

# The Grand Valley Ledger

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

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PRICE FIFTEEN CENTS



**ABSENTEE VOTER'S** ballots for the June 13 Annual School Election, Lowell Area Schools, are now available at the Superintendent's Office, 700 Elizabeth Street. Voters will get a chance to elect one member to the School Board for a four year term expiring June, 1981. There are four candidates—Allan Baird, Tom Burger, Harold Metternick (incumbent), and Lloyd Miller. Also on the ballot is a proposition to raise one mill for the purpose of providing additional funds for operating purposes.

**A BIG VOTE** of thanks has been extended to Sgt. Jim Hutson and his son-in-law, Bill Brown, who joined the corps of Lions and Rotarians in the application of a new coat of paint to the Foreman Building in Recreation Park on May 21.

**ROBERT ELZINGA**, a vice-president at the State Savings Bank of Lowell, East Main Street, has completed his first session (May 16-27) at the School of Banking at Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant. The School, established through the cooperation of the Michigan Bankers' Association and the School of Business Administration at CMU, offers general management and banking courses.

**THE 1976 GRADUATING** class of Lowell High School is planning a one year reunion. There'll be nothing fancy when the group meets at Dick's Lakeside Inn at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, June 3. Besides reviving old memories and getting re-acquainted, the class will dance to the music of the Good News Band, but reminded one class spokesman, you'll be required to buy your own refreshments.

**THE X-RAY MOBILE UNIT** of the Tuberculosis, Health and Emphysema Society of West Michigan will be in Lowell on Monday and Tuesday, June 6 and 7, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. The unit will be set up in the parking lot at Lippert's Pharmacy at 413 East Main Street. The staff closes the bus for lunch from 1 to 1:45 p.m.

**NEWS ALONG MAIN STREET!** The office building housing Lippert's Pharmacy's headquarters on West Main Street is getting a new coat of paint. . . a remodeling program is underway at the Village Inn on West Main Street. . . Luchessi Pizza on East Main Street has a new store front. . . Kaptain's Korner sports a new sign for their recently opened new department "Maiden Voyage."

**AFTER BEING IN BUSINESS** for over 50 years, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Linton of Alto have sold their stock in the R. J. Linton Lumber Company to their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne (Joan) Durkee. Mr. Durkee has been in the lumber business for 14 years and will continue to maintain the same standards Mr. Linton practiced for the last 50 years. Mr. Linton will remain on the board in an advisory position and hopes to see all the customers in the office, if he's not "fishing or in Florida."

**A PUBLIC MEETING** has been scheduled for Monday evening, June 6, 8:30 p.m. at the Lowell Middle School, to hold a question and answer discussion on the proposed millage election. The discussion will evolve around what it means to you, but more important, what it means to the children of this school district.

**YMCA REFRESHING** Splash Hours at the Y Pool are Weekdays, 3:30-5 p.m., and Weekends, 2-4 p.m. Beginning June 20 a full schedule of Learn to Swim Classes, Swim Team, Synchronized Swim Lessons and Recreation swims.

**THE EAST KENT Community Center** is providing a summer parks and day camp program (ages 4-13) and a youth club for the children of the Lowell and Ada areas. For further information, call Amy, at the East Kent Community Center, 897-8441. Watch for more details in weeks to come.

**ON SATURDAY, June 11**, there will be a car wash at the Zephyr Station on West Main Street, sponsored by the Lowell Area Jaycees. All proceeds will go toward the heart monitor that will be used in the ambulance for the citizens of Lowell and vicinity at no charge. Watch next week's paper for further details.

## Health Unit Here Once Each Month

The Mobile Health Unit, a free service, sponsored by the Kent County Health Department in cooperation with the Kent County March of Dimes and local community people, comes to Lowell the second Wednesday of every month.

The unit, on these Wednesdays, is parked at the Clark-Ellis American Legion Building at 805 East Main Street, and is open from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m. No appointments are necessary, and the clinic is open to all age groups.

The services provided by the Public Health Nurse and technicians on the unit include: Immunization shots for infants, pre-school age children and adults; blood tests for sugar and cholesterol; pregnancy, pap tests and blood pressure tests, etc.

Since it is sponsored by the March of Dimes, special emphasis is placed on young mothers and children, but anyone is welcome to come. Unless more people utilize this free service, it may have to be terminated.

## BOARD MEETINGS

The Grattan Township Board hold their regular monthly meetings the second Monday of the month. These meetings are open to all interested citizens. The Board meets at 8 p.m.

**VANITY HAIR FASHIONS** — Open six days a week. Appointments not always necessary. Phone 897-7596. c26-29

## Complete Courses In EMT

E-Unit emergency medical treatment in populated cities and counties is an average of only five minutes away. But for some out-of-the-way village and township accident victims help depends on the availability of E-Unit personnel and equipment.

For those who must rely on E-Unit help in day-to-day life-and-death situations, the wait is growing smaller and smaller because of many concerned private citizens.

Many city, town and village citizens are taking steps to graduate qualified and responsible Emergency Medical Treatment trained personnel. Concerned citizens can be that crucial difference between life and death.

More than 425 students of the Emergency Medical Training Programs of the School of Health Sciences of Grand Valley State were honored at its Certificate Award Ceremony for graduates held at the Colleges' Louis Armstrong Theatre, Friday, April 22.

Graduates completed courses during fall, 1976, winter 1977, and spring, 1977. The group includes those who completed Basic E.M.T. and Advanced E.M.T. (cardiology), as well as modified programs for specialized areas of need, E.M.T. for School Personnel, Dental E.M.T. and Industrial E.M.T.

