

# The Grand Valley Ledger

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PRICE FIFTEEN CENTS



**THE OFFICES OF** the Lowell City Hall at 301 East Main Street, will be closed on Good Friday, April 8, from 12 o'clock on. They will reopen at 8 a. m. on Monday, April 11. Most of the businesses in Lowell will be closed this Friday afternoon from 1 until 3 p. m. to allow their employees to attend Good Friday services.

**ON MONDAY, APRIL 11,** at 7:30 p. m. in the Middle School Choir Room the Lowell Area Schools' Board of Education will meet. Thus far, three items have been placed on the agenda: Allocation Budget; selection of auditor; and Board of Education brochure.

**OFFICIALS OF THE** Kent County Road Commission have approved the lifting of weight restrictions for trucks and other vehicles as of April 1. The limits had been in effect since March 1 on most truck routes. As the ground thaws, roads are more unstable than usual. Speed limits have also been raised from 35 miles per hour to the posted limits.

**THERE WILL BE** a meeting at Lowell High School for tenth and eleventh graders and their parents who are interested in the cooperative occupational training program for the 1977-78 school year. The meeting will be held in the "J" Quad on Tuesday, April 12, at 7:15 p. m. This meeting will provide information regarding the requirements for participation in the program. Other topics to be discussed will be the purpose of the program, jobs, student responsibilities and related class work.

**SAM CILUFFO,** OWNER of the Kaptain's Korner clothing store on West Main Street, has purchased the Effe and Drum Restaurant in Rockford from Paul Erickson. Ciluffo said he plans no changes in the operation of the restaurant which Erickson opened last fall.

**WHAT LITTLE BIT** of Spring that has prevailed thus far this year, has prompted area residents to get their bicycles out of storage. Lowell Chief of Police Barry Emmons has issued a warning to all bicycle owners to "be sure and lock their bikes up when they're not in use, even if you'll only be away from it for a few minutes." "Already," Emmons revealed, "We've handled three complaints regarding stolen bicycles."

**ARRAIGNED ON** a charge of assault and battery last Thursday in Kent County's 63rd District Court was Terry Eickhoff of Lowell. Eickhoff entered a guilty plea to the incident which took place on March 20 in Lowell.

**A LOWELL MIDDLE** School student was injured last week when he ran out in front of a car in the Middle School parking lot, from behind a parked truck. The driver of the vehicle, a juvenile, was not injured.

**LOWELL OFFICERS,** March 28, arrested Benjamin Franklin Adams of Grand Rapids on a charge of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor (second offense). Adams, who appeared before Judge Joseph B. White in Kent County's 63rd District Court last Tuesday entered a plea of not guilty.

**"YOU KNOW SPRING** is definitely on its way, when you've seen a Blue Bird," remarked Stanley Gardner of Ware Road, last week as he reported seeing one on March 30th. "They're later this year," Gardner revealed. "Last year we saw our first one on March 12."

**REGULAR LOWELL AREA** Chamber of Commerce meeting will be Thursday, April 7, 8 p. m. at Paul's Showboat Restaurant. Interested persons are invited to attend.

**AN EASTER EGG HUNT** for the children of the Lowell and Alto areas, between the ages of 1 and 11, will be held this Saturday, April 9, between St. Mary's and Bushnell Elementary Schools, starting at 11 a. m. This event is being co-sponsored by the Lowell Area Jaycees and the East Kent Community Center. The hunt for ages 1-7 starts at 11 a. m. with those 8-11 years old starting at 11:30 a. m.

## New Smokehouse



A new treat for area shoppers are the homemade and home smoked sausages at the Lowell Cut-Rate Market at 205 E. Main St., Lowell. A large smoker and a sausage making machine have been added by owner, Gary Locks.

Gary is pictured above inspecting racks of Polish Style Sausages in their smoking process. Besides Polish Style Sausage, the market is also offering, German style franks, German style ring bologna, German style slicing bologna, roasted sausage, summer sausage, cooked salami, pepperoni and beef jerky.

