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#### **VOLUME THREE, ISSUE THREE**



ALTHOUGH THE WINTER storm which drifted through the area Sunday dropped only a little over two inches of new snow, blowing and drifting caused many motorists to encounter hazardous driving and in some instances, traffic tie-ups. Only a few minor accidents were reported by the Lowell Police Department. The National Weather Service says this, the first major storm of the 1977-78 winter will be followed by gradually warming temperatures with a chance of rain by Thursday. Let's hope they're right! . .

JUDIE CAMPBELL OF Saranac and Mildred Bellows of Lowell were the lucky winners of gift certificate door prizes at the grand opening festivities of the Ball Floral Shop on East Main Street, recently. The new owners heartily thanked each and everyone for attending their open house and welcoming them to the community. THIS THURSDAY, December 1, is an important deadline date for thousands of elected officials and political committees in Michigan. That's the date when penalty provisions of the new Campaign Finance Reporting Law goes into effect, ending a six-month grace period. At that time, all filings required since June 1, 1977, including Statements of Organization must be in compliance with the law. After the December 1 deadline, however, persons who have failed to comply may be subject to penalties ranging all the way from late filing fees to felony charges, depending on the nature of the violations .

THE SECRETARY OF State's office has opened another full-service office in Grand Rapids, located at the East Village Mall, 1550 Lake Drive, S.E., open Monday thru Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The office will issue drivers licenses, license plates, titles and voter registrations. They'll be closed on Saturdays . .

A LOWELL WOMAN, reported Monday evening that she was abducted by a 17-year-old youth carrying a straight razor. She was ordered by the youth to drive him to Lansing, and stopped to buy gasoline at the service station on I-96 at the Saranac-Clarksville exit. he beat off her assailant with a flashlight. The injured youth fledthe scene and is being sought by the state police . . . THIS FRIDAY AND Saturday, December 2 and 3, the Riverside

Fireplace Shoppe on East Main Street is holding another one of their spectacular happenings. This time, it's a truckload sale, complete with a semi-trailer, parked in front of the store, full of winter heating values . . .

POWER AND TELEPHONE service to several homes in the area. was temporarily interrupted last Monday evening when a truck load of Christmas trees hit the service wires on South Hudson Street. The driver of the truck, Clifford Blanchard of Tonawanda, New York, was cited with a violation of exceeding height and length laws for trucks . ARRESTED IN MORGAN City, Louisiana, last Friday were Larry and Jeffery Stevens of Lowell. Both were wanted on warrants issued by the Prosecutor's office on charges of feloneous assault; and one on a charge of embezzlement. The assault happened in Lowell in September, and both will be extradited back to stand trial . . . THE LOWELL AREA Jaycees are working again this year, with the Marine Corps Reserve on the "Toys For Tots" project. All toys donated from this area, will be distributed to needy families in this area. Barrels for the collection of all new or useable toys are being placed throughout the Lowell area at Eberhard's, Johnson's, Arnie's Standard. Alto Bank, 804 E. Main Street, Lowell and 1822 Huntwood Drive, Eastgate. Watch next week's paper for more pertinent details . . CONGRATULATIONS TO Mrs. Jo Somerville of Cascade, who has opened a new shop with new ideas in Ada at 527 Ada Drive. To be called the "Sunflower," the shop will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and will feature special gifts for special people. "WHILE YOU'RE IN town Saturday for the Christmas parade

# Santa To Arrive CECA Plans **Paper Drive Here Saturday**

Hood will also march with

Kermit the Frog and Frosty the

Other highlights of the parade

will include floats prepared by

various organizations, clubs,

etc., and of course, the arrival of

Lowell Area Chamber of Com-

merce members urge you to

come early for a good view. stay

Saturday, December 3, Lowell students will be walking doorto-door to collect newspapers. The papers should be bagged or ticd in bundles. If you need The annual Santa Claus friend. Tigger, too! The Big. assistance in this area, call Bad Wolf and Little Red Riding 897-8257

The Lowell High Debate team will give a presentation to CECA at their regular meeting Tuesday. December 6, at 7:30 p.m. at the Lowell Middle School. We wish to extend an invitation to the Lowell School Board members and the parents of the debate team students to attend. Raffle tickets for the half beef and fishing pole will go on sale next week.

downtown to shop, and see Santa at his headquarters in The extra curricular fund Modern Photographics from one raising program is only for one to five o'clock in the afternoon. year. 1977-78.

**Senior Citizen Facility Now Under Construction** 

Snowman

Santa Claus

scheduled for this Saturday.

December 3, starting at 11 a.m.

First United Methodist Church

of Lowell on East Main Street.

and proceed west along the

main thorough-fare to Jackson

Motor Sales, where they will

This new termination point

will make it easier for the young

marchers to be picked up by

fire truck and Moose clowns will

be Winnie-The-Pooh and his

Along with the bands. Jaycee

turn south on West Street.

their parents.

The parade will start from the



# **Saranac Housing Project Is Now Officially Underway**



Officials at the groundbreaking were: left to right, William Nowak, Warren Chadwick, Herbert Talcott, Frank Fisher, DeWayne Downs, Cecil Morris [with shove]] and Dick VanderVeen.

