. The new deadend will be 200 feet south of the present end of Michigan St., Brooks adds.

South of the present end of Michigan St., Brooks adds, "This improvement will eliminate the blind corner caused by the 'solid' railing of the overpass over the Grand Trunk Western Railroad tracks," he states.

The present four-lane span over the railroad tracks will be replaced with a new, five-lane bridge that will connect with the five lanes of the interchange, and the new Beltline section will widen to five lanes to connect with the widened overpass.

Major construction on the East Beltline SE will take place in 1978.

Bids for widening the Beltline to four lanes from M-21 south to Burton St. will be opened in June, 1978, not in February, 1978, due to redesigning part of the stretch and problems in acquiring the rights-of-way, says Brooks. Estimate of the project is \$3,715,000.

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Letters to the Editor

A Nickel Cup

Dear Sirs: We are sending you an interesting article from our Tampa, Florida paper. You may wish to use it in your paper. We have had coffee here many times and could hardly believe it. We love your news and it brings us close to our home there, which we had for 27 years. Thinking of you always. John & Peg Gerhart

price Alfred O. Keller set when he began the business 23 years ago. And the price won't change, says Kiefer, although retail coffee prices are rapidly increasing. That's five cents for every cup and a refill. But the novelty of buying a nickel cup of coffee is, and always has been, a drawing card for the drugstore on 7th Street, Kiefer says. Mrs. Hayes says coffee prices are rising every week. And, although Kiefer says he loses money on each cup, he also gets a lot of free advertising from people telling their friends about the nickel cup. Office workers and businessmen drop in & visit while having coffee, says Mrs. Hayes, adding that during the morning people are usually waiting for a seat at the 30-person-capacity fountain. They do all their business over the fountain and the nickel cup of coffee. It's the same old story, says Kiefer. The price of coffee is in keeping with the small restaurant, an old-fashioned theme. Advertisements from old magazines hang on the walls and tout "Heinz Cream of Tomato Soup, Made with Real Cream" and "nutraceuticals."

Frederick E. Althaus, Jr.

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regular customers have switched to orange juice and tea in protest of increasing coffee prices. "We'll hold as long as we can," Mrs. Huber says. In New Port Richey, Jimmy Gallo, owner of Jimmy's Boulevard Restaurant on South Boulevard, says he increased the price of a cup of coffee from 20 cents to a quarter about two weeks ago. He notes the price of coffee has almost doubled in the past year and a half, "but we aren't getting double."

Most people are conscious of the higher costs and are conservative in their requests for refills, he says. Some most customers drinking about two cups. The Restaurant is a place for townfolk to meet over a cup of coffee in the morning. Tourists also drop in after hearing about the nickel cup of coffee, Mrs. Pinkham says. The price won't increase either, even though her coffee supplier has predicted she soon will have to pay more than \$3.90 a pound for Church Hill Coffee, she says. But she adds that keeping the price stable is her way of quietly protesting the coffee price fluctuations. Mrs. Pinkham now pays \$2.66 a pound. At Neukom's Drugstore in downtown Zephyrhills, a cup of coffee costs 15 cents, and the same price for each refill, says fountain manager Marjorie Fisher. So far, she says, she doesn't have plans to increase the price. But, she notes that some of her

stupid mouth and stop condemning people who want to stop this kind of thinking? If you don't, I will see you dead in a ditch and hang your "dog tag" on a stick. Take your "low blow" and live or die by it. I will tell your loved ones, "Ain't that tough?" Good Luck. Ken Sandy

