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PRICE FIFTEEN CENTS



Cascade Schedules Futuristic Fourth

The village of Cascade will be booming with an array of activities over the Fourth of July weekend in a 3-day event which is being billed as "A Futuristic Fourth" in Cascade.

Saturday's events, July 2, will see the first annual Cascade Village-Thornapple River Amateur Bass Tournament get underway, with all sorts of awards to the finalists.

Entries for this event must be filed by 6 p.m. on July 1. Additional information can be secured from the Thornhills Sport Shop and the Cascade Sportsman.

Sunday, July 3, the second annual Fourth of July worship service at the Cascade Christian Church, 2829 Thornapple River Drive, S.E., will be conducted at 7 p.m.

Sponsored by four community churches, the service will feature a community choir under the direction of John Scripps. Speaking at the service, which is open to all faiths, will be the Rev. Raymond Gaylord of the Cascade Christian Church.

A reception and refreshment period will follow.

On The Fourth...

The "Futuristic Fourth" will get into full swing on Monday, as a full-day's schedule of events will take place. This year's activities are being coordinated under the chairmanship of Martha Landgren and Tom Miller, with Dave Ward acting as treasurer.

Also scheduled, throughout the day, are the following activities, to be topped off by a gigantic fireworks display:

9 a.m. — Book Fair opens at the Cascade Township Library, with thousands of books for sale.

10 a.m. — Arts and Crafts Fair begins in the court at Cascade Christian Church. Entries in advance, please contact, Mrs. Fran Shipley, 949-5017.

10 a.m. — All booths open—food, games, etc., located near Cascade Township Offices. Entries in advance, please contact Mrs. Fran Shipley, 949-5017.

THE PARADE—

9:30 a.m. — A Parade, except for children, assembles in the parking lot at Cascade Elementary School. Bands, floats, color guard, mechanized equipment, horses.

10 a.m. — Children on bicycles, in wagons and/or walking with flags will assemble in the parking lot of the Cascade Christian Reformed Church.

10:30 a.m. — The Parade begins. Following the parade, floats will be located in parking lot of Cascade Christian Church for your inspection throughout the day. Parade information to be received from Carole Bleakley, 949-4424.

11:15 a.m. — Flag raising ceremony at the Fire Station.

11:30 a.m. — Annual baked chicken dinner at the Cascade Christian Church, Orange Street Parking lot; to be held in Centennial Hall in case of rain. Continues until food is sold out—come early!

12:30 p.m. — Little League All-Star games at the Lions Park. The Midget, Minor and Major League All-Stars will play at this time.

1 p.m. — Canoe race starting at the Cascade Bridge—finish line at the Camelback Bridge. The race will be directed and patrolled by the Forest Hills Sno Rescue Team.

2:15 p.m. — Annual water ball fight between Cascade and Ada firemen at Ada Ball Park.

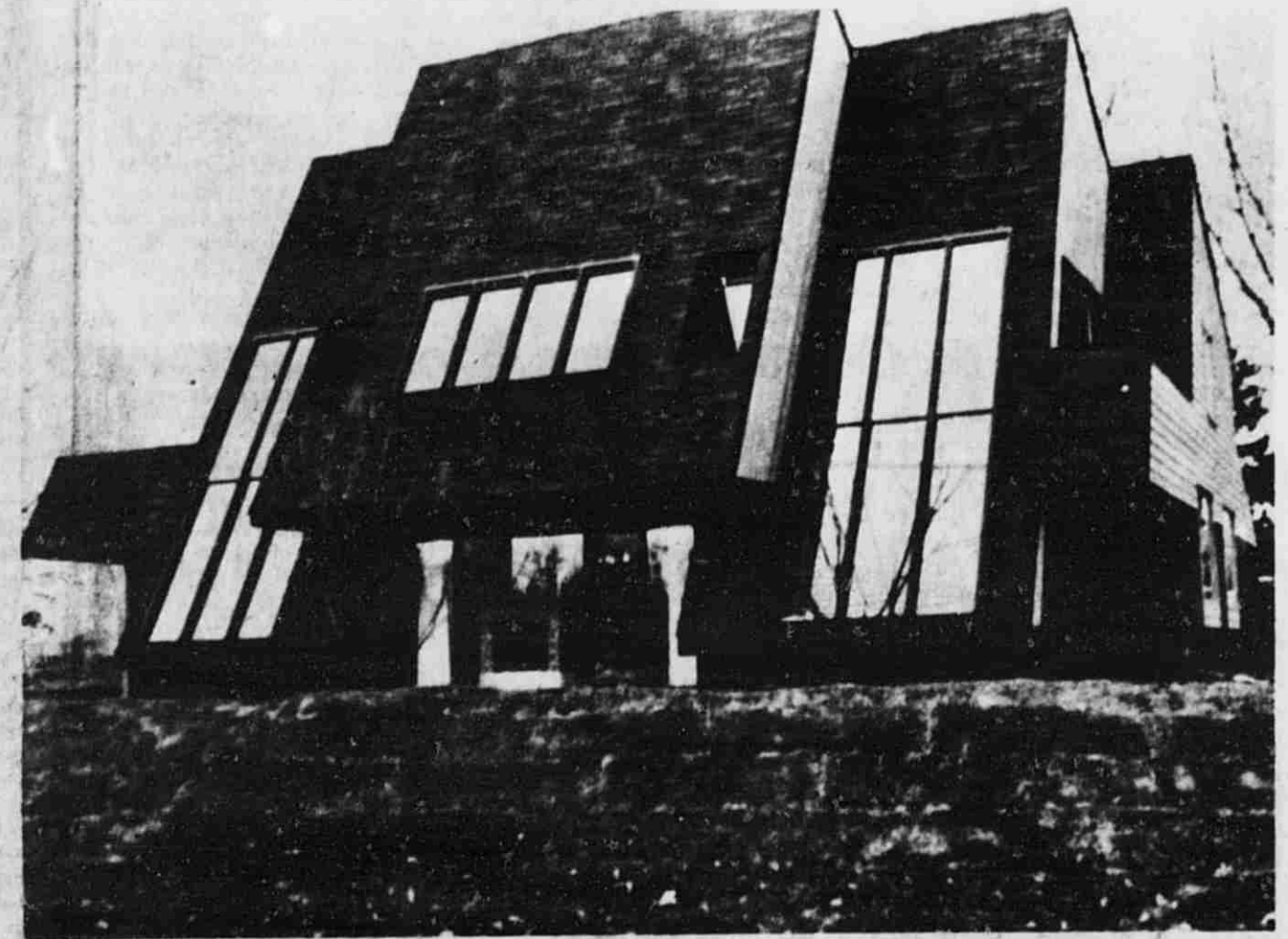
4 p.m. — Annual slow-pitch softball game between Cascade Christian Reformed and Cascade Christian Churches at the Cascade Township Park.