A groundbreaking ceremony was held at the proposed site of Saranac's newest senior citizen and low income housing development on Tuesday, November

Cecil Morris, Director of the Saranac Housing Commission was the main speaker at the ceremony. Morris' speech cov-ered the history of Saranac's Housing project, told how these goals were achieved and thankcitizens, mem bers of the housing commission. village board members, and state and federal officials who made these projects possible. The project consists of 61 units of housing which will be built on a site immediately

and will be known as Mill Creek Meadows West. The main structure will be providing 49 units of housing for our senior citizens. This structure will be a three story, elevatored building constructed with fire resistive materials and will include all features required for the safety and welfare of its elderly occupants. The individual apartments will contain kitchen facilities, individual bathrooms, living and dining spaces. All apartments as well as corridors eral is approximately 1/4 of the and common spaces will be carpeted. For those tenants desiring air conditioning, this structure will be fully air-conditioned with individual controls housing.

provided so that an occupant may have any degrees of com-

PRICE FIFTEEN CENTS

The family portion of the project will consist of eight two bedroom units and four three bedroom units constructed in two separate buildings separated from the three story structure with their own parking and playground facilities.

The rents involved with each unit type has been set by the tment of Housi Urban Development and in genindividual families income This will give Saranac a total of 81 units of senior citizens housing and 20 units of family

adjacent to Mill Creek Meadows fort he or she wishes.

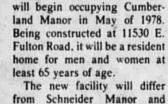


and shopping, visit the new display on the Kiosk in the City's parking lot on East Main Street," urged the Lowell Area Arts Council. The panels of the Kiosk have been covered with the paintings of winter scenes, done by the second and third graders in the Lowell area schools . . .

MRS. NANCY J. Wood at Lowell City Hall, 301 East Main Street, will be available to help Senior Citizens with their 1977 Homestead Property Tax credit forms, anytime from 8 a.m. to 12 noon and two to five p.m. Monday through Friday . . .

Assistance in applying for mats, note paper and books, as

p.m.



If construction is completed

on schedule, area senior citizens

Cherry Creek Nursing Home in that its services will fall somewhere in between those being offered at these residences.

movies and library services, Cumberland Manor will offer regularly scheduled mini-bus many services beyond those of Schneider Manor but, the pritrips to Lowell, Ionia and Grand mary difference is that all meals

Rapids, fishing pond, outdoor courtyard, indoor and outdoor will be provided at the new shuffle board, pool tables, minifacility and residents do their store, laundry and central day-

room with color television. Rooms in the new facility can be either private or double occupancy which are ideal for

own cooking in a facility like

Cherry Creek is a total nurs-

ing care facility, but at Cumber-

land Manor the residents will be

required to take care of most of

their personal needs beyond

A list of services to be offered

includes: doctors on call 24

hours a day, barber and beauty

shop services, organized arts

and crafts, three meals daily, all

day coffee services. ladies guild,

cooking for themselves.

Schneider Manor.

husbands and wives. The rooms Box 210, Lowell, MI 49331. will be equipped with a nurse call system, television antenna outlet, telephone, carpeting and all rooms as well as the rest of the facility are designed to accommodate wheelchairs and

walkers. The staff at Cumberland Manor will include a licensed administrator, licensed nurse on duty daily, and resident assistants on duty 24 hours a day. Residents can pay their room and board out of pocket or those eligible can use their social security benefits to cover the entire cost as well as providing some personal expense money.

ROSIE DRIVE INN - 800 W. Main St., Lowell. This Week's Special: Regular Hamburgs, 45c. Something New Added: from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., 5 days a week only. Hot Beef or Pork Roast Sandwiches, with Potatoes and Gravy. Free ticket for picture of your child with Santa with order for 24 piece bucket of Chicken. c3

VanWienen & Postema are the architects of the new building and Visser Brothers, Inc. are the prime contractors. Both firms are from Grand Rapids. Gow Ramjeet of 11440 E. Fulton Road, Lowell, is president of Cumberland Manor, Inc. and Sham Sabri of Fulton Road, Lowell is the firm's vice-presi-

dent. Both Ramjeet and Sabri are licensed nursing home administrators and were administrators of Cherry Creek Nursing Home, Lowell and English Hills Nursing Home, Grand Rapids respectively. Ramjeet has lived and worked in the area since 1968 and Sabri since 1968. Those wishing further information may phone (616) 942-5560 Monday through Friday from 8:30 until 5 p.m. or write Cumberland Manor, Inc., 11530 E. Fulton Road. Route 4, P.O.

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# **Food Round-up At Runciman**



Runciman Elementary School third graders, Greg Zimmerman, Angle Pastor, Tim Moore and their teacher James Biodgett pose before the food collected for area needy families. Biodgett's third grade class organized the effort to round up food donations which consisted of 500 items including three turkeys. Letters were sent home to parents of all Runciman and Riverside students requesting food donations for area needy. Biodgett's class went from classroom to classroom every morning collecting the donations in a shopping cart. The food was distributed to about 70 families in the Lowell School District by the Kent Community Action Program. The effort was lauded by Runciman principal, Dirk Venema as "one of the nicest demonstrations of community support that he has ever seen. Venema, Blodgett and all the students would like to thank all those who contributed to the project.