Completing the E.M.T. courses, from this area, at Grand Valley State College were: Advanced: Christine Knapp, Ken and Robert Morris of Ada; Rita Conlisk, Lowell.

Dental: Bobbie Beckett, Sharon Roggenbuck, Ada; Beverly Jansma and Peggy McCaul, Lowell.

Industrial: John Stark, Ada; Robert Blatt, Alto. Basic: Carla Berg, Thomas Boersma, Thomas Carpenter, Michael Johns, Christine Knapp, Ron Knapp, Margaret Milanowski, Ken Morris, Robert Morris, Ronald Thomet, Ada; Gayle Andrus, Alto; Mark Armstrong, Richard Conlisk, Rita Conlisk, Willard Hinzman, Mary Todocscuk, Lowell.

## Talent Search

Auditions for the annual Lowell Showboat amateur talent contest will be held June 14-15 at the Lowell High School at 7 p.m.

The official talent night contest will be held July 16 in Lowell with the selected amateurs performing on the Lowell Showboat program starting July 25 through July 30 at 9 p.m.

Deadline for talent auditions has been set for June 10. All contestants must register by sending name and number of persons in group to Lowell Showboat, Box 56, Lowell, MI 49331.

"We are taking applications for all types of amateur talent from all sections of Michigan. For years we have had some of the finest amateur acts in the state performing on our Lowell Showboat program and from all indications, the tradition will continue," explains Dr. Clark Vredenburg, talent contest director.

This year's Lowell Showboat star attraction is well-known and talented vocalist Pearl Bailey, who will be featuring a number of her songs from 'Hello Dolly' and 'Porgy & Bess.' c29

## Ada Youth Killed In Auto Crash

Robert M. Shafer, aged 17, of 8247 Vergennes Road, S.E., Ada, was killed early Saturday morning, around 1 a.m., when he apparently lost control of his car and it rolled into a ditch in Vergennes Township, near the intersection of North Hudson and Lincoln Lake Avenue.

Schafer and his passenger, eighteen-year-old Douglas Clark of Lowell, were thrown from the vehicle. Schafer died at Blodgett Memorial Medical Center of head injuries, and Clark is listed in satisfactory condition at Blodgett with leg fractures.

Sheriff Dupluis said Schafer was northbound on North Hudson when he apparently lost control of his car and it went into a roadside ditch.

The victim was a senior at Forest Hills High School. Funeral Mass was said Tuesday morning, May 31 at St. Patrick's Church, Parnell, Rev. Fr. Kenneth Schichtel, celebrant. Burial was made in Parnell Cemetery. Arrangements by Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jay (Mary) O'Connor and Robert Schafer; a brother, James; a sister, Kathy; his grandparents, James Fox of Parnell, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer of Sparta and Alice O'Connor of Carson City.

## Cascade Rd. Resurfacing

Resurfacing of Cascade Road between Hall Street and the village of Cascade SE is moving ahead with dispatch and is expected to be completed by the end of June.

So reports an aide from Grand Rapids Asphalt Paving Co., which made a joint bid of \$469,403 with Gillissee Construction Co. of Grand Rapids on the project.

Widening of the shoulders with gravel as a base for blacktopped bicycle paths on each side of the road is taking place. The raised, concrete median of the four-lane road has been removed and blacktopping has been underway for about three weeks.

Each lane is being widened to 12 feet, and curbs and gutters are to be installed.

This project connects to the resurfacing of Cascade Road last year between Int. 96 and Hall Street.

The present improvement was programmed by the Kent County Road Commission which is paying about 30 percent of the cost, with federal funds the remainder.—Dave Barnes.

## Hit By Car

Leonard Westervelt, 12, of 791 Flat River Drive, S.E., Lowell, was struck and injured by a car as he left a school bus last Thursday morning.

He was struck by a car driven by Claire Van Dusen of Grand Rapids, on Mayfield Avenue in Grand Rapids, near the Kent Education Center.

Westervelt sustained a closed head injury and is in Butterworth Hospital.

**ROSE DRIVE INN** — 800 W. Main St., Lowell. This Week's Special: Hot Dogs, 29c. Yogurt Comes, 40c. Broasted Chicken To Go, Tuesday, \$3.99. 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. c29

## Ada Sets September Election



KNAPP STREET FIRE STATION  
ALEXANDER GRANT - ARCHITECT  
George Herry - associate architect

Ada's proposed fire station for the north part of the township.

The Ada Township Board has approved Sept. 13 as the date for a vote on two millages, one for financing a new fire station, estimated at \$100,000, and the other for a safety fund for added fire and police protection, reports Supervisor John H. Forshar.

He has pointed out that the northern half of the township is without a fire station and the

township has grown to such an extent that that half needs greater fire and police protection, which, in itself, is increasing in cost.

The millages have not yet been determined.

The new station would be built on about one triangular-shaped acre on Knapp St. three quarters of a mile west of Honeycreek Avenue NE.

Forty-six by 80 1/2 feet, the building will have two truck bays, and apparatus room, hose tower, meeting room to be used for gatherings and voting, rest-room facilities and a storage and utility room.

It will be made of fluted concrete masonry units and will have a flat roof, insulation and anodized aluminum windows with insulated glass.

There will be an offstreet, blacktop parking area for 12 cars.

The new station has been designed by George F. Herry Jr. associated with Alexander Grant, both registered architects in Ada.