6 p.m. — Square dancing (only) at the Pine Ridge School. Continues until 9 p.m. Donations at the door.

7 p.m. — Entertainment, Variety Show, Parade awards, etc., to be held in the parking lots of Dr. Bakeman and Cascade Christian Church.

10 p.m. — Fireworks from hilltop in the gravel pit area. This display (\$1,200 worth) is programmed by the Cascade Fire Department.

'Let The Sun Shine In,' Says Chad Walter



Radical design lets the sun shine in at the Chad Walter home in East Lansing.

Who's afraid of the "big, bad energy crisis?" Not architect Chad Walter of East Lansing.

Walter, a former Lowell resident and graduate of Lowell High School, has the answer to the home heating woe, "let the sun shine in."

He's designed his new futuristic home at 945 Whittier to maximize the sun's heating effect and drastically cut fuel consumption.

The main feature is an enormous radically pitched roof containing huge panes of specially-treated glass that bathes the two-story living area in sunshine during winter. Walter, who seems to have an astronomer's

understanding of the workings of the sun, radiates facts about its relationship to his particular "solar system."

"The roof angle on the (mostly glassed) southern exposure is 58 degrees from horizontal," he said. "That means the sun is directly perpendicular—the rays are most direct—on December 1 and January 14. On December 21, the winter solstice, the sun penetrates 36 feet into the house."

Inviting the sun into his house last winter he said, saved him at least 30 percent in heating fuel compared to similar-sized homes.

Inside and out, Walter's home resembles the kind of ultra-modern, 21st Century homes featured in modern living magazines.

Most of all of the living area—including a den, family room, living room and two of the four bedrooms—is situated behind the angular glassed front on the south.

The large living room is in the center, flanked by the den on the west side and the family room on the east. Sliding glass separates the three rooms, offering privacy without sacrificing the sense of openness.

The ceiling of the large living room is actually the roof of the house two stories up. The four bedrooms and a connecting hallway, overlook the living room.

An attached garage, laundry room and the kitchen are located at the back of the house. The laundry room and garage contain no windows, and they are built in the northwest side purposely to buffer the living areas from blustery winter winds.

Heat, of course, is provided by a combination of the sun and a finely-tuned furnace that is constantly monitored for performance and controlled by a sensitive, sophisticated thermostat.

Walter who moved into his house last October, with his wife, Carol, and two children, after five months of construction, said lending institutions

Fireworks On The Fourth In Ada

A gigantic fireworks display, sponsored by the Ada Township Fire Department, will round-out the activities in Ada on the Fourth of July. This colorful display will be set off at 9:15 p.m.

Monday's schedule of events will get underway at 10 a.m. when a slow-pitch softball game will be played at Ada Township's ball park, Leonard Field, where most of the day's activities will take place.

At 12 o'clock noon, a parade, featuring bikes, floats, horses, cars, etc., will depart from the Ada Shop-Rite Store on Ada Drive. Parade units are to assemble at 11:30 a.m.

Beginning at 11:30 a.m., the members of the Ada Masonic Lodge will begin the serving of a chicken barbecue dinner, open to the public. Serving will continue until four o'clock in the afternoon.

First place prizes will be awarded for the best decorated float, bike, horse, tricycle and

will have as much to do with the building industry becoming solar-conscious as architects and builders.

Without giving a specific price tag, Walter said his passive solar home cost no more to build than a conventional house of the same size.

"The reason is we spent very little furnishing the interior," he explained. "Sure, we spent a lot on the glass in front and throughout the house, but that was balanced by the savings inside."

Gets Grant

Two weeks ago, Walter, and a team of construction experts from East Lansing, were awarded a federal grant to help build a deluxe solar demonstration house.

The grant for \$12,500 will pay for the materials and installation of a sophisticated, active solar collection and heating system in the home, which, when completed, will be sold on the open market.