the papers and made recom-

the high school guidance de-

# **National Honor Society Invites New Members**

In the near future the National Honor Society Committee of Lowell High School will be

sending letters to scholastically eligible juniors and seniors who may be considered for membership to National Honor Society. Each year the staff tries to make the membership selection policy more objective. This year the committee, after studying other schools' selection policies, made the biggest innovation to date. This group has decided to ask the scholastically eligible students to present a typewrit-

ten resume paper to the committee.

vears.

mendations to the Faculty Ad-This paper should state reasons for wanting to become a visory Committee for final decimember; definitions of the sion terms of leadership, character, The grade point average for and service; and also contain a scholastic qualification is 3.50 list of particular qualification. for juniors with no D's as These specific qualifications semester grades. For seniors, should center on character. not already members, the grade service to school, community, point average is 3.20 with no D's and church, and finally a list of as semester grades. We urge all all activities in which the stustudents or parents who have dent has been or is currently questions, particularly about involved during his high school grade point averages to contact

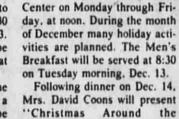
A faculty committee will read partment.

NHS is an organization which chooses only those students who have outstanding qualifications in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service and character. Students may NOT apply for membership; they are elected and invited to become members on their merits and efforts. Ouestions should be directed to the principal, Gary Kemp, or the NHS advisor, Mrs. Virginia Fonger.

property tax refunds will be available to senior citizens at the Lowell Senior Neighbors Center. 214 E. Main St., on the following dates: Dec. 13, from 9:30 to 11:30; Dec. 14. from 1 to 3: Dec. 22, from 9:30 to 11:30 and on Dec. 28, from 1 to 3. Additional assistance will be given by Mrs. Nancy Wood at the Lowell City Hall.

In honor of Santa Claus, the senior citizen of the month, a "Gift and Goodies Sale" will be held at the Center on Dec. 7 and 8. from 10 to 4. Featured will be a cookbook, "101 Good Reasons to Have A Potluck." prepared by Center participants. Also on -Christmas Films on Dec. 20, at 1 sale will be products of the Avery Studio, including place-

Fri., Dec. 2 thru Mon., Dec. 5 STRAND Theatre



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games party on the afternoon of

Dec. 19. The Armchair Travel

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well as bird feeders. Christmas

decorations and other hand-

made articles and baked goods.

Dinners

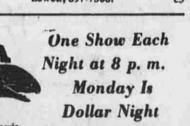
from Riverside School will present a concert on Dec. 21 in the afternoon. A carol sing will be held after the noon dinner on Dinners are served at the Dec. 23. The Center welcomes all area

The fourth and fifth graders

senior citizens to its activities; donations for participation are voluntary. Closed

The Center will close at 1 p.m. on Dec. 23 and Dec. 30. It will be closed on Dec. 26 and Jan. 2.

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of Lowell; four brothers, Carlton Memorial Park. Wilcox of Clarksville, Hazen Besides his wife, Bernice, Wilcox of Mattawan, Denton Mr. Wise leaves his children. Funeral services will be held Wilcox of Alto and Gordon Dr. Gilbert H. and Jeanne Wise at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home Wilcox of Lowell.

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cox, aged 53, of Eaton Rapids passed away Friday, November 18, 1977, at Ingham Medical 24270 W. Seven Mile Road, 24270 W.

and Glenn of Eaton Rapids; Memorial Home in Grand Rap- Mrs. Maude Oesch of Belding; three daughters. Mrs. Susan Glick of Lansing, Mrs. Shari Johnson of Olivet and Mrs. Funeral services were held

one sister, Mrs. Joyce Blasher rence Taylor of Trinity United Mrs. Bonnie Beard of Crystal;

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Drive, Lowell, passed away Sunday morning, November 27, Road, passed away Friday eve-He is survived by his wife, WISE — Howard Wise, aged Sunday morning. November 27. Donna Jean; two sons, Robin 82, a resident at the M. J. Clark He is survived by his mother, his children, Albert, Jr., of Lowell, Mrs. Thomas (Geraldine) Lewis of Ionia, Wayne Sandy VanderWerf of Ada; his Friday afternoon in the Clark Sparks of Grand Rapids, Mrs. father, Winton Wilcox, Lowell: Home Chapel with Dr. Law-Blanch Ward of Grand Rapids,

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The Grand Valley Ledger - Wednesday, November 30, 1977 - Page 2 Methodist Church officiating. three brothers, Louis of Lowell, Burial was made in Rest Lawn Jack of Allendale, Godfrey, Jr. of Grand Rapids; five grandchil-

> of Lowell. Helen and Donald of Lowell at two o'clock Wed-Burial was at the Rosehill Hams of Phoenix, Arizona, Pat-Cemetery, Eaton Rapids. Me-tie and Rex Coryell of Fox Point, Dean Bailey of the First United morials may be made to the Wisconsin; 11 grandchildren; Methodist Church of Lowell,

SMITH - Marvin Smith. ning. November 25, 1977.

Survivors include his wife Bernice: his children, Gary Joseph. Marvin James and Patricia, all of Rockford, Mrs. Diane Wood of Bailey, his granddaughter. Andrea Wood of Bai-Comstock Park and his sister. Mrs. Esther Nabkey of Kent-

The Mass of The Resurrection for Mr. Smith was offered Tues-day morning at 10 c.clock from St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Parnell, with the Rev. Kenneth Schichtel as celebrant. Interment in St. Patrick's Cemetery.