Ada voters also will ballot Sept. 13 on increasing the township board from five to seven members.—Dave Barnes

## Parnell Horse Owner Featured In Book



Raising and showing horses for over 60 years, Justin McCarthy of Parnell, says the thrill of working with big horses is something he always enjoyed.

One of this area's leading draft horse enthusiasts is featured in a new book that will especially be appealing to everyone who remembers when horses helped farm most of the land.

Justin McCarthy of Parnell is featured in a new 260-page book called "Horsepower" that tells the story of the people who have continued to raise draft horses in the face of modern mechanization.

But what makes this book unique is that it isn't about the breeding, feeding and managing of draft horses—instead, it's about the people who own draft horses. It tells of their pride, frustration, concerns and excitement while owning these mammoth horses.

"Horsepower" lets you take an armchair visit with more than 150 draft horse owners through-

out the United States and Canada. You'll feel you're standing right on their farms, leaning on a fence, as each of them tells you in conversational tones of their experiences with draft horses while owning, showing, working or competing in pulling contests with them.

The big 260-page book (8 1/2-in by 11-in.) was compiled over the last two years by Frank Lessiter, who also shot many of the more than 300 photos that illustrate the book.

Lessiter visited the farms of owners of every major breed, and the result is a conversation with each owner, who tells in detail why he prefers his particular breed over the others.

Lessiter interviewed consistent winners of horse pulling contests, too, and each owner describes his techniques, training sessions and the thrill of

winning. The book also illustrates the "old days" of farming, when a farmer depended on his team to farm the land.

Farmers who lived through those days are shown and quoted in the book's 33 chapters, vividly recalling the long days on a horse-drawn cultivator, the 12-horse hitch that pulled the grain binders, the horse-drawn buggies and sleighs that provided family transportation.

"Horsepower is a book that should prove to be a 'spellbinder' for those who have memories of big work horses still lingering in their hearts. It's available at \$11.95 per copy from Reiman Publications, 611 East Wells St., Milwaukee, WI 53202.

What's more it's guaranteed—if you're not completely satisfied with it, return it within a

week and the publisher will return its purchase price, no questions asked.

## IF WHEAT WAS FREE!

Remember three years ago, wheat was selling for \$6 per bushel—a one-pound loaf of bread for 32.5 cents? And the American Bakers Association predicted \$1 bread? Today, wheat is selling for \$2.50 per bushel—so the price of bread should be lower right? Wrong. The average price for a one-pound loaf today is 35.4 cents—2.9 cents higher than when wheat was selling for \$6. What it all adds up to is this: if farmers were to give their wheat away, the price of bread would be almost the same as it was three years ago when wheat was \$6. Does that make sense?

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Wed 60 Years
Mr. and Mrs. James B. Ballard of 7777 Snow Avenue, Alto, will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on Sunday, June 5, with an open house, from 2 to 7 p.m. at the Lyle Stouffer home, 9721-76th Street, S.E., Alto.

THIN GARDEN CROPS AND FLOWERS
It may seem wasteful to thin garden crops and flowers but it pays off in the end.

Clacks Hear Oral Roberts

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Clark of Lowell recently attended a layman's seminar on the campus of Oral Roberts University in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Nearly 3,000 persons from across the United States and Canada were guests of the University for the 4-day event.

The seminar was for one of several held on the campus this year. In addition to seminar guests, some 175,000 persons tour the campus each year. ORU is Oklahoma's number one tourist attraction, according to the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce.

In addition to the 19 major campus buildings, the guests had an opportunity to visit the new University Village, a complete retirement center for 450 residents, established by the Oral Roberts Association and located adjacent to the campus.

Oral Roberts University, in its 12th year, has an enrollment of some 3,500 students. ORU offers 29 majors on the undergraduate level and Master of Business Administration, Master of Divinity, and Master of Arts in Theology degrees.

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Eleven Youth Unite With Church

If you would like to spend at least part of your summer helping to make sure there is an adequate supply of life-sustaining blood at area hospitals, call Carol Rizer at the Kent County Red Cross at 456-8661.

COMING EVENTS

THURS., JUNE 2: The Vergennes Co-operative Club will meet Thursday, June 2, 1:30 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Irma Richmond; co-hostess, Mrs. Thelma Roth. Mrs. Dottie Roth has charge of the program "Current Book Reviews."

FRI., JUNE 3: Attention Class of 1976—we are having a one year class reunion Friday, June 3 at Dick's Lakeside Inn, 7:30 p.m. Nothing fancy, just a party.

TUES., JUNE 7: The TOPS Club meets every Tuesday at St. Mary's School, 7:30 p.m. with weigh-ins at 7 to 7:30. Visitors and new members are welcome.

FRI., JUNE 10: The next regular meeting of Cyclamen Eastern Star will be held Friday, June 10, 8 p.m. at the Lowell Masonic Hall. All past Matrons and Patrons will be honored.

SAT., JUNE 11: The Vergennes United Methodist Church is having their Annual Ox Roast & Bazaar Saturday, June 11, on the Fallsburg Park Pavilion.

MON., JUNE 13: The Golden Swingers will hold their monthly potluck supper and program on Monday, June 13 at 6 p.m., at the Fallsburg Park Pavilion.

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Confirmed and received into the First United Methodist Church of Lowell on Sunday, May 22, were (seated, left to right) Jill Bailey, Shawn Yeter, Brooke Brown, Diane Blinneman, Jodi Meredith, Debra Engler, (standing, left to right) Paul Rittenger, Robert Moore, Philip Kline, Eric Swift, Jon Silva.