Editor: In response to Mr. Sandy's letter to the editor, I would first like to ask his forgiveness, as I found it necessary as editor of this newspaper to edit four letter words and some of the more graphic descriptions of a dead body from his letter. I would like to have left them in, mainly because I felt that they added to the ridiculousness of the entire letter. I hope Mr. Sandy will not be offended by a "brainwashed" (I am a life member of the V.F.W.) who takes a few shots at his letter. The letter starts out by supporting President Carter's amnesty program and ends with a prophecy that if we "brainwashed cattle" don't change our way of thinking, we will all end up dead in a ditch. Mr. Sandy's letter covers a lot of ground and unfortunately I do not have the time to shoot it full of the holes that it deserves. Mr. Sandy refers to the good nation's battle, all over the world. You used the word "stupid," so I will throw it back to you. Maybe you are the one who is "stupid." You talk like a brainwashed bunch of cattle. Why were we fighting wars around the world? If we had been fighting at home, you would have a point, but "around the world" was not our fight, but for someone else. You sound brainwashed enough to think it is a glorious thing to give the only life you ever will have in a blind way for your country. Take a minute to think about it this way. Would you rather be in Lowell having a drink and enjoying a wife and family, and all the other good things in life, or would you rather be laying in a bulldozed trench on Omaha Beach, and other places, and then have the blade push dirt over you into your open mouth and eyes like a dead horse? What if you had gotten married and expected to have a family and play pro-baseball, then ended up with your dog tags on a cross, and since 1943 your wife never got married because her dreams were shattered, and you could raise up and see a friend who had played baseball with you a few months before registering your grave. Would you have given it a second thought? If you want to be so stupid, I don't see why you are waiting the flag and shooting off your mouth and go take Mike Kimco's place? I am just as patriotic as any of you, but I am not brainwashed to the extent of trying to tell anyone else how to do their thinking. If you understand soldier's talk, you will understand. Who do you think you are to jam your way of thinking down someone else's throat. If you try to make anyone else live by your way of thinking, why don't you be a "Hitler"? Can you tell me the difference of living under the iron heel of Hitler, or your way of thinking? I thought the U.S.A. gave the right for anyone to think as they want to. Maybe we all should think like the so-called "draft dodgers." If it had not been for those kind of people, we probably would still be in Vietnam. They woke up the U.S.A. and it will be much more difficult to have another war. What would happen if we declared war and no one would fight? Would the President and Generals go out and take our place? Who, since "Stonewall" Jackson, has led his men in battle and did the accounting for them, which cost him his life? Instead of us fighting their wars around the world, why don't they put on GI clothes, live in foxholes, eat "G" rations and watch their buddies die. The Army needs volunteers now. They need someone with experience, so why don't we have a show of hands to see who will give up the soft life and go back to the "foxholes"? If you don't think I am patriotic, I will tell you (and can show you) I gave up a job that cost me thousands of dollars and three of the best years of my life, and contributed a lot more to the winning of the war than all of you put together. Why don't you go back to a "foxhole" on Omaha Beach, beside a tank one hundred yards apart so a shell would not do too much damage, or see fighter planes strapping foot soldiers and have the artillery shooting over your head, see "buzz bombs" dropping around you, or walk down the street and "BANG!" goes a rocket and just a few bloods disappear, along with the people. If that landed in front of your place, about half of the east end of Lowell would not be there anymore. So why don't you shut your stupid mouth and stop condemning people who want to stop this kind of thinking? If you don't, I will see you dead in a

what's important and what's valuable from the adults around them in their young formative years. They learn by watching, listening and testing mom, dad, aunts, uncles, grandparents, and any other "tigger people" in their world. As children grow up, the family becomes the place where each person has a chance to share personal thoughts and goals, and obtain support for being him or herself. The YMCA of this community would like to join with your church on this, YMCA Sunday, in urging you to stop, to think about and pray for your family and family life in your community. Ask yourself: 1. Have you been listening to your family lately? How can you listen carefully to each member of your family for five minutes today?

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Matmen Move Up In State Ratings

Lowell High School's wrestling team moved up in the State Ratings this week. The Red Arrows are now in fifth place behind Zeeland, Grandville, New Boston Huron and Fruitport. Lowell's team, coached by Gary Rivers, also had five wrestlers on the list of the area's best. His tournament record shows one first, one second and one third. At 178 pounds, John Wilder is third on the list with a 19-2-1 record. Wilder has had one first and two seconds in the tournaments. Lowell's rescheduling problems, caused by the inclement weather, still aren't solved at the time of this writing. Scheduled this Thursday is a Tri-River league match at home, against Coopersville, weather permitting. On the list at 126 pounds is Ed



Dan Kroff



Bill Heintzelman



Ed Loughlin



John Wilder

Ed Loughlin with a 17-5 record. He has had three second place finishes in tournament competition. Bill Heintzelman with a 19-3 record is also listed among the area's best. His tournament record shows one first, one second and one third. At 178 pounds, John Wilder is third on the list with a 19-2-1 record. Wilder has had one first and two seconds in the tournaments. Lowell's rescheduling problems, caused by the inclement weather, still aren't solved at the time of this writing. Scheduled this Thursday is a Tri-River league match at home, against Coopersville, weather permitting. On the list at 126 pounds is Ed

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OBITUARIES

Enma Hillon Mrs. Enma G. Hillon, aged 96, of Hilton Avenue, Lowell, passed away Sunday morning, January 30. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Vester-Strim Funeral Home in Grand Rapids with Rev. Duncan E. Littlefair officiating. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

She is survived by a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Eunice Hillon of Lowell; two granddaughters, Mrs. Joe (Margie) Leson of Lowell and Mrs. Thomas (Paula) Canfield of Clarksville; nine great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Robert Kling Robert E. Kling of 3480 Buttrick Road, S.E. Ad., died Sunday morning, January 23, at the age of 50. He is survived by his wife, Margaret; four daughters, Mrs. Marcia King of Lansing, Mrs. Fred (Anita) Canero, Linda Kling and Tina Kling, both at home; two sons, Nicholas of Comstock Park and Robert of Grand Rapids; his father, Earl Kling of Phoenix, Arizona; a grandson and two aunts.

Marion Moerdyke Funeral services for Marion Moerdyke, 57, were held Wednesday, January 26, at the Arslowicz Brothers West Chapel. Burial will be in Lithuania Freedom Cemetery.