POTPOURRI Arthus Farley, Vincent Hoover and Patricia Sinz of Lowell and Toni Channer of Ada, all have become gallon donors at Grand Valley Blood Pro-

A celebration was held last Saturday at the Hoffman House in Grand Rapids for the 25th wedding anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. Herbert R. Mueller of homes. Other groups are plan-Lowell. They were wed Novem- ning to go carolling during the ber 29, 1952.

Laura Nead, 14, of Cedar Springs was injured critically last Wednesday evening after being involved in a head-on collision on 17 Mile Road, N.E. She was a passenger in a car driven by Marjorie Covell, which collided with a pickup truck. Her condition at Butterworth Hospital, although slightly improved, is still critical. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Nead of Cedar Springs and the great-granddaughter of ennie Condon of Lowell.

The Camp Fire Girls of Lowell are ready to help make the Christmas season joyous with a feted at the annual Christmas variety of activities.- many of which center around one of the organization's purposes, "Give

**Ancient Oriental Art** 

Several groups have adopted needy families, shut-ins, or "grandparents" in the local rest

Blue Bird groups have made decorations to be hung on the community Christmas tree in the downtown parking lot. All members will be contribu-

ting canned goods for the emergency food fund of the East Kent Community Center. These offerings are to be gathered at the time of the parade this Saturday, which all Blue Birds, Adventurers, and Discovery

Club members will be taking part in. Mothers of the girls will be Party, to be held at 7 p.m., Wednesday. December 7, at the Bushnell School. Each group is providing cookies, some of which have been made and

decorated as group projects. The program will consist of the singing of carols and the presentation of a short "pa geant," "We Light the Lights of Christmas.'

All Camp Fire Girls of the Keewano Council are currently busy with the annual sale of candy and cheese, the profits of which go to provide support for each group's activities, camperships for the sellers, camping facilities at Camp Keewano Council of Camp Fire Girls, Inc., supplementing the funding given by the United Way.

## **Girls Win Last Season Game**

Last Tuesday night, the LHS Ralys (5). Senior captain. Mary Varsity "girl's basketball team Gahan, had 10 assists. making

Senior captain, Maureen Malone did an outstanding job by Ralys and Elaine Blasher. Ralys sinking in 19 points and getting 16 rebounds. Malone has 121 points and 152 rebounds for the

Sparkling, Lisa Willyard, points and made 24 assists. Throughout the season, she has obtained 64 rebounds. 72 jump balls, 27 steals and 195 ecord of 84 set by Barb Church Freshman, Shirley "Twinkie"

Vilcox. displayed great driboling ability and managed to ptain 11 points for the Arrows. itting her season total at 85 Twinkie," also has 56 rebounds. 17 interceptions and 22 steals at the close of the season. Helping the Arrows put ints on the scoreboard were ludy Bobko (4). Mary Gahan (4), Nancy Fish (2) and Marcia

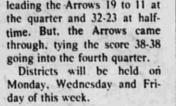
displayed superb teamwork as her seasonal total 77. Guy beat the Lakewood Vikings Controlling the boards for the with a final score of 55 to 53. Red Arrows were Maureen Malone, Allyson Althaus, Marcia has a total of 86 rebounds and Blasher has 91. Blasher has

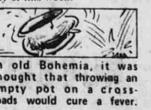
> C. Curtis and Brown were the high scorers for the Vikings. who had a very strong first-half leading the Arrows 19 to 11 at Arrows came through, tying the score 38-38 going into the fourth quarter. Districts will be held on

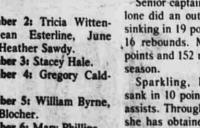


In old Bohemia, it was thought that throwing an empty pot on a crossroads would

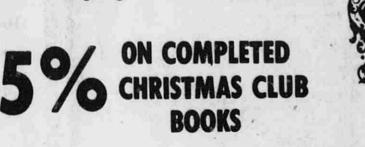
done a great job all year obtaining 47 interceptions and 40 steals.







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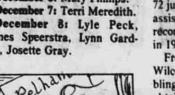
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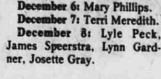




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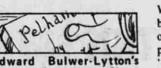
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December 2: Tricia Wittenbach, Jean Esterline, June Blough, Heather Sawdy. December 3: Stacey Hale. December 4: Gregory Cald-

BIRTHDAY

# **At Ford Museum**



Miniature and giant size trains were enjoyed by this group of boys at the Henry Ford Museum. Forty-five students toured the museum last Thursday on the Lowell YMCA's No School Bus Trip. The group is excitedly looking forward to visiting Greenfield Village on the YMCA's spring trip.

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Lowell and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bertran of Ada. Both are 1976 graduates of Lowell High School.