Construction is now underway in the exclusive East Lansing subdivision of Shaw Estates on the three-bedroom, one-story active solar home.

Walter, who is also a consultant on solar heating to Consumers Power Company, said the grant's purpose is to help the housing industry and the public become familiar with solar energy in housing.

Walter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Walter, Riverside Drive, Lowell.

Three ball games will take to the field, culminating a day of fun for everyone. A slow-pitch game will be played at 4 p.m., followed by two fast pitch games; one at 6:30 p.m. and one at 8 p.m.

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THE U. S. POSTAL Service will operate on a holiday schedule Independence Day, Monday, July 4. Lowell Postmaster Charlie Doyle said there will be no regular residential or business mail delivery or lobby window service. The Lowell Post Office on North Broadway Street, will not receive mail this date and the lobby will be closed. Those wishing to send mail, the "Out of Town" box in front of the Post Office will be collected by star route and dispatched to Grand Rapids at 6 p.m. . . .

HOWARD AND EVELYN West, owners of Anderson Shoe Store at 209 East Main Street, have announced that for the rest of the summer, they will no longer be open until 8 p.m. on Friday evenings. Mr. West revealed that the summer hours will be from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday . . .

ART'S TV AT 104 East Main Street, will be closed from Thursday, June 30, until Tuesday, July 5 . . .

THOMET CHEVROLET, Harold Zeigler Ford, Wittenbach Sales and Service, Smith and Clemenz Motor Sales and Jackson Motor Sales will be closed Saturday, Sunday and Monday, July 2, 3 and 4, to give their employees a well-deserved long week end . . .

A MINI SIDEWALK Sale will be held by participating merchants along Lowell's Main Street on Saturday, July 2. On Monday, July 4th, the merchants will play the employees of the City of Lowell in a ball game at 6 p.m. at Recreation. Following, at dark, will be a fireworks display near the Showboat Amphitheatre . . .

ANYONE WISHING TO join a volunteer Showboat Festival Band is urged to call 897-8545 to sign up now. Purpose of organizing is to march in Lowell's first Showboat Festival parade on Monday, July 25. If you can march and play an instrument at the same time, this could be for you! No age or sex discrimination . . .

"IF GOOD WEATHER holds," the Automobile Club of Michigan is predicting that motorists will drive a record 765 million miles in Michigan over the four-day July Fourth holiday; that's 15 million more than the previous record set last year for the same 78-hour holiday. Drive with care, and "Bring 'Em Back Alive" . . .

THE BREAKING AND Entering of the Birchwood Gardens Florist Shop on Godfrey Street was reported to the Lowell Police Department last Thursday. A small amount of change was taken . . .

TAKEN TO THE Lowell Police Station for shoplifting at Eberhard's on West Main Street Sunday, was a seven-year-old girl. Two other juveniles were also apprehended shoplifting at Eberhard's on June 16 . . .

VISIT SPLITSVILLE USA, the Softee Creme Shoppe at 503 East Main Street during their July 4th celebration, starting June 29, and register to win a FREE Boy's or Girl's Bicycle and \$5 gift certificates . . .

TIM JONES, owner of the Butcher Block in Saranac invites everyone to help him celebrate his first anniversary, by visiting his shop this week . . .

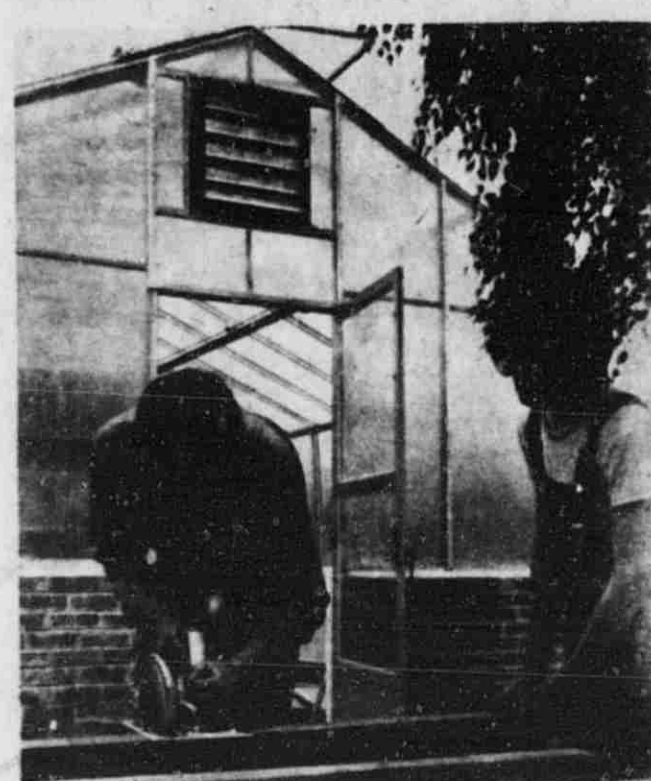
TO BE CLOSED ON Monday, July 4th will be all offices of the State Savings Bank of Lowell, the Village Inn at 211 West Main Street and Paul's Showboat Restaurant . . .

REPRESENTATIVES of the Secretary of State office are busy this week closing out the license bureau at the Western Auto Store on East Main Street. Area motorists wishing to buy plates, transfer titles, etc., will now have to drive to Grand Rapids for these services, which have been provided to them for many years by the Carl Smiths at Western Auto . . .