## Lowell City Council Lowell Council Approves Exemption For Attwood

At their regular meeting on Monday, March 7, The Lowell City Council voted to adopt a resolution approving a request for a Certificate of Exemption from Attwood Corporation. This certificate of exemption applies to the recent addition of facilities at Attwood. It will allow the City to grant Attwood a 50% property tax exemption on the new addition for twelve years. This is a state program which is aimed at promoting new industry. Councilmen Collins and Christiansen voted no on the resolution, stating several reasons, but primarily because they felt that this was giving a tax break to only a small group in the community.

The exemption is still subject to state approval and public hearings must be held on the matter.

City Manager Ray Quada was given the go ahead by the

council to do some painting and repair work on the Foreman Building. Some local service organizations have volunteered the labor if the city furnishes the materials. A total of \$1,800 was allocated for the project.

Jackson Motor Sales was the low bidder on a new pickup truck for the D.P.W. All four area car dealers bid on the truck and all four bids came in with slightly more than \$200 separating them. After some discussion, Jackson Motor Sales was awarded the contract.

The council adopted a resolution to limit parking to one side of the city's major streets that were listed in last week's Ledger. In order to qualify as major streets and receive state funds, these streets must have at least 30 feet of right-of-way plus area taken up by parked cars. The city manager and police chief will determine from which side of these streets, the parking will be removed.

## Danny's Message Found

A plastic sack containing a letter and photograph, securely tied to a balloon, was found east of Lowell Palm Sunday afternoon, April 3, by two Lowell girls.



Nine-year-old Danny Winston's balloon message was found Palm Sunday, east of Lowell.

The airways message was dispatched from Highland Park, Illinois, on March 29 by nine-year-old Danny Winston, who sent the following message:

Dear Friend or whoever found this. I sent this letter by balloon on March 29, 1977. My name is Danny Winston. I'm in the fourth grade and nine years old. Please write back to this address: Danny Winston, 871 Marion, Highland Park, Illinois 60035. P.S. I am writing from Illinois, please write back.

Danny's balloon, in a deflated condition, was discovered by Terri Johnson of 422 Grindie Drive, who was visiting at the home of Mrs. Etta Salak, 11660 Bluewater Highway, Lowell. Terri, along with Mrs. Salak's granddaughter, Sue Clelland, sighted the balloon lying near a dog coop in the backyard.

It would be interesting to know exactly how many days it took Danny's balloon to actually reach its destination, but no one will probably ever know how long it laid there before it was discovered.

Both girls, eager over their find, plan to contact Danny this week, confirming that indeed his message did arrive, and was found over 300 miles away.

## Taxpayers Are Protesting

Citizens are reacting to the recent assessment hand-down by the Kent County Board of Equalization. Displeasure over the added increase in taxes was aired at a meeting held Thursday night at St. Robert's Church in Ada.

Carl Redding, chairman of Spencer Citizens Group pointed a critical finger at the legislators for not taking some action in the area of tax reform. Several townships were represented at the meeting. Mr. Redding further pointed out that many of the townships fall far below the criteria for assessing fifty percent of true value.

Robert Leasure, former supervisor of Lowell Township, explained the system for spreading the tax rolls. He stated "It is of the utmost importance that local units of governments do their jobs and if they do, inequities can be carried to the state level. If this is not done, the state will take over and there will be no recourse for appeal."

Maureen Dreher of Ada, stated that she has asked Ada Township officials for a copy of their study on at least five occasions and it still has not been given to her. She asked for action by the Kent County Board of Commissioners to bring this matter to the state level.

## 'Tin Lizzie' Winner



Gregory Anderson, age 5, is the very happy winner of the "Tin Lizzie," recently given away by the Lowell Rotary Club as a fund raising project for the Lowell Showboat.

Gregory is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Anderson of 1631 Stonewood Drive in Eastgate.

## Supt., Business Mgr. Released By School Board

In a surprise move last Thursday night, the Lowell Board of Education failed to renew the contracts of Supt. Leonard Sinke and Business Manager Bob Coussens.



Leonard Sinke

Board President Roger Roberts said today that what amounts to the removal of Sinke as head of the Lowell school system came as a result of a growing difference of opinion between the board and superintendent in both policy and performance. However, there are those who feel that the defeat of the recent millage and the very vocal dissatisfaction of voters of the district with what they termed "top heavy administration" may have had a great deal to do with the decision.