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**Fourteen Make All-A Listing** 

The first nine weeks marking David Fuss, David Garett, Dolly geriod of the 1977-78 school Gerard, Laurie Harrington, Leeyear at Lowell Senior High sa Hartley, Lee Hill. School, saw fourteen students earn All "A" records. They

Mary Hosley, freshman, Deanne Snyder, sophomore; Lori Don Lasby, Mark Lessens, Bergy, Deborah Price, Laura Lyndsay Machade. Schrenk, Tony Schwacha, Kathy Zywicki, juniors; and Colleen Kathleen Mauric, Melinda Mc-Doran, John Hosley, Brigid Elroy, Yolanda Miller, Lee Mauric, Brian Raymor, Sue Rypma, Kathy Smith and Pat VonEhr, seniors. Also gaining placement on the honor list by maintaining B or better averages were:

Ninth Grade Baerwalde, Linda Bergy, Jim Bice, John Bieri, Rose Bigelow, Tom Brown, John Bruce, Diane Cornell. Pam Desotell, Kelly Dicker-

son, Jeff Dykhuisen, Craig Eley, Gary Ellison, Cheryl Guild, Kooiman.

Marentette, Lori Miller, Brent ie Clark. Mitchell, Peggy Monks, Deb Patricia Craig, Rhonda Dick-

Janice Rasch, H. M. Raymor, chowalski, Marilee Grummet, Ruth Reagan, Phil Richards, Kirk Haybarker. Robert Rittersdorf, Angela Ritz-Maryjo Serne, Kathy Sitzer. Jeff Stormzand, Dawn Swan, hof, Joan Nugent. Deb Timinskis, Sherri Vezino, Marcia Ralys, Carrie Raymor, Teresa Winer, Tina Zwicki.

Tenth Grade Larry Abel, Connie Albus, Lois Steenwyk, Susan Storm-Patricia Alderink, Jim Ander- and Mitzi Talbot, Deb Thomet, son, Kim Armstrong, Susan John Waite, Cary Warning, Sue Baerwalde, Jane Bailey, Dale Wilcox, Lisa Willyard. Bieri, Tim Bregg, Brian Brown, Ronda Carey, Chris Conlisk.

Kevin Blanding, Judy Bobko, cerned, involved and willing to MEET DECEMBER 8 Karla Burton, Warren Church, help make a difference in our Laura Dey, Brian Dickerson, Community, Ann Drews, Mark Eichoff, John Ellison, Craig Essich, Lindsay Fonger. Mary Gahan, John Gerard,

Mark Homolka, Bryan John son, Mike Kaye, Angie Kehoe, ver, Michael Irwin. haron Keim, Patricia Kline, William Jasinski, Karen Ke-Diane Kooiman, Kathy Kropf, hoe, JoAnn Keim, Tom Kemp-

Greg Martinez, Mary Magle, Moody, Cliff Mulder, Keith Murphy, Bill Nagy, Abby Pot-ter, Lori Reed, Linda Rexford. Kelly Robbins, Dan Sarniak Brenda Schedel, Dori Schoen, David Schuelke, Sue Sitzer, Sheila Smith, Deb Stegmier, John Anderson, Connie Kathy Thebo, Tracy Timpson, Baird, Scott Barnhart, Paul Sharri Tougsignaut, Lee Welch. Ellen Wheeler, Lori Wieren-

ga, William Wierenga, Lynn Wilcox, Karen Wynalda, Sheri Clark, Dawn Condon, Daren VanBelkum, Susan Vandawater, Steve VanderZeil, Ann Van-Raalte, Laura Yost. Eleventh Grade

Randy Adams, Allyson Al-Nancy Hansen, Penny Hansen, thaus, Maureen Anderson, Maureen Hawley, Abby Jac- Kory Andrews, Mary Benedict, qmain, Steven King, Susan Bob Bieri, Ed Bobko, Dawn Kooiman. Cindy Lastoczy, Michelle Canfield, Connie Carigon, Becky Carl, Jana Carlson, Bern-

Myers, Scott Noffke, John erson, Brad Eley, Debbie Elli-North, Camden Parks, Mike son, Kevin Feasal, Ted Feuer-Pollice, Darla Price, Julie Rams- stein, Lori Gahan, Philip Goble, Clay Greenwald, Kevin Gro-

Debra Hinds, Margaret Janema, Dale Rogers, Becky Rooze, nega, Carol Kaminski, Karen Bob Sarniak, Bill Schruer, Kelly, Carrie Kuiper, Mike Lessens, Ron Moore, Martin My-Mark Smith, Steven Smith, ers, Lori Nowak, Howard Nord-

Kelly Werner, Brian Westcott, Paul Richards, Tim Robinson, Lisa Wittemore, Margaret Wi- Jeff Ross, Kristine Schruer, erenga, Melodie Wilkerson, Francis Simmerer, Laurie Smith, Michael R. Smith, Heather Spillane.

**Twelfth Grade** 

Tammy Albus, Ray Alexan-Ted Dalstra, Laura DenBoer, der, Susan Anderson, Glenn Nancy DeLoof, Cheryl DeWitt, Bailey, Patrick Bailey, Tracy Kellie Eickhoff, Barry Eldridge, Banfill, Bonnie Batterbee, An-

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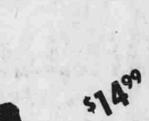
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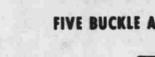
















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nette Beebe, Joe Barnes, Jenny Benedict, Steve Berrington. Kevie Berrington. Netter Blackies Ludger - Wednesday, November 30, 1977 - Page 3 VFW AUXILIARY TO month of September, according

Ladies' Auxiliary of the V.F.W., Lowell, will be December 8.