Mrs. Moerdyke, of 214 Garfield Ave., NW, Grand Rapids, died of cancer January 24 at Butterworth Hospital.

Mrs. Moerdyke was a graduate of Ada High School. Despite the handicap of being legally blind since birth, she gained acclaim as a writer and operated Moerdyke's Second Hand Shop on Bridge St. NW from 1957 to 1964. Surviving are her husband, Jacob; three daughters, Mrs. Clyde (Katherine) Modin, Mrs. James (Francis) Schwietzer, both of Cascade, and Mrs. James (Jacklyn) Mores of Grand Rapids; two sisters, Pauline Rakitis and Helen Chagg, both of Tucson, Arizona, and seven grandchildren.

William Flynn William J. Flynn of 211 Maple Street, Caledonia, passed away Wednesday evening, January 26, at the Sherbrooke Nursing Home. He was 86 years old.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the Jonkhoff Funeral Home in Caledonia with the Rev. Edward L. Passenger officiating. Burial was made in Bowne Center Cemetery.

Mr. Flynn is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Nelson (Beatrice) Koetzier of Cascade; four sons, Herbert Flynn of Cascade, Elwin Flynn of Grand Rapids, Walter and Leonard Flynn, both of Caledonia; one sister, Mrs. Elmer (Anna) Ellis of Lowell; one brother, Clair Flynn of Alto; 15 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren.

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LUNCH MENU

LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS WEEK OF FEBRUARY 7 MON., Feb. 7: Italian Spaghetti, Garden Salad, French Bread or Rolls, Fruit Cocktail and Applesauce, Milk. TUES., Feb. 8: Hot Dogs, Pickles and Potato Chips, Buttered Corn or Soup, Fruit and Cookies, Milk. WED., Feb. 9: Turkey and Gravy on Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Buttered Bread, Cranberry Jelly, Assorted Jello with Whip, Milk. THURS., Feb. 10: Pizza on a Bun, Tomato Salad, Buttered Peas, Chilled Assorted Fruits, Milk. FRI., Feb. 11: Macaroni and Cheese, Green and Wax Beans, Cornmeal Bread or Rolls, Assorted Whipped Desserts, Milk.

Chlystek Completes Naval Recruit Training

Navy Seaman Recruit David B. Chlystek, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Chlystek of 7379 Lime Hollow SE, has completed recruit training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois.

During the eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic occupational fields.

Included in his studies were seamanship, close-order drill, Naval history and first aid.

A 1976 graduate of Forest Hills Central High School, he joined the Navy in October, 1976.

A ninth century map shows Paradise on an island east of China.

COMING EVENTS

THURS., FEB. 3 The Lydia Circle of the First United Methodist Church of Lowell will meet Thursday, February 3, at 9:15 a.m. in the church's Educational Building.

THURS., FEB. 3 The Lowell Ministerial Association will meet at the Lowell Church of the Nazarene on Thursday, February 3, at 1 p.m. All area clergymen are invited to attend this monthly meeting.

FRI., FEB. 4 The Ada Athletic Association will hold its annual meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Ada Township Hall on Friday, February 4. An election of officers will be held and plans for the coming year will be discussed. Meeting open to all residents of Ada Township.

FRI., FEB. 4 The February FORUM of Church Women United of the Grand Rapids area will be held Friday, February 4, at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 330 Lakeside, N.E., Grand Rapids (turn south off Michigan Street), beginning at 9:15 p.m. with coffee and registration. The Public is invited.

SAT., FEB. 5 A country-style Fish and Ham Supper will be served at the Clarksville Masonic Hall (new addition) on Saturday, February 5, 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Public invited.

SAT., FEB. 5 The Lowell Moose Lodge, No. 859, will celebrate their 65th anniversary with a celebration on Saturday, February 5, beginning at a smorgasbord 6:30 to 8:30 a.m. and dancing from 9:30 until 1:30.

TUES., FEB. 7 A pre-school story hour for 4-year-olds will be held at the Lowell Library on Tuesday, February 7, at 10:30 a.m.

MON., FEB. 7 "Five Day Plans to Quit Smoking" will be held at a clinic to begin Monday, February 7, at the Lowell YMCA. The clinic will be conducted February 7-11, 7 to 9:30 p.m.

TUES., FEB. 7 The Rev. Oswald Farley of Bates Creek will be holding special services at the Whitelyville Church of Jesus Christ on Whitelyville Road at 4th Street Tuesday, February 8, through Monday, February 14. Services start at 7:50 p.m. nightly, except on Sunday when two services will be held at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Everyone welcome.

TUES., FEB. 8 The Evening Club will meet Tuesday, February 8, 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. George Day with Mrs. Gladys Bove as co-hostess. Program will be "What's In Our Future" with Ray Quada, Lowell City Manager, as guest speaker.

TUES., FEB. 15 Alto Mothers' Club meeting Tuesday, February 15, 8 p.m. at the school. Subject of the monthly meeting will be "Dolls For Democracy."