Masons Elect Officers

At their annual convocation on Thursday, May 26, Hooker Chapter No. 73 of Royal Arch Masons, elected and installed new officers for the ensuing Capitular year.

Since all have been active Masons for years and most had previously served as officers, it is expected that with their experience Hooker Chapter will continue to prosper.

The elective officers were filled out as follows: Excellent High Priest, Gerald O. Rivette; King, Harvey M. McClure; Scribe, Clark R. Parsons; Treasurer, Orval E. Jessup; Secretary, George H. Nowak; Captain of the Host, Wayne R. Stuart; Principal Sojourner, J. Fred Cahoon; Royal Arch Captain, John L. Strachan; Third Veil, Richard J. Desnoes; Second Veil, Major M. Bogert; First Veil, Gardner E. Compton; and Sentinel, Kenneth F. Graham.

The formal election was followed by an impressive ceremony of installation, conducted by Richard Shumaker, Grand Master of the First Veil, with Melvin Barclay, District Deputy Instructor as Chaplain, and Albert Cronheim, Past High Priest of Grand Rapids Chapter No. 7 acting as Captain of the Host, to complete the installing staff. Light refreshments afterwards completed the evening.

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Rev. Keith McIver
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Sunday, June 5
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11 a. m. and 6 p. m.

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THURS., MAY 26: Baked Bar-Que Chicken with Potato, Salad, \$3.25.

SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS

Lowell Area Schools, Lowell, Michigan, Board of Education Regular Meeting, May 9, 1977.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Roberts. Roll Call—Members Present: Roberts, Metternick, Miller, Thaler, Kropf, Dowling, Pfalter.

Members Absent: Janema. The Portion of the lapse of the March 31, 1977 meeting relating to the renewal of continuing contracts of administrators was played.

Motion by Miller, seconded by Kropf, to approve the minutes of the March 30, 1977 meeting.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 2 Motion Carried. Board members Thaler and Metternick voted in opposition to the approval of the minutes because they felt they were denied the privilege of voting in opposition to the non-renewal of the contracts of Leonard Sinko and Robert Cousens.

Motion by Metternick, seconded by Miller, to approve the minutes of the April 11, 1977 meeting.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried. Motion by Thaler, seconded by Dowling, to approve the minutes of the April 18, 1977 meeting.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried. Motion by Miller, seconded by Metternick, to approve the minutes of the April 25, 1977 meeting.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried. Motion by Thaler, seconded by Dowling, to approve the minutes of the May 2, 1977 meeting.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried. Motion by Dowling, seconded by Metternick, to approve payment of General Fund bills as listed.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried. Motion by Thaler, seconded by Kropf, to approve payment of Building and Site bills as listed.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried. Motion by Miller, seconded by Kropf, to approve the Agenda, as amended.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried. OLD BUSINESS

1. Brochure, The Welcome to the Board Meeting brochure has been printed and is now available.

LEGAL NOTICES
SOLICITATION FOR BIDS
The Kent County Purchasing Department is soliciting bids for the (sealed) listed below. Detailed specifications are available at the Purchasing Office, Room 222, Administration Building, 300 Monroe Avenue, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503.

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING
State of Michigan, The Probate Court For the County of Kent
ESTATE OF RUBY N. WOON, M. I. File No. 130,791

TAKE NOTICE: On August 3, 1977, at 9:30 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom, Grand Rapids, Michigan, before the Hon. A. Dale Stapp, Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held on claims against said estate.

Barhart & Cooper, P.C. Attorney for Petitioner: By: Robert J. DeBoer 1125 W. Main St. Lowell, Mich. 49331 Phone 897-9218 James N. Woon, Petitioner 1111 Dennison St. Oxford, MI 48051

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING
State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Kent
ESTATE OF FREDERICA COOPER, M. I. File No. 130,858

TAKE NOTICE: On August 3, 1977, at 9:30 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom, Grand Rapids, Michigan, before the Hon. A. Dale Stapp, Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held on claims against said estate.

Barhart & Cooper, P.C. Attorney for Petitioner: By: Robert J. DeBoer 1125 W. Main St. Lowell, Mich. 49331 Phone 897-9218 Gertrude DeGood, Petitioner 10721-60th St. Alto, MI 49302

2. Railroad Crossing. Mr. Metternick reported on the Policy Committee's inspection of the railroad crossing between Bushnell and Valley Vista. Due to the lack of funds to provide other alternatives, the Board will close off that crossing, making it the responsibility of parents to see that their children get to school safely.

Motion by Metternick, seconded by Kropf, to install a five foot, non-climbing fence for 150 feet from the existing Bushnell playground fence.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 1 Motion Carried.

3. Millage Proposal. Motion by Thaler, seconded by Metternick, to place the following proposal on the ballot at the June 13, 1977 annual election:

"Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Lowell Area Schools, Kent and Ionia Counties, Michigan, be increased by 1 mill (\$1.00 on each \$1,000.00 of state equalized valuation) for a period of 1 year, 1977, for the purpose of providing additional funds for operating purposes?"

Ayes: Metternick, Miller, Roberts, Thaler. Nays: Kropf, Dowling. Motion Carried.

4. County Allocation. Mr. Sinko reported on the Kent County Allocation Board hearing. It now appears that we will receive the same 10.1 allocated millage from the board.

5. Middle School Accredited. Mr. Gabrion reported that we have received a letter from the North Central Association accrediting our Middle School with the Association.