This will be our Christmas party so please bring a dish to pass for our potluck meal and also bring a \$2 gift to exchange. The meal will be at 6:30 p.m. Regular meeting to follow Let's make this a good turn out.

## CONSUMER PRICE

INCREASES MODERATE The continuing decline in farm prices is responsible for keeping the increase in consum-

month of September, accordi to the Labor Department, Ser tember consumer prices rose b only three-tenths of one per cent. Retail food prices rose onl one-tenth of one percent, follow ing August increase of three tenths of one percent. Prices declined for pork. poultry, fresh fruits, eggs, coffee and dairy products. Despite the modera tion in September consume prices, they were still 6.6 per cent higher than those of a year

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## The Grand Valley Ledger - Wednesday, November 30, 1977 - Page 4 **Alto AWANA Awards Given**

The AWANA Chapter at the book, and Renee Lambert. First Baptist Church of Alto held . Also recognized this quarter its quarterly award night, Tues- was one of the leaders. Sharon day, November 15th. The top two clubbers for the Chum verse packet which conguarter were Tom Moss, who tains all verses that clubbers,

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they earned as a club in passing 350 sections in an 8 week time period. We are very proud of our clubbers and leaders for working so hard this quarter.

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The AWANA clubbers were

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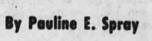
# **Fiftieth Open House**



Thirty-Sixth Street, Lowell, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house on Sunday, December 4, from 1 antil 4 p.m. at St. Mary's Church, 322 Amity Street, Lowell. All of the Huver's relatives and friends are cordially invited to help them celebrate the event. They have requested no gifts,

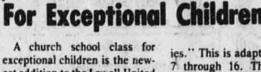
The open house will be hosted by their children, Donna and Ed Smit, Pat and Cam Hoffman, Dick and Jean Huver. Bob and Judy Huver, Mary and Chuck Smyth and Dan and Ann Huver.

# HOMESPUN DEVOTIONS



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est addition to the Lowell United Methodist ministry. The church, through its edumorning cation commitee, has recently

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come to grips with the fact that

children with learning disabili-Since no local church is likely to have more than one or two hildren in this category, an invitation is being extended to all area churches to join in the

son, a class has been started for

An interdenominational curriculum resource is being used entitled "Exploring Life Ser. ing Office at 456-661. Enroll-ment is limited. entitled "Exploring Life Ser-

ies." This is adaptable for ages 7 through 16. The class will meet in the church's Educational Unit at 9:45 each Sunday

Parents and other interested persons are invited to call Mrs. Thomas Harper, Children's Coordinator. 897-9012, or the church office, 897-7514, for

NURSE'S AID COURSE The local Red Cross Nursing and Health Program office will be offering a 7-day Nurse's Aide Course to be held December 12-16 plus December 19 and 20. The class will meet from 8:30 aim. to 4 p.m. each day. The course is free but \$10 is charged to cover supplies. To register call the Kent County Chapter of the Red Cross Nurs-

# COMING

# **EVENTS**

THURS., DEC. 1: Holiday Magic Bazaar, 9:30 to 6:30, at o'clock, meat & coffee furnishthe First United Methodist ed. Bring own service, a dish to Church of Lowell, Thursday, pass and a \$1.50 present for the December 1. Something for gift exchange. everyone

FRI., DEC. 2: School Instruction for Cyclamen Chap-ter #94 O.E.S. will be held Kent County Farm Bureau of-Friday, December 2 at 7:30 p.m. fice, 6525 Alpine Ave., Grand Rapids on Monday, December at the Lowell Masonic Temple. All officers please try to attend. FRI., DEC. 2: The December what's happening in Washing-

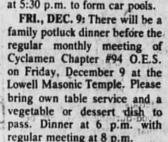
FORUM Meeting of Church ton. Come and get acquainted Vomen United of the Grand everyone welcome. Sponsored Rapids area will be held Friday, by the Kent County Farm December 2, at St. Jude Catho- Bureau Women. lic Church. 3455 Assumption. TUES., DEC. 13: Lowell N.E. at Four Mile Road. 9:15 T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds a.m. Registration, Coffee and Sensibly) will hold their Christ-Friendship

SAT., DEC.' 3: Vergennes ber 13. Weigh-ins from 6 to 6:30 Township Residents-Come. enjoy a Chinese Chop Stick Dinner, family style. Saturday, December 3, serving 5 to 7:30 p.m. Adults, \$2; children 8 years and under, \$1; under 3 rears, free. Corner of Bailey and Parnell Avenues. Door prizes too. Sponsored by Vergennes United Methodist Youth Group.

SAT., DEC. 3: 5 to 7:30 p.m., FISH FRY - Fish, potatoes, bread, salad, dessert, etc. Public Invited. All you can eat. Masonic Temple, Lowell.