EFFECTIVE THIS Sunday, the First United Methodist Church of Lowell, on East Main Street, will be observing summer worship hours. Two services will be held: one at 8:30 a.m. and one at 9:45 a.m. This schedule will prevail throughout the summer months . . .

THE LOWELL AREA Schools' Board of Education will meet on Tuesday, July 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the Middle School Choir Room. This meeting, which will see the organization of the Board, was originally scheduled to be held on July 11 . . .

Students Build Greenhouse



Students of the Lowell High School carpentry class are shown cutting boards that will serve as shelving in the school's new greenhouse. The nearly completed greenhouse has been built with almost all the labor being furnished by students from various shop classes.

The construction has been under the direction of Mr. Rivers, shop teacher and Mr. Siler, the high school ag teacher. Siler stated that the greenhouse probably could not have been built if not for the students who worked so hard to build it.

The greenhouse will be in operation for next fall's science and agriculture classes to use.

Air Crash Kills Five At Grattan

Five members of a parachuting club were killed around noon Saturday, June 25, when their plane crashed in a wooded area adjacent to the Grattan Raceway.

Dead at the scene were Dale R. Kibusiak, 26, of Grand Rapids; Keith Goff, 26, of Grand Haven; Philip Clark, 33, of Sparta and the pilot, Clarence Scofield, 43, of Greenville. Alan Koeman, 29, of Zeeland, died enroute to Butterworth Hospital.

All men, members of the West Michigan Sport Parachute Center in Grattan Township, had been parachuting near the raceway, one mile north of Grattan, all morning.

Wymond Wilds, owner of the single-engine Cessna, told investigating officers that Scofield took off from the straightaway of the drag strip heading west and banked to the left. As the plane came around to the east, the pilot went into a crosswind, which sent the plane into a nosedive and upside down into the trees.

The impact snapped off the tail of the plane and started a small fire. Wilds who witnessed the crash, rushed to the scene and pulled two men from the wreckage before rescue squads arrived.

The Parachute Club had been using the raceway as an airstrip for the past six weeks, officials said. An investigator for the US Federal Aviation Administration said at the scene that it was questionable whether the dragway qualified as a legal airstrip, and the crash would be investigated.

Ski Hi React Needs Members

Ski Hi React, a team of volunteers in the Lowell-Alto Area that monitor CB Channel 9 to assist motorists and other emergency requests, are looking for more new members to assist.

Anyone with a base CB Station in these areas, that would like to assist in this worthwhile activity are requested to contact Tom or Connie Vaughn at 868-6654.

In March and April Ski Hi React received 164 requests for help reporting car accidents, stalled vehicles, road directions and information, drunk and reckless driving, vehicle fires.

Deer Park Bus Trip

Deer Park Funland will be a summer highlight for youth.

On July 22 the Lowell YMCA Bus will take a busload to Deer Park. There will be rides: train, Merry-Go-Round, Tilt-A-Whirl, Bump Cars, Spider, Antique Car Ride, Ferris Wheel, Scrambler, Boat Ride and Kiddie Rides. The tame deer are lovable and fun to pet.

Visit the Lowell YMCA, 323 W. Main, to register for this fun Bus Trip.

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Marion Wilcox Returns To Grand Rapids

It was a happy day for Marion Wilcox last Sunday when he returned to Grand Rapids, by plane, still in a wheelchair and unable to speak as a result of cancer surgery. Marion has been ill most of the winter. At Christmas, Marion and his wife, Florence, grandson, Christopher Hill, spent some time in Ar. where they so often go. This is being so close to South America was very hot which they expected and had planned. Leisurely lying in the sun and resting, the good sunshine helped him recover from the sickness and all had a good time. After returning home he felt good for some weeks, shortly thereafter he came down with the same illness.

Under a doctor's care most of the winter, he decided to go to Florida for Easter and rid himself of this lingering sore throat. Again Marion, his wife, Florence, and grandson, Christopher, boarded the plane and flew to Florida, to spend the holidays and a good vacation with their good friends Joseph and Edith Stewart of Holiday, Florida.

Again they spent endless hours in the sun but this time it didn't help. Marion became very ill and returned to Grand Rapids. He was admitted to Blodgett Hospital May 5, 1977.

and surgery was performed on May 6, 1977. It was then learned and told to the Wilcoxs, Marion was suffering from cancer of the larynx.

He was immediately scheduled for major surgery at Blodgett Hospital for May 31, 1977. However, evaluating the severe heart problem Marion has it was then decided by the specialists he should go to Sloan Kettering Memorial Hospital in New York City.

Arrangements were made and Marion was admitted to Memorial Hospital May 26, 1977. He underwent extensive tests taking the slides and history of his heart and cancer smears to Dr. Strong in New York. Surgery was performed on June 1, 1977; the famous Dr. Strong being the surgeon. The entire throat area was removed including the larynx, back of the tongue, lymph glands and vocal cords.

Marion had some questionable days in recovery, or intense care, but at this writing he is now on the road to recovery. Marion cannot speak and has a stoma for breathing (has a tube in his neck). Each day he gains more strength and we are all happy for his return. A chain smoker before his heart attack, Marion said smoking definitely had something to do with his cancer. He added that now he has quit smoking.

Marion will be using an electronic, hand-held artificial larynx which simulates the vibrations of the vocal cords and later will take speech therapy after healing of the inside of his throat.