6. Released Time. Mr. Sinko and Mr. McMahon reported that they have reached agreement with Fr. Lawrie from St. Mary's to release high school and middle school students two hours a month next year.

7. Campaign Financing Act. Board members were given Campaign Financing Act updated materials.

8. Nepotism. Proposed board policies 4111.3 and 4211.1 on Nepotism were presented for board consideration.

9. Arbitration. Board members were reminded of the hearing on May 20, 1977, with the American Arbitration Association on the L.E.A.'s grievance concerning Mrs. Blodgett and Mr. Kooyer.

10. Lawsuit. Mr. Sinko reported that we are very close to resolving the Collings lawsuit.

11. Administrator Contracts. Mr. Kropf and Mr. Miller reported on the administrator contract proposal.

Motion by Kropf, seconded by Miller, to table the matter until the next board meeting.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Fence by Bill Diamond. Mr. Sinko reported on a meeting with the city manager, Ray Quada, concerning a fence to be constructed along the west side of the baseball diamond by the Michigan Wire Processing Company.

Motion by Thaler, seconded by Dowling, to grant the request to install fencing off of the property line on the school side, with the provision that we receive a written agreement that the fence line does not become the property line.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried.

2. Assessment for Cable. Motion by Miller, seconded by Metternick, to grant the Michigan Bell Telephone Company an easement to bury cable along the school property on Alden Nash.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried.

3. Census. The board discussed the necessity for taking a school census this month.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried.

Nancy J. Wood, Director of Elections

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GIFTS FOR GRADUATES
Make Lippert's Your First Stop For Graduation Gifts, Cards & Flowers!
LIPPETT'S LOW PRICE

4. Voter Precincts. Mr. Sinko reported on the desirability of splitting Precinct 1, pending receipt of the exact lines that will be used by the City of Lowell in splitting their precincts.

5. Delegate. President Roberts appointed Roger Kropf voting delegate at the Kent Intermediate School District election, with Wayne Dowling as alternate.

6. M.A.S.B. Mr. Miller gave board members information concerning the board's membership in the Michigan Association of School Boards.

7. Doyle Scholarships. Mr. Thaler was appointed board representative to work on the Doyle scholarships.

8. Visitors recognized.

Motion by Kropf, seconded by Thaler, to adjourn at 10:35 p.m.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried. Respectfully submitted, David W. Miller, Secretary

Take Second In Meet

It was an exciting day for the freshmen and sophomore members of the Lowell Track Team as they finished second at the J.V. Conference meet held last Thursday.

"I was quite impressed by the final results because we left half the members home who were participating in the concert that night," replied Coach Sue Meisner.

Freshman, Laura Yost and Cindy Thompson did a great job in the high jump taking a 1st and 3rd place. Laura, who never practiced high jumping before cleared the bar at 4'7". In the shot put, Marcia Ralys and Lori Gahan took a 1st and 5th place with distances of 29' 10" and 28' 5 1/2", respectively. Elaine Blasher placed 1st in the long jump with a distance of 15' 1".

Others scoring points for the team were: the 880 relay team (Elaine Blasher, Anner Smith, Alyson Althaus, Jane Bailey), with a second place time of 1:56.7; in the 100 yard dash—Cindy Thompson (12.3 and 2nd place) and "Sam" Willard (12.9 and 6th place). Kelly Robbin placed 4th in the hurdles (19.27). Lyndsay Machado took 6th in the 440 with a 69. the 440 relay team placed 1st with a 55.5 (Jane Bailey, Ann Smith, Diane Frazer, and Cindy Thompson), in the 220 yard dash taking 1st was Cindy Thompson (28.5). 3rd was Ann Smith (29.2) and 6th was Elaine Blasher (29.36) and last but not least, the mile relay

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried.

1. Fence by Bill Diamond. Mr. Sinko reported on a meeting with the city manager, Ray Quada, concerning a fence to be constructed along the west side of the baseball diamond by the Michigan Wire Processing Company.

Motion by Thaler, seconded by Dowling, to grant the request to install fencing off of the property line on the school side, with the provision that we receive a written agreement that the fence line does not become the property line.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried.

2. Assessment for Cable. Motion by Miller, seconded by Metternick, to grant the Michigan Bell Telephone Company an easement to bury cable along the school property on Alden Nash.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried.

3. Census. The board discussed the necessity for taking a school census this month.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion Carried.

Nancy J. Wood, Director of Elections

c29 & 30

City Of Lowell NOMINATING PETITIONS
Nominating Petitions for seats on Lowell City Council must be filed by 3:00 p.m. June 14, 1977. Petitions may be obtained from the City Clerk's office at 301 East Main Street, City Hall, during regular working hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Nancy J. Wood, Director of Elections

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Alaska Assignment

Army Specialist Five Morris J. Osborne Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris J. Osborne, 7071 Timpan Ave., Alto, recently was assigned as an avionic specialist with the 22ndnd Aviation Battalion at Ft. Wainwright, Alaska.

Spec. Osborne entered the Army in September 1967. The specialist's wife, Connie, is with him at the Fort.

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## 4-H Riding Program For Handicappers

The Ionia County Extension 4-H program is in the process of expanding to include Horseback Riding for the Handicapper. Although the program has been in existence in other Michigan Counties for several years, it has only been since March 1977 that Ionia County has had a qualified instructor.

Ms. Sue Reimer, 19, of Ionia successfully completed the instructor course, at the nationally famous Cheff Center for the Handicapped, in March.