Stating that the board this week is interviewing a candidate for the position of superintendent, Roberts also stressed the governing body's satisfaction with the former superintendent's past performance during the seven years he was head of the local district. "He contributed a great deal to the outstand-

ing physical plant we now have, the forward-looking curriculum changes and the rise in student performance as shown in certified testing," Roberts said. "It is simply that in these particular times there are new factors involved and for the past year Mr. Sinke has not been in agreement with board policy or expected performance," he added.

As far as business manager Bob Coussens is concerned, Roberts said that under reorganized administration, the duties and performance objectives are now different than those for which he was hired. Coussens was only under a one-year contract which expires at the end of June.

Although the power of the press is apparently pale compared to the power of the people, the board's problems for the coming year still remain, for the most part, unsolved. Unless, as has been rumored, voters now petition for another try at the millage election in June, the board remains adamant in that it will not go for the two extra mills again.

Therefore, with the cut in revenue at this point it still remains impossible to run the athletic program and other extra-curricular activities, approximately 39 members of the staff will be released and the prospect for a well-rounded student curriculum for the coming year is dim.

Sinke was unavailable for comment this week. It remains that a lot was accomplished under his administration but, as always, the position at the top is tenuous and "uneasy lies the head that wears the crown."

**ROSIE DRIVE INN** — 800 W. Main St., Lowell. This Week's Special: Cheeseburgers, 49c. Broasted Chicken To Go, Tuesday, Burger and Fry Night, 30c each. Wednesday Night, Chicken Night, \$1.50; Thursday Night, Liver & Onions with Honey Rolls, \$1.50; Saturday Night, Sizzler, 4 oz. Steak, Tossed Salad, Baked Potato, Grilled Homemade Bread, \$1.79. Open Easter morning from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. Only. Closed rest of the day. c21

## Showboat Starts Ticket Campaign

Realizing the demand for tickets will be great for this year's star, Pearl Bailey, Lowell Showboat officials have started a "purchase your ticket early" campaign for Lowell area residents.

Pearl Bailey, the great singer and star of "Hello Dolly" and many Broadway hits, is the featured attraction of this year's Showboat starting July 25 for six nights. All performances start at 9 p. m.

Sharing the week-long limelight is the well-known jazz drummer, Louis Bellson, Jr., husband of "Pearlie Mae" for 25 years. He also serves as musical director for all of Miss Bailey's personal appearances.

"We have obtained a highly-talented family entertainer in Pearl Bailey and feel the demand for tickets will be heavy. For the past 42 years the people of Lowell have faithfully supported the Showboat. For this reason, we feel they should be given early preferences of obtaining good seats for this year's Showboat," points out Charles Lippert, president of the Showboat Board of Directors.

The Showboat's mail order ticket office (Box 56, Lowell), is

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## Services On Good Friday

A community Good Friday Service will be held in Lowell this Friday, April 8, at 1:30 p. m. at the Calvary Christian Reformed Church, 1151 West Main Street.

The Rev. William Hurt of the Lowell Church of the Nazarene will be the speaker, using as his title "The Thieves Who Died With Jesus."

Special music will be provided by soloist Gary Knottnerus. Host pastor is the Rev. Richard VandeKieft.

A nursery will be provided during the service which is sponsored by the Lowell Ministerial Association.

In the Alto area, services will be held at 1:30 p. m. at the Hope Church of the Brethren.

now open. A special telephone ticket office (897-9237) will open May 1.

Reserved seats for the first four nights are \$4, \$5 and \$6 and general admission \$3. For the final two nights, reserved seats are \$5, \$6, \$8 and general admission at \$4.

A special family night (July 25) has been established. Adults may purchase \$4, and \$3 seats for \$2 and \$1 for children. For persons desiring to purchase tickets early, a special coupon is published in The Grand Valley Ledger for the next few weeks.

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## SEEK VARIANCE FOR MINI GOLF COURSE

The Zoning Board of Appeals of Grattan Township will meet on Wednesday, April 13, to consider the variance request of Clayton Heffron of H&W Farms.

The meeting, at which any interested person will be heard, will be held at 7:30 p. m. in the Grattan Township hall, 11669 Old Belding Road, in Grattan.