Church of Parnell will sponsor a' on Sunday, December 4, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Christmas decorations, baked goods, plants gifts, door prizes and food will be offered.

will have their Christmas Party Wednesday, December 7 at Inga Weeks' home at 6 p.m. Bring own table service and dish to pass. There will be a \$2 gift exchange. Meet at the Temple



The lunch will be held in the There will be a \$1 gift exchange. Closer, closer, Lord, to Thee. Hostesses are Ellura McPher-



panic when friends or relatives goods. Let us give diligence and 'just happen to drop in." be prepared for emergen-Some women prepare for such emergencies by keeping a speci-fic cupboard shelf filled with supplies—cake and biscuit mix-emergencies of life by keeping supplies—cake and biscuit mix-supplies—cake and biscuit mix-su es, casserole materials, and my spiritual shelves well stock- Christmas luncheon on Satur canned meats. These foods are ed with faith, hope, and love. day, December 10 at 12:30 p.m.

reserved for unexpected meal- Amen. Emergencies arise in the lives of all Christians. We can pre-

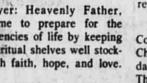
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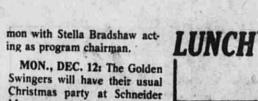
pare for these times by adding Ev'ry bridge is burned behind

Strenghen all the ties that bind

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for if ye do these things, ye shall challenges alone. God is with never fall (II Peter 1:10). us. He is helping us. Unexpected company at meal- Christians, we need to cultitime can create embarassment vate an inward serenity by a unless you have a reserve of food on hand. Potatoes in the basement, canned fruit and Source of relying upon No unforeseen circumstance can vegetables on the shelves in the cause the Christian embarrass-fruit closet, and meat in the ment if he has his spiritual freezer eliminate the need of shelves stocked with these





fanor at noon Monday. Decem-

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Rolls with P-Nut Butter, Chocolate Pudding with Whip, Milk. who wish further details please call 897-8074 or 897-9967. Low-TREAT YOUR FRIENDS ell T.O.P.S. meet each Tuesday. weigh-ins from 7 to 7:30 p.m. at

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# Lyle Darby, Passes

Lyle Darby. 71. of 86 Center also as village councilman. Street. Saranac. died Tuesday, November 22, in Bergland. Survivors include his wife, two sons, Don of Saranac and Grace (Rowland) Darby. Curtis in Saranac January 18, grandchild. 1933. and owned Darby's Auto Services were held Friday at

Service in Saranac for 40 years. the Roetman-Lake Funeral Mr. Darby also served as Home with Rev. James Frank firechief and a fire fighter on the officiating. Burial was made in Saranac Fire Department and Saranac Cemetery.

## **Superstars** Competition

Ten superstars will be crown- event co-sponsor. "Participants ed December 28. after compet- will officiate their own events. ing in Ionia County's Superstar whenever possible, encouraging the Saranac Community residents and students. 5th one's part." grade and above.

each participant competing in a um. All contestants will receive advertising agency and presimaximum of eight events. a participation certificate with dent of PrintCraft both of Fort enjoyable program, with the carning additional awards.

Community Center Director and County 4-H Youth Agent indica-

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He was born July 8, 1906. in Earl of Lake Odessa; two daugh-Saranac, the son of William and ters, JoAnn Smith of Grand Ledge and Sally Gould of Ada; He married the former Helen 11 grandchildren and one great-

, which is open to county fair play and trust on every-

Eighteen events from weight- the Ionia Community Center Lansing Business Institute. lifting to chess will be held with and the Ionia Jr. High gymnasi- Chariman of AdCraft Associates

emphasis on friendly competi- "The winners will truly be tion and First Security Bank of tion." said Fred Zuchowski, superstars." Mary King, Ionia Ionia ted. "They will have to be BAZAAR, SUNDAY competent in physical, active St. Anthony's Church, Saraevents such as wrist wrestling or nac, will hold a pre-holiday the mile run, as well as think- Bazaar at the church this Sun ing-kind of activities like chess day. December 4. and brain teasers. We think the Open to the public, it will be variety of events will appeal to a conducted from 12 noon to 4 large number of people and p.m. expect a really good tournament."

> ed to county schools, various born, Jacob Gay, Rollin Hill. businesses throughout the county. or may be obtained at the Free Wood Heat Community Center, 103 W. Washington. Ionia, or at the Guide Available Ionia County Extension Office. 110 E. Washington, Ionia. For more information call (616) 527-1400 or the Community Center. supply of wood in Michigan, wood heat can be an attractive at (616) 527-0690.

# **To Recognize Top 4-Hers**

The outstanding 4-H'ers from throughout Ionia County will be recognized at the annual Fall Achievement Banquet on Thurs-Farm Bureau Insurance Group day. December 8. 7:30 p.m. at of Michigan has a free guide St. John's Lutheran School. A potluck dinner will precede the

The Ionia County 4-H Advis

ory Council is sponsoring the event which acklowledges those 4-H members who make extra efforts which separates them from other members. To be eligible for the awards. the members were nominated by their leaders. After completing a cumulative achievement summary, the Advisory Council Awards Committee reviewed each summary to determine those to receive this special recognition.

"We asked the Awards Committee to look at the contribumade to their club. and communities, as well as their efforts to grow as individuals," said a factor, but what they did to develop themselves and their clubs is really significant."

#### McCARTY ELECTED TO DAVENPORT BOARD

Emerson McCarty, president of McCarty Communications in Saranac was recently elected to the Board of Trustees of Davenport College in Grand Rapids. McCarty, a past president of Schools' Board of Education is treasurer of Manpower. Inc., of The competition will occur at Grand Rapids, a director of "We think this will be a really grade level and overall winners Myers. Florida, and is a director of Independent Bank Corpora-

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## By Roger Brown

Winter doesn't officially arrive until December 21, but, as far as tions the individual members I'm concerned, it arrived last Thursday when we received that first snowfall. In fact, I'm usually sick to death of winter by that December 21 official opener.