Horseback Riding for the Handicapper has two main objectives, according to Mary King, Ionia County 4-H Youth Agent. Most importantly, it is people oriented—that is, providing an opportunity for individuals to work, learn, and enjoy themselves in a friendly atmosphere. As a result, the self-respect and dignity of those involved increases. Secondly, skill will be learned by these participants, again, making a contribution to the individual's confidence.

On June 2, 1977 at 8 p.m. in

## Clark Gets D.O. Degree

A Doctor of Osteopathy degree was conferred upon Robert C. Clark of Saranac by Kirkville College of Osteopathic Medicine in a morning convocation Monday, May 23, in Kirkville, Missouri.

Dr. Clark was joined for the festivities by his parents, Robert and Zeida Clark and brother David of Saranac, sister Ann of Chicago, wife Patricia of Kirkville, and sister-in-law Debbie Adams of Wayland, Michigan.

James L. Goddard, M.D., chairman of the board of the Ormont Drug and Chemical Company, Inc. and convocation speaker, gave the 113 members of the 141st senior class, the nation's oldest college of osteopathic medicine, his predictions regarding the practice of medicine by the year 2000.

George W. Romney, former governor of Michigan, gave the sermon for the Sunday evening convocation service at the regional representative of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Members of the class of 1977 were honored at the Scrip Awards Banquet Saturday evening, at which wives and parents were guests.

Clark received a certificate in recognition of his 3-year predoctorate fellowship in the Department of Osteopathic Theory and Methods and of his membership in the Undergraduate Chapter of the American Academy of Osteopathy.

## Engaged To Wed

Mr. and Mrs. Don Benjamin of Saranac announce the engagement of their daughter, Lori to Gordon Fulton, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Fulton of Ionia.

No wedding date has been set by the couple.

## Loses To Portland

Portland 15, Saranac 5. Saranac's newly formed Tri-County team held the lead through the 5th inning but couldn't withstand their opponent's 7-run rally in the 6th and another 8 runs in the following 2 innings.

D. Courter pitched the first 3 innings with J. Herrick relieving him for 3 and D. Barbour pitching the remainder of the game which was called in the 8th inning in accordance with the 10-run lead rule.

Those collecting hits for Saranac were D. Galavis, B. Galavis and J. Kimble—3 hits each; B. Miller and D. Steward—2 hits each; J. Hubbard and D. Pierce with 1 each.

Next Sunday Saranac will face Lowell at the Saranac High School Baseball field. Game time is 2 p.m.

## Tie For Tenth At Regionals

Saranac finished in the tie for tenth place in an 18 team track regional held at Porterville last Saturday. Host Porterville took the regional team title.

Receiving medals for Saranac in the 800 relay which placed fifth were sprinters Steve London and Kim Yaw, sophomore Lee Jones, and freshman Lionel Haskins. Yaw and Jones also finished in the top six in the long jump and 100 yard dash respectively. Jones received another medal with a fourth place finish in the 200 just getting out at the finish line in a very close race.

Saranac came up with a number of sixth place finishes with London in 330 low hurdles, sophomore Kevin Reynolds in the high jump, and freshman Wade Chipman who recorded the fastest 1/4 mile time in the mile of all the heats and just missed fifth place by a mere 1/4 seconds.

Saranac swings back into action this week with a league meet against Vesting, on Tuesday, conference meet at Lakeview on Thursday and the Ionia-Montcalm County meet of champions which will be held this Saturday. The Redskins are coached by Craig Wittenbach.

## Saranac Baseball

Saranac 11, Montcalm 3. In the May 17 game Trent Sprague came in to pitch in the 5th inning, relieving Steve Metternick to take the win for the Redskins last week. The team joined efforts to score 5 runs in the first inning on 5 hits. 1 run in the 3rd on 2 hits, 1 run in the 4th on 2 hits, and wrapping it up with 4 runs in the 5th on a hit; S. London, 2 hits; M. VoVilla, 2 hits; C. Krieger, 2 hits; G. Rainer, 2 hits.

Montcalm scored 1 run in the 4th and 2 in the 6th.

Saranac had 11 runs on 11 hits with 2 errors and Montcalm had 3 runs on 5 hits with 2 errors.

Saranac 3, Portland 1. The May 20 game saw Steve Metternick as the winning pitcher for the Redskins as he walked 5, struck out 11 and helped out in the first inning getting a single which allowed 2 runs to score.

S. London, M. VoVilla, C. Coulson, M. Talbot and S. Metternick each had a hit in the game.

Saranac recorded 3 runs on 5 hits with 2 errors while Portland had 1 run on 5 hits with 4 errors.

Saranac 2, Pewama 8. In a game played May 26 the Redskins managed to tie the score 1-1 in the second inning with a walk, single and C.

## Special Musical Program



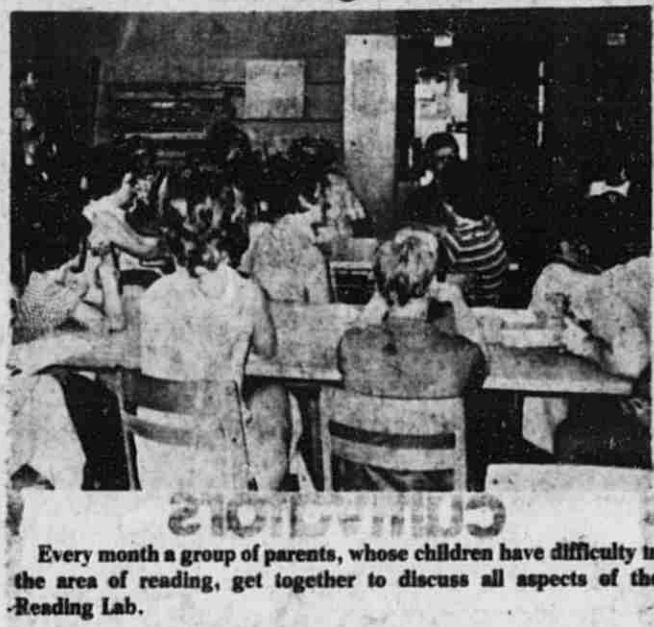
The well-known musical group, The Sherwood Singers, will be singing at the Saranac Community Church Wednesday, June 8, at 7:30 p.m. The program lasting 90 minutes will be followed by a time for fellowship. Families are invited to attend with a nursery being furnished.