He wishes to thank all his Lowell friends for their cards, fruit, and flowers and prayers while he was in New York. Sloan Kettering Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Wilcox, son, Roger, and daughter, Rose Howarth, were able to be with him during these difficult days.

The Wilcoxs used to own the small shop of infants and children's wear, "Stewieville," located at 611 West Main Street, Lowell.

POTPOURRI

Some 1,300 persons are on the official list of those who received bachelor's degrees at Western Michigan University's recent second semester commencement. Degree recipients from this area were: William Bruce Woodall, 1137 Forest Hills Avenue, S.E., Cascade, BA, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Woodall; James Verelc Bovee, 114 James Street, Lowell, BBA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Verelc Bovee; Dale Bert Hanson, 603 High Street, Lowell, BS, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hanson; and Mary Mueller, 216 Riverside Drive, Lowell, BS, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Mueller.

Arthur Speaker, formerly of Lowell, has been transferred from the Fort Custer Veterans Facility to the intensive care unit at the VA Hospital in Ann Arbor. He celebrated his 61st birthday last Friday.

Frank VanDusen of Lowell has been transferred from Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids to the U.S. Public Health Service Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland. Friends wishing to send cards to Frank should direct them to the hospital at 18 North, 3100 Wyman Park Drive. Zip code 21211.

Nancy Iris Rottler, has been named to the Dean's List at Bob Jones University in Greenville, South Carolina. Miss Rottler, a freshman at the University's School of Business Administration, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis L. Rottler of 6079 Winger Avenue, Alto. To be named to the Dean's List, she had to earn at least a B average during the semester.

After a two week's engagement at Sheraton Inn N.W. at Brooklyn Park, Minnesota, Stillwater returned Sunday and will be appearing at Howard Johnson's East on 28th Street, Grand Rapids for the next three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit DeGood of Michigan Street, N.E., Ada and Mr. and Mrs. Gary DeGood of Grand River Drive N.E., Ada have just returned from a two-week vacation trip in the west. Points of interest they visited were the bad lands in South Dakota, Mt. Rushmore and Cady, Wyoming, also Yellowstone National Park. While in Cady, they attended a rodeo.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pattock, John Minges and Bob Sont are attending the Moose Haven Convention at Jacksonvile, Florida, this week.

Clarkville Colts	1	1
Lowell Dodgers	1	4
Lowell Giants	1	4
Alto Indians	0	3
Boy's Cadet Softball	4	0
Alto Golden Eagles	3	0
Lowell Orioles	1	1
Lowell Robins	2	1
Lowell Cardinals	1	1
Clarkville Thunderbirds	1	2
Lowell Arrows	4	0
Alto Blackbirds	1	2
Lowell Sparrows	1	2
Lowell Tigers	3	1
Lowell Cardinals	2	3
Lowell Giants	0	3
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OBITUARIES

JEFFERY—A former Lowell and Alto area resident, Thomas G. Jeffery passed away Friday evening, June 24, at the age of 65.

Funeral services for Mr. Jeffery were conducted Monday afternoon, June 27, at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home in Lowell, with the Rev. Charles Hutchinson officiating. Burial was made in Bowne Center Cemetery.

Mr. Jeffery, who was a resident of Middleville, leaves his wife, Leone; four sons, Jerry of Middleville, David of Hastings, Michael of Freeport and Daniel of Springfield, Missouri; two daughters, Rachel Stiles of Ionia and Ruth Secord of Middleville; two grandchildren; a brother, John of Wyoming; and three sisters, Helen Jeffery of Grand Rapids, Margaret Hoag of Lowell, and May Hawley of Nashville.

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INMAN—A long time resident of the Ada area, Clarence A. Inman of 2926 Pettis Avenue, N.E., passed away Friday, June 24, Born March 21, 1917, he was 60 years old.

The Rev. Robert Whitney of Northland Baptist Church conducted the funeral services held Monday morning at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home in Lowell. Burial followed in Findlay Cemetery.

Besides his wife, Hazel Corbett Inman, he is survived by two sons, James of Lowell and Clare of Ada; two daughters, Mrs. Charles (Mary) McBride of Cedar Springs and Mrs. Bill (Marjorie) VanEs of Belding; seven grandchildren; two brothers, Edward and Henry, both of Ada; and a sister, Mrs. Patrick (Dorothy) Abraham of Muskegon.

CZERWINSKI—Funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday morning, June 25, at St. Alphonsus Church for John Czerwinski. Interment services were held at St. Patrick's Cemetery, Parnell.

Mr. Czerwinski, aged 84, passed away Wednesday, June 22. He was a member of the Federation of Musicians Union. Surviving are his children, Gary and Mary Messner, Mrs. Dolores Nuberg, John, Jr., all of Grand Rapids, Charles and Betty Dickenson of Pittsford, New York, Richard and Shirley Kaana of Belmont, Frank and Pauline Czerwinski of Sand Lake, Joseph of Alto, Robert and Irene Czerwinski of Lowell, William and Connie Kervin of Reed City, 13 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and three sisters, Mrs. Mamie Aiki of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Helen Hartman of Skokie, Illinois, and Mrs. Harriet Peterson of St. Joseph; two brothers, Ray and Stanley of Grand Rapids, and several nieces and nephews.

NASH—Services for Miss Inez H. Nash, 83, of Clarksville, who died Monday morning, June 27, at the Provincial Home in Hastings, were held Wednesday at the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Clarksville. Rev. Wesley Ruder officiated with burial in Clarksville Cemetery.