Mr. Heffron's request is for an exceptional use of the Grattan Township Zoning Ordinance. The exceptional use being the construction of a mini golf course on the northwest corner of M-44 and Ashley Avenue in Grattan Township.

## MICHIGAN LEGISLATORS THIRD-HIGHEST PAID

Michigan lawmakers' \$46,500 biennial salaries make them the third-highest paid legislators in the country, a national survey shows.

Only California with \$60,569 biennially and New York with \$47,000 over the same two-year span top the Michigan pay scale.

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### Golden Swingers To Meet On April 11

Lowell's Senior Citizen's Club, the Golden Swingers, will assemble for a potluck supper at six o'clock in the evening at the Lowell Middle School, on Foreman Road, on Monday, April 11.

### Eighteen Maintain All - A's at LHS

Eighteen students, who maintained all-A averages, have been placed on the honor roll at Lowell Senior High School for this marking period. They are: Tenth grade: Jana Carlson, Kirk Haybarker, Lynda Stark and Kathy Zwick.

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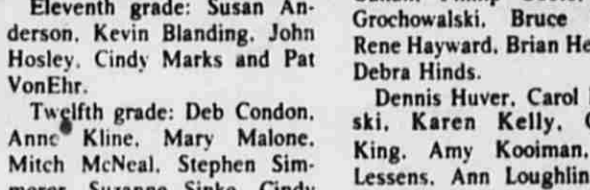
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### Marines Promote Michael Koster



Marine Private First Class Michael G. Koster, son of Fred J. Koster Sr. of 3208 Timpon, Lowell, has been honorably promoted to his present rank upon graduation from recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, California.

### LHS Spring Sports Schedules

**Girls' Track - 4 p.m.**  
Apr. 12 Fremont Lowell  
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Apr. 19 Sparta Sparta  
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Apr. 22 Ionia Ionia  
Apr. 26 Cedar Springs Lowell  
May 3 Greenville Lowell  
May 5 Lakewood Lakewood  
May 10 Belding Belding  
May 12 Saranac Lowell  
May 17 Coopersville Lowell  
May 20 Regionals Lowell  
(MHSAA assigned)  
May 24 Conference Sparta  
June 4 State Sparta  
(MHSAA assigned)

**Baseball - 4 p.m.**  
[Varsity, J. Varsity]  
Apr. 5 G.R. Central Lowell  
Varsity - 1-3 at Lowell  
J.V. - 1-3 at Hillcrest (G.R.)  
Apr. 7 Lakewood Belding  
Apr. 9 Ionia (Double Header)  
10-12 Varsity only - Lowell  
Apr. 12 Fremont Lowell  
Apr. 14 Sparta Sparta  
Apr. 15 Caledonia Caledonia  
Varsity only  
J. Varsity - Lowell  
Apr. 16 F.H. Northern Lowell  
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Apr. 26 Cedar Springs Lowell  
May 3 Greenville Lowell  
May 5 Lakewood Lakewood  
May 10 Belding Belding  
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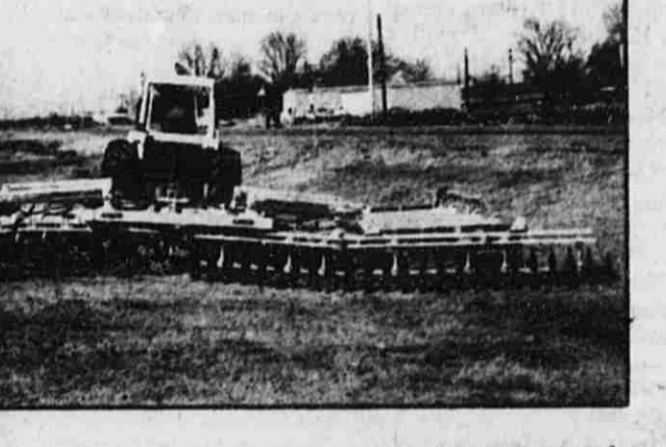