SUNDAY SATURDAY Ch. Col. Break, 2 p.m. at Key Heights Trailer Park Office.

SUPERVISED ICE SKATING SESSIONS Every Wednesday afternoon, 4 to 5 p.m., at the Lowell City Ice Rink at Recreation Park, the Lowell YMCA will supervise the ice skating activities.

There will also be supervised ice skating on all days when there is no school, 2 to 4 p.m. Hot chocolate will be available at a nominal fee, for those skaters who wish to relax and warm up.

Michigan State University horticulturists point out that multi-order seed companies offer a wide choice of fruit and vegetable varieties, many of which can't be obtained at the rack at the grocery store. Often the seed companies are the only sources for recommended varieties.

Order early, the MSU experts advise, be sure to get the varieties and the quantities of seed or plants that you need.

Open Letter from DAVID GERST

Dear Friends,
Occasionally a bereaved person will want to deny the death that has occurred. However, it is necessary for mental health to admit to yourself death's reality, even though it is a painful experience. One of the ways to impress the reality of death is to view the body lying in state. The acknowledgment of death by relatives and friends can then help the bereaved toward acceptance of death and start the wholesome process of grief and recovery.

Respectfully,
David Gerst

ROTH-GERST FUNERAL HOME
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Women's Club Will Observe Patriot's Day

The Lowell Women's Club will meet in the lounge of the Schneider Manor on Bowes Road Wednesday, February 9, at 2 p.m.

The annual celebration of Patriot's Day is being arranged by the program chairman, Mrs. Denny. She has asked several of the club members to give a short talk on "Voices of the Past."

Mrs. Wise, chairman on Michigan history, will give a mini-report.

Hostesses Mrs. Rose and her tea committee of Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Fox, Mrs. Bradshaw and Mrs. Siegle will serve tea.

Pre-School Story Hour

The Pre-School story time at the Lowell Public Library, opens up a new, exciting world for little children.

Story time for 4-year-olds will begin Friday, February 4, at 10:30 a.m. at the Lowell Public Library, 215 W. Main and Hudson Street. Register your child now for this session, urges Mrs. Evelyn Briggs, librarian.

On February 14 at 10:30 a.m. a special Planned Book story time will be held.

The Lowell Library is open Mondays, 12 noon to 5:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, 12 noon to 5:30 p.m.; Fridays, 1 to 6 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Kent Soil Conservation District will be selling trees and shrubs this spring, according to Gerald Kingsbury, District Chairman. The time last come to decide where to plant them and to place your order.

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List Activities At Senior Center

Michael O'Donnell, director of the Hearing and Speech Center of Grand Rapids, will discuss hearing problems at the Lowell Senior Neighborhood Center, 214 E. Main Street, at 12:30 on Friday, February 4.

All Lowell Seniors are welcome to come to learn what can be done about hearing losses. A Men's Breakfast at 8:30 on February 8, will be followed by a discussion of Senior Housing plans in Lowell. On February 14, there will be an all-games Veterans' party. Please call 897-5250 for reservations for these events.

Dinners, provided by a federally funded nutrition program for the elderly, are served every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Donations are voluntary. Reservations must be made on the day preceding the dinner.

The visitors to the Center are very appreciative of the new "parking" signs that have been put in front of the building. It means that seniors are assured of safe and easy passage from the street to the Center.

Thanks is expressed to the City Council for approving the provision of loading space signs, and to Lowell citizens and Main Street merchants for their cooperation.

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Michigan State University horticulturists point out that multi-order seed companies offer a wide choice of fruit and vegetable varieties, many of which can't be obtained at the rack at the grocery store. Often the seed companies are the only sources for recommended varieties.

Order early, the MSU experts advise, be sure to get the varieties and the quantities of seed or plants that you need.

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For WEST MICHIGAN Sportsmen

by Denny Geurink

Spring Turkey Hunts

Rules covering the 1977 spring turkey hunts on the Allegan, Baldwin and Mio Game Areas were recently set by the Michigan Natural Resources Commission at its monthly meeting in Lansing.

The special late April and early May seasons will be open to 6,375 lucky permit holders

T-Bone Steak Dinner

Dinner includes Baked Potato, Salad, Rolls, Coffee. Only 149¢ Per Person

Flat River Post 8303 Veterans of Foreign Wars

E. Main St., Lowell 1-8 p.m. Saturday, February 12, 1977

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FOR SALE

COUNTRY STYLE - Fish & Ham dinner, serving from 5-7:30 p.m. \$3.00 adults, \$1.50 children, ages 5-12. February 5, Saturday, at Clarksville Mosaic Hall. New addition. p12

BEDROOM SUITE - Walnut wood with \$10 down, balance \$16 weekly. King of Discounts, 1100 Leonard NW, Grand Rapids. 456-1787. Week nights till 9. c12

FREE - Pint-sized puppies 3 months old. Corner of Meigs & Four Mile, N.E. Phone 67E. c12

FOR SALE - 1971 Chevrolet Malibu. New tire, new battery, good engine. 88,000 miles. Has some body rust. \$600. Call 897-9896 after 6 p.m.