She was born May 16, 1894, in Clarksville, the daughter of Allen and Matilla (Rounds) Nash. She was a lifelong resident of the Clarksville area and attended the Clarksville School. She was a member of the Wesleyan Church. She had been a patient at the Provincial House since Jan. 7, 1975.

She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Gardner (Jane) Compton of Clarksville and Mrs. Clayton (Reva) Waterman of Grand Rapids, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Audrey Nash of Grand Rapids.

Won't you come along with me to the Mississippi, we'll take a boat to the land of dreams floating on the river down to New Orleans. Since a small boy, I had heard the legends and songs of the moonlight and magnolia dreams of the mighty Mississippi. A few years ago I had occasion to take a trip to Louisiana.

In our travels, we crossed and recrossed the Mississippi River. My first sight of that body of water. Late one afternoon I stood on its banks and watched the late gray muddy waters slip past. I turned to my wife and said, "I wouldn't trade our Michigan rivers for all the Mississippi and its faded glory. Perhaps I'm a bit prejudiced, but I still feel that way.

"I'll grant you it's a big river. Anyone who stands in the pilot house of a Mississippi river boat sees industry at its fullest. There are double ranks of huge factories, DuPont, Gulf Oil, Union Carbide, Monsanto, American Cyanamid, Reynolds Metals, Unioninid and endless line of big names. Huge piles of sulphur used to make 32,000 different products. This is not for me, I'm just a small town boy.

Now let me take you on a trip on a replica of an old time Mississippi Showboat, our own Robert E. Lee. We'll start at the Riverside dock where it loads up for its nightly trips.

The first thing you see is the Flat River which finds its source in the Six Lakes area, and meanders its way through Greenville, Belding and Lowell where it joins up with the Grand on its way to Lake Michigan. The valley through which this river passes has a long history of Indian lore and tales of early settlers.

So much for the river, let's get on with our trip. There is always an ever-present crowd on hand to see you off and wish you luck. The band strikes up "Anchors Aweigh" and the showboat casts its moorings and swings into the mid-stream current.

People of all ages, from babes in arms to elderly citizens, line the shores of the river waiting

handkerchiefs as the boat glides past well-kept lawns and homes that have been there long before the Showboat started. Carot their horns as they follow the boat along, creating a traffic jam on the Riverside Drive.

The first place of business that meets your eye is the Lowell Municipal Light & Power Plant. You can see your reflection in its windows as you pass by. At about this point, we always look skyward to see if the smoke stacks have cleared the power lines.

A usual sight is to see Curly Howard and his patrons wave as we pass his lunch room. You get an excellent view of the King Milling Company silos. The bells ring and the boat makes a sharp swing to skirt Cat Tail Bend and run parallel to the backs of the places of business facing Main Street.

In my collection, I have a picture of this view before the fire when the buildings leaned every which way on the verge of falling into the water. (It was the roof of one of these buildings the gal danced while Frank Newell sang Mammy).

There used to be a light pole in this area and it was quite a trick to get past it when there was a sharp wind. Once we ran into it dead center. Here we get a good view of people on the bridge and traffic on M-21.

The boat now makes another sharp swing to the left to get past Saw-Dust Island. This channel runs parallel to Lafayette Street past the old Showboat site directly into our amphitheatre, if we keep to the left and don't hang up on the sandbar.

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can hardly wait to see and hear Pearl Bailey, so make your reservations and pick up your tickets right now.

See you next week!—Becky.

Tennis Results

The Lowell YMCA Tennis League got off to a great start last week, with everyone on hand and a lot of great fun. The results of the Wednesday matches were:

Playing at 6 p.m., Team No. 1 "Groundhogs" vs. Team No. 2 "Overheads." Adams was defeated by Bailey and Bieracki beat Anderson.

Doubles: Dickerson and Burle beat Bauer and VanderBilt. Team Winner, Groundhogs, 2 to 1.

At 7 p.m., Team No. 3 the "Exterminators" played Team No. 4, "The Bad Habits." Fonger was defeated by Page and Cannon lost to Miller.

Doubles: Nancy and Dale Bieri won over Mulder and M. Bieracki. Team winner, The Bad Habits, 3 to 0.

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Special Ceremony To Honor Janet Bovee

A special Red Tassel Ceremony will be conducted Monday evening, July 11, by the Lowell Women of the Moose, Chapter 1388.

the evening's program will be under the direction of Colleague Ruth Morgan.

Chapter will hold a College of Regents program, during which Colleague Janet Bovee will be honored in the Red Tassel Ceremony.

Senior Regent Mrs. Betty Miller revealed this week that

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Cascade Township Foremost Observes Silver Jubilee

The Bi-Centennial year of 1976 was a biggie. Much creativity took place across the Nation. Many projects were started.

Class of '37 Meets For 1st Reunion

The Lowell High School Class of 1937 held their fortieth (40th) class reunion June 18 at the Lowell Middle School.

Sixty-one members attended, coming from many Michigan cities and as far away as Florida and Washington, D.C.

It was a pleasure to have three of our teachers of that year present. Bruce Walter and Wendell Emery with their wives and the former Miss Magdalen Niwanger.

Special guest of the evening was Msgr. Hugh Michael Beahan. He left Lowell our senior year for the seminary and at present is at St. Andrews in Grand Rapids.