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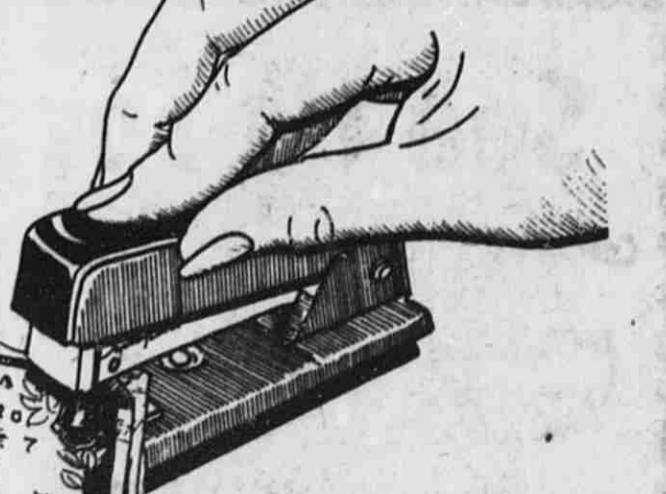
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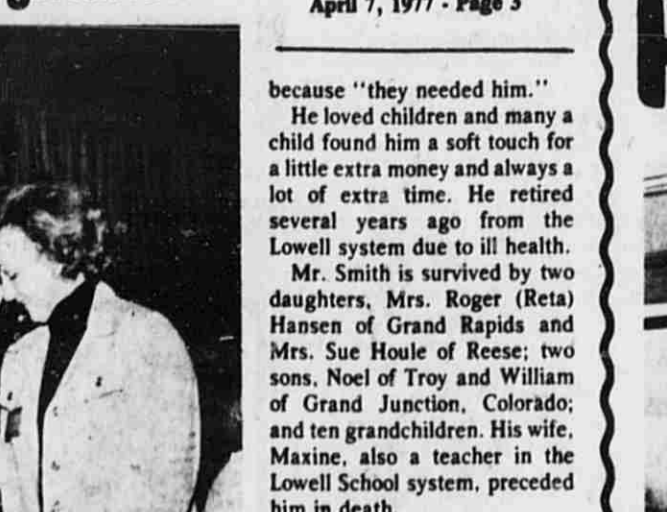
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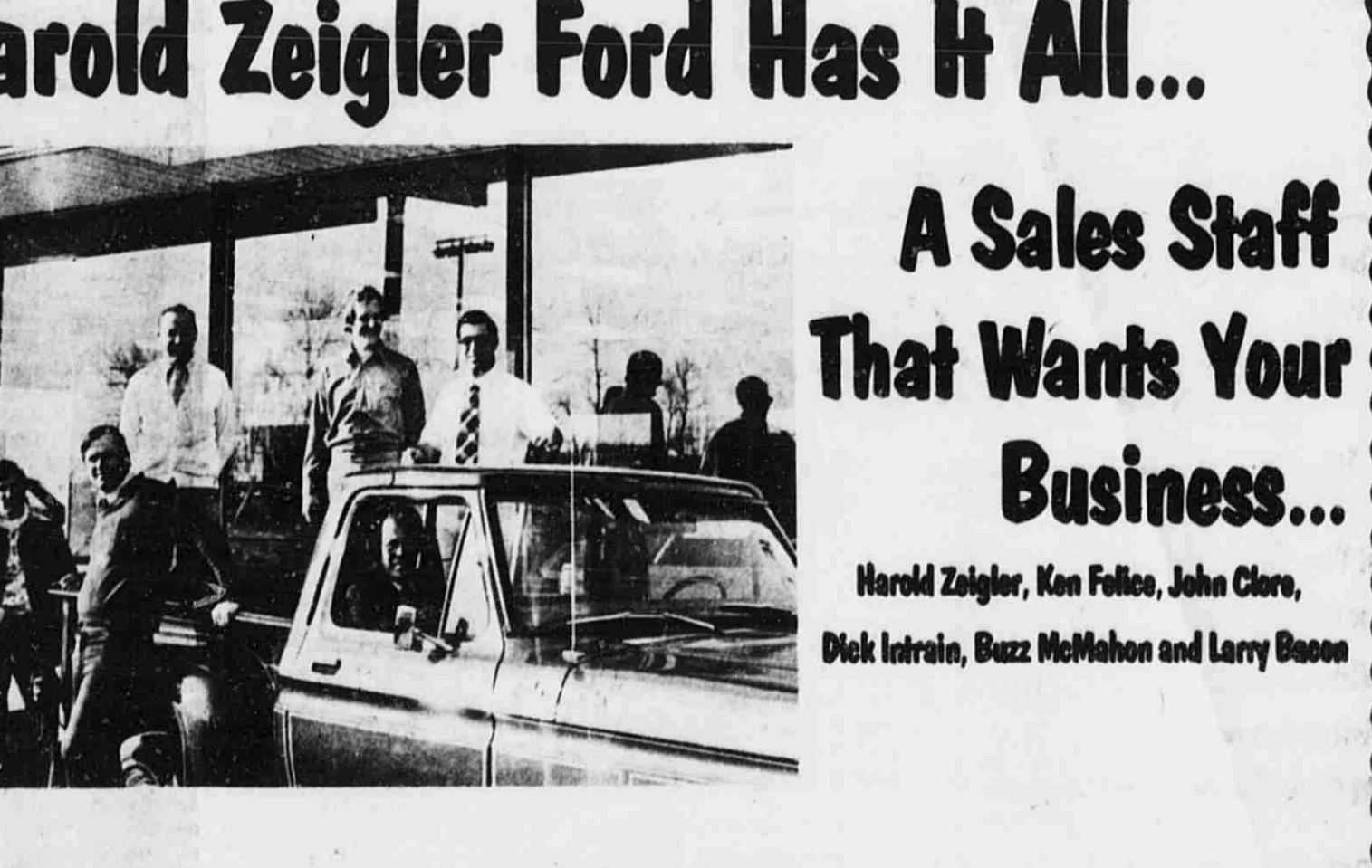
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CITY OF LOWELL COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Official Proceedings of the City Council of the City of Lowell, Michigan, Regular Meeting of Monday, March 21, 1977. The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Christiansen at 8:00 p.m.