YMCA WINTER CLASS SCHEDULE

BASIC HAIR CARE AND MAKE-UP APPLICATION: Learn the way to blow dry your hair. Class meets Tuesday nights in the Sr. High School, in Room F-2, from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

COUNTRY PAINTING, LANDSCAPE PAINTING, & COUNTRY CARVING: Class is for beginners as well as experienced painters. Class meets Thursday mornings, 9 to 11 a.m. in the YMCA Office.

SEWING FOR SPRING AND SUMMER: Think warm!!! Begin planning your spring and summer wardrobes. Class meets on Thursday evenings in the Lowell Sr. High School, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., in Room F-2.

INTERIOR DESIGN: Save money, learn to professionally decorate your own home. Class meets Friday mornings, 9 to 11 a.m., in the Lowell YMCA Office.

ANYONE WISHING FURTHER INFORMATION ON ANY YMCA CLASS—OR WISHING TO REGISTER PLEASE CALL THE LOWELL AREA YMCA AT 879-7975.

WANTED

ROCK TUMBLERS - SAWS, Grinders, Grits, Polishers, Rough Material, Mountings, Gifts. Peter's Pebble Palace, 1/2 mile north of Cascade Road or 4 miles south of Lowell at 4073 Saginaw, Lowell, 897-7178. c12

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HORSES & PONIES WANTED - All makes, reasonable rates. Wanted - Walnut timber and white oak. Highest cash prices paid. Phone (616) 642-9975. c12

SMILING WOMAN - Under 60, 2 hours a day, 4 days a week; \$65 per week guaranteed. For interview call 963-7739 between 2 and 4 p.m. only. c12

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EXPERT CAMERA REPAIR - All makes, reasonable rates. Modern Photography, 104 W. Main St., Lowell, Mi. c12

YOUR - Rawleigh and Watkins representative for the Alto and Lowell Area is George Blocher, 215 James Street, Lowell. Orders can be placed by calling 897-5628. c12

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SNOWBLOWING - Cascade-Ada vicinity, Call Murray Lake Marina at 897-7716 or 454-3680. c12

HAVE SNOWBLOWER - Will clean driveways and sidewalks. Call Village Inn and leave name and address. 897-5301. Ken Thompson Lot, 32 Valley Vista Trailer Court, CB Channel 19. c16

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Board Agrees On Index Bargaining

Thursday, January 27, a special meeting was held by the Saranac School Board to discuss the salaries of the Saranac Schools Administrators. Present at the meeting were Board members Simpson, Harker, Superintendent Earl Cady, Principal and Assistant Principals, Chadwick, Schmit, Terburgh, Harker and Triewiler. The meeting was called to order by Vice President John Bauman (President Patrick arrived late at 7:30). The administrators presented their recommendations to the board for discussion and approval. First consideration was the idea of using an index system of salary adjustment. Dr. Kilde brought it to the board's attention that by using the index system evaluation it might be done at a lower cost. The administrators recommended that a new Administrator be started at no higher pay than Step 7 on the pay scale. Dr. Kilde recommended that it be applied to new teachers. Length of Contract - The Administrator recommends: New Administrators have one year contracts. After two years of good evaluation (3 or more) a three year contract and thereafter, contracts will be extended one year for each good evaluation. The law, gives you the following rights: The right to inspect and review all records on your children kept by school systems. The right to challenge the accuracy, appropriateness or implications of any information in your child's records, and to have false or misleading information corrected or deleted. The right to limit the number and types of persons and agencies given access to your child's records. The right to be notified every year your child's records are turned over to a court by judicial order or subpoena. J. William Riosa, of the National Committee for Citizens in Education, a consumer's group, urges parents to exercise their rights by checking their children's records from time to time. (Students themselves, if they are 18 or older, may also see their records.) A request to see your child's records must be honored in 45 days of the time you make it. If the school ignores your request, contact the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Washington

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Perk Producers Meet At Saranac School - Ionia County Perk Producers held a dinner at the Saranac School, Monday evening, January 24. Thirty-eight people were in attendance. Speakers were Maynard Hogberg from Michigan State who talked about the future of the Swine Industry and showed a film depicting hog farms in the state. Tom Pitchford also spoke in regards to the local Swine Industry. New officers were elected and they are: President, Pete March; Vice, Belding; Secretary-Treasurer, Tony Thelen; Peward; State Director, John Cook, Lake Odessa; Alt. State Director, Ron Simmon.

Randy Fulton Navy Fireman - Navy Fireman Recruit Randy L. Fulton, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Fulton of 5933 Sayre Road, Belding, has completed recruit training at the Naval Training Center in Orlando, Florida. During the eight-week training cycle, Fulton studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the navy's 15 basic occupational fields. Included in his studies were seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. A 1976 graduate of Saranac High School, Fulton joined the Navy in October of 1976.