## Presents Scouting Awards



Anita Sage, neighborhood chairman of the Saranac Girl Scouts presents awards to deserving Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts for their achievements during the year.

## Discuss Reading Lab



Every month a group of parents, whose children have difficulty in the area of reading, get together to discuss all aspects of the Reading Lab.

## Custodian Falls

Phil Rhoades, custodian for Saranac Schools fell about 20 feet from a ladder while working on the press box on the football field last Thursday.

He was taken to Fording Hospital and is reported to be in satisfactory condition.

Other News  
District Court: Mark A. Miller, 21, 439 David Highway paid \$19 for speeding May 10. Thomas D. Page, 24, 4948 Grand River Ave., paid \$19 May 11 for speeding May 7. Robert Bar-tosh, 46, 64 Church St., paid \$14 for speeding May 6.

Marriage Licenses: David L. Barnes, 27, 7201 Bluewater Highway, Saranac and Jane A. McNally, 20, 7201 Bluewater Highway, Saranac.

Divorces Granted: Donald Emelander of Saranac from Coleen M. Emelander—No minor children. Marguerite Hale of Saranac from Gregory Hale. Custody of 2 children to mother. Ionia County Memorial Hospital: Wed., Helen DuVall, 6050 Bilsa Rd.; Thurs., Mrs. Steven Wyman, 262 Summit.

VEEN OBSERVATORY OPEN TO PUBLIC  
The facilities of the James C. Veen Observatory will be open to the public from 8:30 to 11 p.m. Saturday, June 11 and Friday, June 24.

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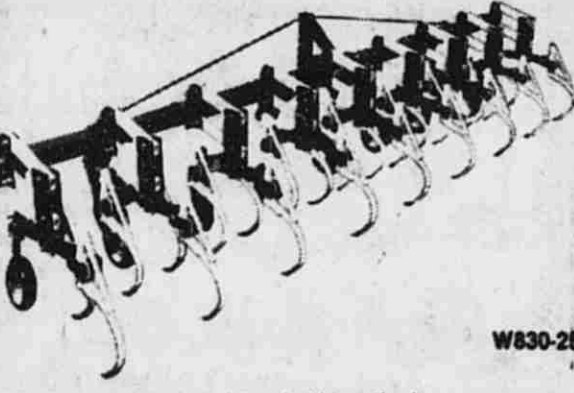
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# Arrows Split Double-Header

Five more Varsity Baseball games these last two weeks brought the Arrows' record up to 9-11. Three of these were league bringing the league record to 6-8.

Tuesday Lowell went to Greenville for a double-header splitting the two games with one win and one loss. Lowell lost the first game 19-3. Ramsey Martinez was

losing pitcher giving up 6 runs, 3 hits, 3 earned runs and 2 walks in the first 1 1/2 innings. Mark Eickhoff pitched 2 1/2 innings with 13 runs, 7 hits, 9 earned runs and 5 walks while Ken Wittenbach pitched 1 1/2 innings with 1 walk and 1 strike out.

Mark Hines hit 2 for 3 with Gary DeVries, Mark Eickhoff and Ramsey Martinez having the RBI's.

In the second game Lowell won 4-2 with Terry Molag the winning pitcher. Molag gave up 2 runs, 6 hits, 1 earned run, 4 walks and striking out 8 batters.

Mark Eickhoff hit 2 for 3 and Van Franks hit 2 for 3 with 2 RBI's. Terry Molag had the other RBI.

Wednesday Lowell went to Sparta for a qualifying game for Pre-Districts losing 3-1. Ramsey Martinez was the losing pitcher giving up 3 runs, 5 hits, 2 earned runs, 3 runs and striking out 5 batters. Mark Eickhoff hit 2 for 3 and Mark Hines had the RBI.

Against Belding Thursday Lowell lost 5-4 in extra innings. The losing pitcher was Ken Wittenbach who pitched 1 inning having 1 run and 1 strikeout during that inning. Terry Molag pitched 6 1/2 innings giving up 4 runs, 7 hits, 2 earned runs, 6 walks and striking out 2 batters. Mark Eickhoff pitched 3/4 innings with 1 hit, 2 walks and 1 strike out.

Mark Hines hit 3 for 4 with 1 double. Steve Westphal hit 2 for 4 with 2 RBI's and Ramsey Martinez hit 1 RBI and a double.

The last game of the year on May 24th was played at Coopersville as a league game. Lowell lost 10-0 in the 5th inning. The losing pitcher was Ramsey Martinez pitching 1 inning, giving up 3 runs, 1 hit, walking 5 and striking out 1.

Ken Wittenbach pitched 1 inning, giving up 3 runs, 5 hits, walking 1 and striking out 2 batters. Terry Molag pitched the last 2 innings with 4 runs, 1 hit, 1 walk and striking out 2.