Change of voting precinct boundary lines. Councilmembers next discussed the changing of the two City Voting Precincts. It was noted that the idea has been talked about before...

WHEREAS, it is necessary to balance the number of registered voters in each of the City's two voting precincts, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the existing boundary line, namely, the center of Flit River, south from the north City Limits to the South City Limits is hereby amended as follows:

WHEREAS, said request has been reviewed and recommended for approval by Williams and Works, Inc. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Treasurer are hereby authorized to execute a check in the amount of \$49,897.30 payable to Triangle Associates, Inc.

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the residents of the City of Lowell to waive the required bid procedure, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an agreement between the City of Lowell and Biggs, Hall and Hauserman to provide an independent audit of the City's financial condition at the end of the 1976-77 fiscal year.

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IN AND AROUND SARANAC with Karen Gregory

Look Closer At Public Act 116 Some 300 farmer-land owners on Thursday, March 31, attended a meeting on Public Act 116, "Farmland and Open Space Preservation Act."

WHEREAS, it is necessary to balance the number of registered voters in each of the City's two voting precincts, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the existing boundary line, namely, the center of Flit River, south from the north City Limits to the South City Limits is hereby amended as follows:

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**March Records  
 Nine Accidents**

While winter is not quite behind us yet, the mild weather that has prevailed, has cut down the rate of traffic accidents within the City limits of Lowell. During the month of March, the Lowell Police Department handled only nine traffic accidents; two which involved personal injuries.

On March 23, officers investigated a property damage accident on Center Street, where John Fleetham of Sunfield, backing from a private drive was struck by a vehicle driven by Terry Eickhoff of Lowell.

Mrs. Cheryl Taylor and her four-month-old daughter were slightly injured last Friday, when the car they were riding in, driven by her husband, Darrell, was involved in a mishap at the intersection of Washington and Main. The second car involved was driven by Cheryl Spicer of Lowell.

An accident Saturday morning between two pickup trucks on Main Street, near Lafayette, damaged vehicles driven by James Gasper of Belding and Kenneth Fletstra of Sault Ste Marie, as both attempted to turn into the City parking lot on the way to King Milling Company.

Involved in a three-car pile up at Main and Hudson Streets last Thursday afternoon were Veronica Rossman, John Miner and Ronnie Dawson. All three vehicles were stopped for the traffic light, when Rossman's car started a chain reaction accident. No one was injured.