PROHIBITING SPEARING MUSKELLUNGE LAKES - The Natural Resources Commission, at its July 9, 1976, meeting, under the authority of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended, adopted an order prohibiting all spearing throughout 1977 on the following waters, except the Center Chain of Lakes, where spearing was prohibited during January and February only: Dumont and Osterhout lakes, Allegan County; Clear and Thornapple lakes, Barry County; Cornwall Impoundment, Cheboygan County; Caribou Lake, Chippewa County; Budd Lake, Clara County; Bass Lake, Gospele County; Lake Lansing, Ingham County; Long Lake, Ionia County; Chlogson, Emily Iron, Robinson, Runkle and Stanley lakes, Iren County; Center Chain of Lakes (Center, Round, Moon, Price, Otciott, Little Otciott, Doller, Wolf, Little Wolf and connecting waters), Jackson County; Campau and Dean lakes, Kent County; Nepposing Lake, Leapor County; Whitmore Lakes, Livingston and Washtenaw Counties; Woodland Lake, Livingston County; Kals Lake, Luce County; Brewert Lake, Mackinac County; Bass Lake, Mason County; Tamarack Lake, Montcalm County; West Twin Lake, Montmorency County; Herson and Tispoo lakes, Oakland County; Big Bear Lake, Otsego County; Long Lake, St. Joseph County; Murphy Lake, Tuscola County; Bankson, Three Legged and Rose lakes, Van Buren County. c10-12

IN AND AROUND SARANAC

Student Records

Since at a recent school board meeting, the subject of access to student records was brought up. I have done some research on the subject and have come up with the latest information on the subject. The following is an excerpt from an article that appeared in the February issue of General Comment. Since the law is given 45 days to respond to your request, in that 45 days such records can be altered or something could be taken out of that record before presenting it. Since this is an important issue, I am writing to said Department for more information concerning alteration of school records, how to prove it and what the fine would be should such a thing occur.

Fire Destroys Martin Barn

Wednesday night, Saranac firemen, along with Ionia and Orleans Fire Departments, battled a blaze at the residence of Gerald Martin of 2353 Johnson Road. The Saranac Firemen were the first at the scene, being tipped off by an unknown passerby. The structure (barn) was a total loss and lost it were four horses, 18 calves and two hogs. Two hundred cattle were saved though Saranac's truck had to go through Ionia to get to the fire, because of the weight restrictions on G.R. bridge.

The main thing was trying to keep the fire confined to the barn, which they accomplished with the help of a strong wind blowing opposite other structures. Some roads were impassable due to blizzard conditions but M-21 to Saranac was relatively clear. Those trucks stranded on the way to the fire were dug out by the Road Commission crews. Saranac trucks were back at the station at 4:15 a.m.

Accidents

Wednesday, on Morrison chain reaction accidents occurred. The first one occurred at about 5:15 p.m. when Ronald Kangan, 22, of Saranac ran into the rear of a car driven by Norman Newcomb, 35, of Saranac. Then a few minutes later a car driven by a Greenville resident stopped to help only to be struck by another car driven by another Grand Rapids resident, Daniel Jensen. Just after the 1st accident Dale Nelson, area patrolman, arrived and was almost struck by another car driven by Kathryn Triewiler, 22, of Saranac as she ran into the County car. Nelson was not in the car but standing behind it. He was informed of the upcoming Triewiler car and was able to escape injury. There was little damage to the cruiser but the Triewiler car received extensive damage.

Whoever gossip to you will gossip to you Spanish Proverb

With Karen Gregory

Student Records

Since at a recent school board meeting, the subject of access to student records was brought up. I have done some research on the subject and have come up with the latest information on the subject. The following is an excerpt from an article that appeared in the February issue of General Comment. Since the law is given 45 days to respond to your request, in that 45 days such records can be altered or something could be taken out of that record before presenting it. Since this is an important issue, I am writing to said Department for more information concerning alteration of school records, how to prove it and what the fine would be should such a thing occur.

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What's Cooking

Driving by a Michigan orchard this time of year, all you'll see are bare branches, not too much activity and, in some cases, large storage sheds. If you see the sheds, drive by quietly. Most likely, there are apples in there sleeping. No, I haven't gone "round the bend." You see, Michigan's apple growers often put some of their production into what is called "Controlled Atmosphere" (CA) storage. They drop the oxygen content in the room and lower the temperature and the breathing rate of the apples goes down, slowing their aging process. That's how we're able to get fresh apples this time of year, long after the harvest season.

Next time you're at the store, pick up a bag of newly-waxed Michigan apples and make Stewed Apples in Butter and Wine: 6 Michigan apples 3 tablespoons butter 1/2 cup white Michigan wine 1/2 cup water 1-inch piece cinnamon stick 1 tablespoon lemon juice 1 tablespoon grated lemon peel 1 cup sugar Wash, peel and core the apples. Cut into thick slices and saute lightly in butter for 3 to 5 minutes in a saucpan. In another pan, boil the wine, water, sugar, cinnamon, lemon juice and peel for 5 minutes. Pour over the apples and cook uncovered until the apples are tender. Place in a serving dish and serve either hot or cold. A different flavor great by itself, with pork or other white meats. I don't know if a Michigan apple every day will keep the doctor away or not. I do know most doctors don't make house calls anyway.