Steve Westphal hit 2 for 2 with Mark Hines, Ken Wittenbach and Van Franks getting the other three hits.

League Batting Average  
Ken Wittenbach .375  
Mark Hines .341  
Dick Beach .333

## Girls Get Track Awards

The annual Girls' Track Banquet was held on Wednesday, May 25, in the Middle School Cafeteria. The following awards were presented:

Most Valuable—Nancy Bieri. Most Varsity Points—Wendy Thompson; Most Dedicated—Mary Jo Malone; Most Improved—Laurie Lotterman and Sue Wilcox; Oil Can Award—Lois Kloosterman; Most Spirited—Laurie McMahon.

Girls' Lettering during the 1977 Track season were:

Seniors—Karen Anderson, Nancy Bieri, Deb Canning, Karen Doyle, Michele Heintzman, Lois Kloosterman, Mary Jo Malone, Patty Prins, and Wendy Thompson.

Juniors—Laura Dey, Lori Hurley, Karen Kehoe, Maureen Malone, Laurie McMahon, Sharon Nugent.

Sophomores—Cathy Baird, Lori Gahan, Laurie Lotterman, Sally Oesch, Marcie Ralys, Sue Stormzand, Sue Wilcox and Lisa Willyard.

Freshmen—Chris Baird, Elaine Blasher, Diane Frazer, Lynn Homola, Lyndsay Machado, Sue Sitzer, Ann Smith, Deanna Snyder, Laura Yost and Michele Friedrich.

**New Buds On The Family Tree**  
A son, Nathaniel Royce, was born Monday, May 16, at Biedgett Medical Center to Mr. and Mrs. Scott Clay of Cascade.

## Open House Hosts



In celebration of Michigan Education Day, the kindergartners at St. Patrick's School, Parnell, were the hosts to their parents, grandparents and parishioners at an open house last Thursday morning.

## Developing Friendship . . .



It was a beautiful weekend, May 21 and 22 for the annual YMCA Father-Child Campout, with canoeing being one of the many fun activities. Kerry Tap, Travis Thomet, Jack Thomet and Nick Tap (front canoe) and Brent Collins, Steve Collins, Herm Janama and Mike Janama (second canoe) were among the 38 who enjoyed the weekend.

Attending the campout were members of the YMCA Indian Guides or Indian Princesses tribes who spend the time together developing lasting friendships.

## Aerial Photos

The recent interest in aerial photography has been such that Richard Vanderhoof, Acting State Executive Director of the Michigan State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Office, wishes to remind the public that aerial photographs are available for any given area in Michigan by contacting the Michigan State ASCS Office at 1405 South Harrison Road, East Lansing, Michigan 48823, or the local ASCS office in the county in which they reside.

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to cover 32 square miles with 16 full sections and additional surrounding areas, depending on the year flown. Vanderhoof further points out that these photos can be ordered to an exact scale so an accurate distance between points may be obtained without ground measurements.

## Air Force Grad

Technical Sergeant Robert L. Hicks II, son of Mrs. Evelyn M. Knapp of 908 E. Main, Lowell, has graduated from the Air Force Systems Command Non-Commissioned Officer Academy at Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico.

The sergeant, who received advanced military leadership and management training, is an aircraft control and warning technician at Hill Air Force Base, Utah.

Sergeant Hicks is a 1960 graduate of South High School in Grand Rapids. His wife, Linda, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Bentley of Comstock Park.



Did you ever try to talk your way out of a traffic ticket? The comments that people like me make must be incredibly funny to policemen. I got a ticket the other day for making a left hand turn from the center lane. I was in Grand Rapids and for the most part I was lost, when I pulled up to a light, lo-and-behold, there was the street that I had been looking for.

The street that I was on was a one-way but since the left lane was clear I made my turn anyway. I didn't get half a block and a policeman had me pulled over.

"What's the problem?" I said. He told me in no uncertain terms what the problem was. "Well gee officer, I didn't realize that I was on a one-way street" I said. And he replied with "Then it's lucky you weren't going the other way."

When he handed me the ticket I said, "picky, picky, picky" and to this he said "yup" and we were both on our way.

Other excuses I can remember making are "do you mean this is only a 25 mile per hour zone, where's the sign?" This one was particularly stupid because the policeman merely turned and pointed to one that was less than twenty feet from the car.

I remember once while working delivering pizzas, I failed to make a complete stop at a flashing red light. I told the policeman that the stack of pizzas on the back seat started to tip over when I applied the brakes so I coasted through the intersection to keep them from tipping all the way over. Despite what I thought was a terrific excuse, the policeman just told me not to stack the pizzas so high next time and wrote the ticket.

Once my father was caught going well over the speed limit in a small town. For the past couple of miles he had been driving directly under a low flying plane that was following the road. Paying more attention to the airplane than his driving, he soon found himself pulled over by the local police. That had to be new excuse for that policeman when my father explained his reason for speeding. The policeman was sympathetic to the point of not writing the ticket for the full amount of miles per hour over the limit, perhaps he felt that an excuse as unique as that one deserved some sort of credit.

After giving it some thought, the next time that I'm pulled over and I'm sure there will be a next time, I'm not going to offer any excuse at all. My thinking is that maybe the policeman won't know how to handle a situation where the guilty party isn't babbling excuses and will let me off with a warning. I'll let you know if it works.

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	COUNTRY FRESH LOW FAT MILK	GALLON	97c
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