A property damage accident Friday, April 1, at Main and Jefferson Streets involved vehicles driven by Grace Wright and Denise Calwallader.

**Take Bids  
 To Repair  
 Ada Bridge**

Bids for the repair of the M-21 bridge deck over the Grand River at Ada will be opened April 20 by the Michigan Department of Highways and Transportation in Lansing, reports Hubert J. Koster, district construction engineer at the Grand Rapids headquarters of the MDHT.

Estimate of the cost of the project is \$210,000, he says. Repairs, to include major patching followed by a new surface of 2-inch-thick concrete overlay, is expected to take about a month. Flaking has made the deck rough.

"This project was to have been done in the next three or four years, but because M-21 between Ada and the East Beltline is being widened to four lanes, necessitating detours, the plans were changed to repair the deck now, thus eliminating the need for detours later," Koster explains.

The Ada Bridge, as it is commonly known, was completed in November of 1957, replacing an old, narrow, iron-truss span and eliminating two sharp turns, one on each side of the river.

**'Y' Baseball**

The Lowell YMCA has announced the start of its youth baseball program. Below is the practice schedule. Following the practice schedule, all boys will be placed on teams. There is no cost to coaches' sons.

Sign up and fees should be taken care of at the Lowell YMCA Office, 323 W. Main, 897-7375, prior to the first practice.

**Pony Baseball League**  
 For all Lowell and Alto 13 & 14-year-old boys. A boy who will be 13 years of age before August 1, 1977, should sign up for this league.

A boy who will be 15 before August 1, 1977, is too old for this league. Metal spikes are permitted. In this league all boys will practice in Lowell.

**PRACTICE SCHEDULE**  
 Thurs., Apr. 14, 6:15-7:30 p.m.  
 Thurs., Apr. 21, 6:15-7:30 p.m.  
 Sat. Apr. 16, 9:30-10:45 a.m.  
 Sat., Apr. 23, 9:30-10:45 a.m.

**Little League Baseball**  
 For 9, 10, 11 and 12-year-old boys. A boy who will be 9 years of age before August 1, 1977, should sign up for this program.

A boy who is 13 years of age before August 1, 1977, should sign up for Pony League Baseball. Metal spikes are not allowed. Tennis shoes are most common—rubber spikes may be worn.

**PRACTICE SCHEDULE**  
 9 & 10 Year Olds  
 Mon., Apr. 11, 6:15-7:30 p.m.

Sat., Apr. 16, 1-2:15 p.m.  
 Mon., Apr. 18, 6:15-7:30 p.m.  
 Sat., Apr. 23, 1:00-2:15 p.m.  
**11 & 12 Year Olds**  
 Tue. Apr. 12, 6:15-7:30 p.m.  
 Sat., Apr. 16, 10:45-12:00 Noon.  
 Tue. Apr. 19, 6:15-7:30 p.m.  
 Sat., Apr. 23, 10:45-12:00 Noon.  
 Alto boys practice at Alto at same times.

**Coaches Needed**

If any adults are interested in volunteering their services as a coach this spring and summer in the Lowell YMCA ball program, they are asked to call the "Y" office (897-7375).

Coaches are needed in boy's and girl's softball, Little and Pony League baseball.

Sons and daughters of coaches are not required to pay a fee for their participation.

**Get Two Firsts At  
 Ensemble Festival**

Six groups from Lowell Senior High attended the State Solo-Ensemble Festival held at Ferris State College on March 26.

Receiving first division ratings of excellence were Cindy Marks; flute solo and Brian Raymor; piano solo.

Second division ratings were earned by Dolly Gerard, flute solo; Mike Lessens, baritone solo; and Terry Raymor, bass clarinet solo.

A duet by Della Rogers and Terry Raymor received a third division rating. Congratulations to all who participated.

**White Elephant Sale**

Bargains, Bargains, and more bargains. That's what you can find at the giant rummage sale sponsored by the 1977 graduating class of Lowell Senior High.

The event will take place Friday, April 15, 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on Saturday, April 16, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the big cement building at the 4-H grounds in Lowell.

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