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PROHIBITING SPEARING MUSKELLUNGE LAKES

The Natural Resources Commission, at its July 9, 1976, meeting, under the authority of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended, adopted an order prohibiting all spearing throughout 1977 on the following waters, except the Center Chain of Lakes, where spearing was prohibited during January and February only: Dumont and Osterhout lakes, Allegan County; Clear and Thornapple lakes, Barry County; Cornwall Impoundment, Cheboygan County; Caribou Lake, Chippewa County; Budd Lake, Clara County; Bass Lake, Gospele County; Lake Lansing, Ingham County; Long Lake, Ionia County; Chlogson, Emily Iron, Robinson, Runkle and Stanley lakes, Iren County; Center Chain of Lakes (Center, Round, Moon, Price, Otciott, Little Otciott, Doller, Wolf, Little Wolf and connecting waters), Jackson County; Campau and Dean lakes, Kent County; Nepposing Lake, Leapor County; Whitmore Lakes, Livingston and Washtenaw Counties; Woodland Lake, Livingston County; Kals Lake, Luce County; Brewert Lake, Mackinac County; Bass Lake, Mason County; Tamarack Lake, Montcalm County; West Twin Lake, Montmorency County; Herson and Tispoo lakes, Oakland County; Big Bear Lake, Otsego County; Long Lake, St. Joseph County; Murphy Lake, Tuscola County; Bankson, Three Legged and Rose lakes, Van Buren County. c10-12

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Clean Houseplants

Dull, dusty leaves hurt a houseplant's appearance and may interfere with its health. Michigan State University horticulturists point out that it's a simple matter to give dusty houseplants a bath.

For large-leaved plants, simply wipe the leaves with a soft, damp cloth. For smaller-leaved plants, a gentle shower should do the job.

Badly water-spotted plants or those with an oily film on the leaves may have to be cleaned with a mild soap solution. Dip the plant in the solution or wipe gently with a soft cloth. Be sure to rinse well to remove all the soap.

If you want to polish your

plant's leaves, use a commercial plant polish according to manufacturer's directions. Mayonnaise, milk and other such "home" remedies should be avoided. They coat the leaf and interfere with air and moisture exchange. Leaves turn black and die.

Hairy-leaved plants like African violets should not be washed, wiped or polished, the MSU experts advise. Dust them with a camel's hair brush. Washing would result in water spots, and any rubbing would give the leaves a scuffed, bruised appearance.

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Rikkety-Rokkets Launch Super Salesmanship



Nine members of the Rikkety-Rokkets Junior Achievement Company took a recent tour of the Root-Lowell Manufacturing Company.

Off the launching pad and orbiting into a super year of Salesmanship are the Rikkety-Rokkets, a Junior Achievement Company sponsored by the Root-Lowell Manufacturing Co. of Lowell.

Since the initial countdown last year, the company's accomplishments have soared. The year ending December, 1976, saw them named runner-up in the Company-of-the-month contest.

As of January 20, 1977, the Rikkety-Rokkets have registered \$1,856 in sales and have the highest stock value (\$6.96) in the Grand Rapids area.

Attaining membership in the \$100 Sales Club have been Bob Czarnopys, Sandren Schollart, Roger Carlson and Tom Davis. Jim Krzeminski was elevated into the \$400 Sales Club.

Three of the Rikkety-Rokkets' officers attended a five-state Management Conference at Bowling Green University. They were Jim Krzeminski, president, Bob Czarnopys, vice-president of Manufacturing, and Anne Fischer, secretary.

While at the conference Rikkety-Rokket president, Jim Krzeminski won the J.A. Jeopardy Contest, against members from the four other states

participating.

The contest, based on the television game show, hurled questions at the competitors on such topics as JA knowledge, economics and current events.

This Saturday, February 5, the Rikkety-Rokkets will be among the participants in a JA Sale at the Woodland Mall in Grand Rapids.

Orders for the Rocket Launcher toys produced by the Rikkety-Rokkets can be ordered by persons in the Lowell and surrounding areas by calling the JA center in Grand Rapids, 451-2674, weekdays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

OPEN BASKETBALL SATURDAY MORNINGS

YMCA Open Basketball will now be held on Saturday mornings in the Lowell High School Gym from 10 a.m. until 12 noon. Saturday morning gym will begin Saturday, February 12, and run through April 2.

Basketball is open to all men (high school and older) at the rate of \$1.00 per person, per week.

Mold which may develop on natural cheeses is not harmful, and is easily scraped or cut from the surface.