Everyone was in favor of not waiting forty years to get together again. So with a little luck we hope to have another in five years.

Thanks to the many that helped make this event a huge success.

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Tennis Tournament

Blue Lake has programs throughout the summer for elementary, junior high, high school and college students.

Speaks Wedding Vows

Glenda D. Atwood of Oakland, California, and Cpl. Robert M. Potter were united in marriage on Saturday, June 4, in the chapel of the Cascade Christian Church at 4 p.m.

Swim Team Schedule

The Lowell YMCA Swim Team has begun their 1977 schedule of events. The remaining meets which start at 1 p.m. are:

APPLICATION FOR DEFERMENT OF 1977 SUMMER TAXES

Persons may request deferment of their 1977 Summer taxes until February 14, 1978, if they meet the following requirements:

Students At Blue Lake

Two students from the Lowell area are attending Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp, a summer school of the arts located just north of Muskegon.

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Lower Pond Water Level

Consumers Power Company lowered the water level of the pond at its Webber hydroelectric plant, located on the Grand River east of Ionia, by about eight feet last week.

The pond level will be dropping to Paul F. Ingell, manager of electric system for the utility. Work crews will perform preventive maintenance on the 2,800 kilowatt facility.

Ingell said lowering of the pond level should be completed by about June 29, allowing the project to begin at that time. He estimated that the project would be concluded by the third week in July.

The Webber plant is one of 13 hydroelectric facilities operated by Consumers Power in the Lower Peninsula. The units have a combined generating capacity of over 133,000 kilowatts, equal to about 2.3 percent of the company's total owned generating capability.

Pony League

June 21st game, Saranac 14, Portland A's, 4. 14 Runs, 19 Hits, 9 errors.

C. Chase pitched the 5 inning game, fanning 10, walking 4 and giving up 4 hits.

The big inning in the game was the 5th when Saranac's rookies chalked up 7 runs.

C. Coulson, 3 for 3 (2 Home runs, 7 R.B.I.'s); S. Metternick, 3 hits; C. Chase, 3 hits; B. Tower, 3 hits; R. Lombardo, 2 hits; T. Patrick, 2 hits; Egner, 1 hit; Haskins, 1 hit; Haller, 1 hit.

June 23, Saranac 5, Portland Cardinals 6.

C. Coulson struck out 14 batters, walked 7 and gave up 2 hits.

The Skins collected runs in the 1st, 2nd and 6th innings and in the 3rd but were blasted by their opponent in the 7th when they collected 3 runs to win the game.

R. Lombardo and C. Chase contributed 1 double apiece.

Special Village Council Meeting

The Saranac Village Council held a special meeting last Thursday evening and voted to use the \$263,000 granted to them through EDA for a much needed storm sewer. The sewer will extend from Orchard and Vosper Street, down Pleasant and Main Street, north to the Grand River with proper easements.

The Board approved a motion for Williams & Works to submit plans to EDA for purpose of intent.

Other action the board discussed their commitment with Grand Trunk Railroad to meet in accordance with State Highway Department for purpose of removing the present railroad signal system and replacing it with a cantilever system.

This would require taking out the abutment and would tie in with the new bridge program and be financed through state highway and Railroad. The possibility of a 24-hour shutdown for signal replacement was discussed. Proper notification will be made to the public through the media if necessary.

Lions Club

Last week Saranac Lions Club held their regular meeting and installation of officers for 1977-78. New officers are President, Otto Laabs; First Vice President, Jim McCarty; Second Vice President, Darold Simpson; Third Vice President, John McDonald; Secretary, John McDonald; Director, Phil Demmy; Lion Tamer, Don Risner; and Tail Twister, Dan Smith.

Doreen Hunt of Saranac was among those who have been named to the Dear's List at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo.

District Court: Jeff L. Courtney, 22, 4485 David Highway paid \$19 June 23 for speeding. Gordon M. Keech, 16, 68 Main Street paid \$14 June 16 for an unsafe start June 5. Larry A. Smith, 18, 103 Center Street paid \$19 June 16 for unsafe start June 6.

Marriage License: Marvin A. Parker, Jr., 30, 26011 Lake Shore, Apt. 816, Euclid, Ohio and Marilyn H. Arnold, 27, 1734 Johnson Road, Saranac.

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Collecting hits for Saranac were: J. Kimball, 2 for 3 (drove in 3 runs); B. Galaviz, 2 for 4; S. Metternick, 2 for 5; D. Pierce, 2 for 4; D. Nagy, 2 for 4.

Losing pitcher was Kelly who was relieved by McKee late in the game.

Saturday Saranac will host Pawam for the 4:00 game.

All-Star Game

Last Friday evening in Pawam three members of Saranac's Tri-County team played in the annual All-Star game.

Dale Courter pitched the 4th and 5th inning, allowing only one hit and J. Kimball and B. Galaviz also contributed to the 7-2 win West Division (Caledonia, Saranac, Lowell, Belding) over East (Pawam, Ionia, Portland, Westphalia).

This was the first win ever recorded by the West Division in the Tri-County All-Star game.

Varsity Pitching

Varsity pitcher Lorraine earned the honor of receiving her Varsity letter as she led the team with 63 putouts and had respectable batting and fielding percentages of .393 and .919.

Junior, Cathy Brown, was the recipient of the new Spirit Award, because of her outstanding enthusiasm, team spirit and cooperation.