ROTARY NOTES

Singing "Happy Birthday" to Dr. Bob Kyser was the highlight of the Lowell Rotary Club's sing-a-long Wednesday, January 26.

A report was given by Roger Roberts concerning a lobby for better government. The Rotary Community Service Committee consisting of Len Sinke, Wendell Christoff, Bob Kyser, Rich Greenwood, Mike Wittenbach and Rommie Moore, reported.

Rotary Leadership Camp for boys will be June 15-19. Rotary Farmer's Day will be February 16.

The newly installed blinds in the building, donated by King Doyle, were noted with appreciation.

Don Rocheleau of Attwood Corporation introduced the day's speaker, Jack Galletty. Mr. Galletty told how the Attwood Corp. complies with environmental standards for clean air and water, spending \$950,000 for pollution control equipment. Attwood engineer George Glasco, assisted with the program.

Guests were Curtis Gray, Norm Borgerson Jr., Art Johnson and Jr. Rotarians Mike Rowe and Glenn Bailey.

POTPOURRI

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Sterzick (Jack & Joyce) will observe their wedding anniversary February 19, 1977. They were married in 1944.

Senator Donald W. Riegler, jr., has opened his Western Michigan Regional office at 100 Michigan Avenue, N.W., Grand Rapids in Room 143 of the Federal Building. "This office will allow citizens to participate more fully in decisions affecting them," Riegler stated. "Throughout my 10 years in the House of Representatives I've maintained a close working relationship with Flint and Genesee County residents. I plan to continue that kind of working relationship with the people of Western Michigan," Riegler said. The office will open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Citizens wishing to contact Senator Riegler's office can do so by calling 456-2592.

All area farmers have been invited to "Farmer's Day," Wednesday, February 16, 12 noon at the First United Methodist Church of Lowell. The annual get-together (business, industry, farmers) is co-sponsored by King Milling Company and the State Savings Bank.

Tips Offered On Furnace Repairs

Having your furnace checked may save you money on winter fuel bills, but be careful to choose someone qualified to do the job, warns James S. Boyd, Extension agricultural engineering specialist at Michigan State University.

One way to find a competent serviceman is to ask your local fuel company to recommend someone, he suggests. When the serviceman arrives, be sure to ask for his company identification. You can verify it with a call to the company.

Boyd says that if the repairman doesn't have a local business address, you should be wary. Also beware of a serviceman who reports the worst after inspecting your furnace. Always get a second or third opinion to avoid costly repairs or an unnecessary new furnace.

If your furnace does require repairs, don't rush into signing a service agreement. When you do sign, insist that all guarantees and conditions of the contract are in writing and signed. A verbal agreement will do you no good if it is defaulted.

Remember that after you've signed a service contract you have three days to cancel that agreement. This gives you time to seek advice from local authorities. Call the Better Business Bureau or the consumer protection office in your town.



There are goats in Tennessee and Mississippi that actually fall into a dead faint at any loud sound—a thunderclap, an engine starting up, even the clatter of a feed bucket. The cause is not cowardice, however, but an inherited nerve disorder.

Aerial Photos

Anyone having need for aerial photos may obtain them for any given area in Michigan by contacting the Michigan State ASCS Office at 1405 South Harrison Road, East Lansing, Michigan, or their local county ASCS office. Robert Zeel, Chairman of the Michigan State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, stated that USDS provides aerial photos of the lower peninsula of Michigan about every seven or eight years. The upper peninsula is flown by the U.S. Forest Service at lesser intervals.

Anyone may obtain these photos at a nominal cost at any one of several scales varying from 3334' to the inch up to 400' to the inch. Prints cover four square miles unless a special order is filed. The costs are from

\$2.00 for 9 1/4"x9 1/4" up to \$13.00 for 38"x38".

Zeel further points out that these photos can be ordered to an exact scale so that accurate distance between given points may be obtained without ground measurement. Also, exact acreages may be determined for any given area such as fields, lakes, woods, etc. Photos are used extensively for land-use planning, urban development, drainage projects, highway layouts, etc. The total uses are too countless to name.

Another interesting note, Zeel points out, is that the private sale of photos pay 80 percent of the over-all cost for aerial photography.

Anyone ordering photos should allow at least 30 days for delivery.

DROOPY MOUSTACHE—SYMBOL OF AGGRESSION?

Beware of the man with a droopy moustache or the woman with sharply angled eyebrows. These are symbols of aggression, says Dr. Andrew Barclay, associate professor of psychology at Michigan State University.

Regardless of our cultural heritage, says Dr. Barclay, certain universally understood messages are portrayed by our faces.

"Sharp angles on the face seem to be a universal indicator of aggression," he explains. Moustaches curving upwards at the tips are a friendly signal, however. Round, wide opened eyes universally express warmth, love and openness.

"Our faces are built to produce our first overt emotional responses to anything that comes our way," Dr. Barclay explained. "And they respond even before we actually 'feel' any emotion."

That's why adults usually enjoy children. They don't know how to hide their feelings, says the MSU psychology professor.

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