Graduated senior captain, Yvonne Griewe, wound up four years as a member of the softball squad leading her team in triples with 3. Kay Thompson, junior shortstop, was tied for the most stolen bases in league play with 13.

Three freshmen won Varsity letters. DeAnn Eddy quite often filled the role as a pinch runner. Hollie Opydko led the team in walks and was errorless. RB1's, 2 sacrifices and an excellent .462 batting average in her first year of Varsity ball.

County-wide 4-H Picnic and Dance

In honor of the 4-H youth guests visiting Ionia from Minnesota, the Ionia County Service Club is sponsoring a potluck picnic Friday, July 1, 7:30 p.m., at the Fairgrounds. Following the picnic, there will be a dance at the Floral Building about 8:30 p.m.

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Softball Achievements Recognized



Saranac's Softball Team, back row, from left, Joe Vestino, Sarah Smith, DeAnn Eddy, Tami Frazer, Kerri Soules, Terry Hardy, Tammy Haack, Kathy Bush, Kay Thompson, Lori Haller, Peggy Griewe, Renee Stanton, Hollie Opydko, Sue Overbeck, Cathy Brown, Carmen Leslie and Coach Bob Vestino. Front row: Teri Frazer, Yvonne Sprague, Lorraine Willson and Karin Sprague.

The Saranac High Softball team completed its season with an 11-6 overall record and a 10-2 league winning-loss record. The team also is proud of some individual achievements.

Junior southpaw, Teri Frazer, was selected as TCAA's first team All-Conference pitcher. She was selected by the coaches as the team's Most Valuable Player. Teri had the team's highest fielding percentage, .926 and batted .319 for the season.

Junior catcher, Tami Frazer, led the Redskins in 7 categories. She had the most innings played, scored 29 runs, had 21 hits, 17 RB1's and 13 stolen bases. RB1's led the team with an impressive .467 batting average including 5 doubles. Tami received Honorable Mention in the TCAA Conference.

Peggy Griewe was voted onto the All Conference Second Team for infield. She played second base, scored 29 runs and was a steady influence in the infield with 22 assists.

Tammy Hardy, the team's long ball hitter, hit 3 home runs, had 17 RB1's and shared honors for the most innings played. The sophomore center fielder was named onto the All Conference Second Team.

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Petitioner: Marie Lewis
Child: Christopher McInire
Hearing: July 2, 1977 at 9:30 A.M.
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Petitioner: David Novakowski
Child: Jon Kelomier
Hearing: July 27, 1977 at 3:00 P.M.
Petitioner: Lynn Otzman
Child: Oliver and Byron William
Hearing: July 20, 1977 at 4:00 P.M.
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Shop & Save
At Our
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Saturday, July 2
BARGAINS GALORE!
WESTERN AUTO
ASSOCIATE STORE
219 E. Main, Lowell, 897-9743

Saturday, July 2
Sidewalk Sale

Many Items Reduced
1/2 Price and more

Also Many items on
Sale inside the
store!

BEN FRANKLIN
121 W. Main • Lowell
Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 9-6; Fri. 9-8; Sat. 9-6

JULY 4TH
SALE
Sandals

Thurs., Fri. & Sat., June 30, July 1, & 2

**All Summer Sandals
Will Be Reduced!**

Stop by our sidewalk display
Saturday, July 2nd

ANDERSON SHOE STORE
209 E. Main • Lowell • 897-5611

Member Lowell Area
Chamber Of Commerce
Open Monday thru Sat. 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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**STOP &
BROWSE**



THAT Special PLACE

215 W. Main - Lowell

**Bargains In
All
Departments**

Sidewalk Sale

**Bargains From
Throughout
The Store**

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"Not just another drug store..."
Lippert
PHARMACY
413 E. Main St.,
Lowell
Ph. 897-9221
a complete shopping experience

In Downtown Lowell

**3rd Annual
BIRTHDAY
EVENT**

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday
June 29, 30, July 1 & 2

For Him

3 pc. EUROPEAN STYLE SUITS Reg. \$110.00	\$69⁹⁹	CORDUROY & DENIM SUITS	1/2 OFF
"ALL" DRESS SLACKS Solids, Plaids, Knits & Wovens	\$10⁹⁹	ALL NYLON LONG SLEEVE SHIRTS S-M-L-XL	1/2 OFF
TANK TOPS Reg. \$7.00	\$4⁴⁹	ALL PRE-WASH JEANS Broken Sizes	\$9⁹⁹
LONG SLEEVE KNIT TOPS	1/2 OFF	SWIM WEAR	1/2 OFF
BELTS	\$3⁰⁰	CORDUROY & DENIM JUMPSUITS	\$8⁹⁹
ASSORTED GROUP OF PANTS Plaids & Solids	\$2⁹⁹	MENS'S COLOGNE 3 Fragrances	\$2⁹⁹ - \$3⁹⁹
PAINTER PANTS Reg. \$10.00 & \$11.00		SALE: \$7⁹⁹ & \$8⁹⁹	

For Her

EMBROIDERED PANTS Reg. \$17.00	SALE: \$10⁹⁹	TUBE TOPS & HALTERS Reg. \$2.50 To \$6.00	SALE: 1/2 OFF
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**Kaptain's
Korner**



**MAIDEN
VOYAGE**

107 W. Main St., Lowell, Michigan

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