Ever notice how winter stimulates some businesses: I was in Bob Kilpatrick. Advisory Coun-cil president. "Their projects awards or placing received at various fairs or shows were also a factor, but what they did to and I saw more than one customer leave Hahn's Hardware with a new snow shovel over his shoulder.

For other businesses, the coming of winter merely means an assortment of new headaches, the auto dealers were busy shuttling cars so that their lots could be plowed and others were busy shoveling their walks. The real headache of headaches doesn't usually arrive until somewhere around that December 21 officia starting date and that of course is the first cold weather heat bill. I remember looking at that December bill for the Ledger last year and was expensive to heat.

nearly fainting dead away, until then. I had thought that my house This kind of weather always means that we haul out all our cold weather gear that was gleefully put away on the first warm day last spring. I got out my winter dress coat a couple of weeks ago so that some repairs could be made on it and among other things that I found in the pockets was a roll of 35mm film. When I got the mysterious roll of film back from the processor I found that it had pictures of my son's second birthday party in April and some that I had taken of the kids on a nice spring day while hiking along the Grand River.

I thought this was a rather pleasant surprise considering some of the surprises that I have experienced in the past when dragging out the cold weather gear. I once found a little plastic box of well dried cornboers in the pocket of my insulated coveralls that were left from an ice fishing trip during the previous winter. When I hauled out my snowmobile boots last winter. I discovered that a mouse had set up nousekeeping in one of them. I'm sure the mouse thought he had found the ideal home in those snug felt packs. About the only good thing that I can say for this impending winter

is that it will undoubtedly be the source of new material for the "cozy corner." I can see it all now, stuck cars, tempermental snowmobiles, frozen pipes, ice skating bumps and bruises, crabby kids with colds, crabby parents with colds, and the list goes on.





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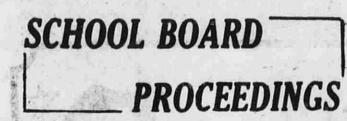




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- DRIVE THROUGH AND COMPARE



Lowell Area Schools', Lowell, Michigan, Board Education, Regular Open Meeting, October 10, 1977.

The Board meeting was held at the Alto Area Elementary School, Alto, Michigan, Meeting called to order at 7:40 p.m. by President David

Roll Call-Members Present: D. Miller, Thaler, Dowling, Jansma, Kropf, Ray Alexander (student representative), loberts at 7:45 p.m. Members Absent: Lloyd Miller

Motion by Thaler, seconded by Dowling, to approve the inutes of the Regular Open Meeting held on September 12,

Ayes-5 Nay-0 Motion Carried

Motion by Dowling, seconded by Thaler, to approve payment of General Fund bills as listed. (Check #12171 through 12318, total \$80,212,88) Ayes-6 Naya-0 Motion Carried

Motion by Dowling, seconded by Thaler, to approve payment of Building and Site bills as listed. (Check #562 through 569, total \$6,209.17) Ayes-6 Nays-0 Motion Carried

## C.E.C.A.

Visitors were recognized. Mr. Charles King, representing the C.E.C.A. Committee reported that the committee had \$9,419 in the bank as of October 7, 1977. They already have given \$11,058 to the board, and have outstanding individual pledges of \$2,208 and business pledges of \$2,965. If all pledges come in, the committee will have raised close to \$26,000, which is about \$7,000 short of the needed amount. Future events planned are: paper drive, game ball raffle, Detroit Lions-Faculty basketball game, and a dance in the spring. One big project scheduled for October 30 is a dance at Shady Acres with Stillwater.

### **Bus Route**

Some Questions on bus routing were raised and discussed.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

M.A.M.S.E. 1. Mrs. Kay Numbers, middle school teacher, presented a report on the preparations for the Michigan Association of Middle School Educators' conference to be held at the Middle School on March 16,17, 1978. This is the seventh conference this Association has had, and is the first time it has been held on the west side of the state. George Plimpton will be the banquet speaker, and they hope to have Governor Milliken address the group. Attendance should reach at least 1,000 people; staff and students will be involved, with. essions open to parents.

#### Transportation

2. Committee Reports: A. Transportation--Mr. Dave Miller reported that the committee had met, along with Harold Metternick who had served on that committee for many years. We plan to continue to try to provide the best service possible, and will be reviewing routes in an effort to reduce or eliminate any inconsistencies in service. The committee also discussed bidding on buses, and suggests réquiring 2 local bids rather than 4. Mr. Miller asked that this be studied by the administration and transportation department.

#### **Public Relations**

B. Public Relations. Mrs. Jansma reported that the Welcoming Committee is functioning and has made over 200 contacts with new individuals since May 1, 1977. The committee works in conjunction with the Lowell Rotary Club. Pending legislation on unemployment compensation for school employees during summer and vacations and teacher

licensure were also brought up. Costs of a public survey were given and will be presented at the next meeting for a vote. This survey would determine how the public feels after cuts and changes have been made in our schools.

C. Policies--(1) Motion by Thaler, seconded by Jansma, to dopt Policy 5117.1, School Attendance Areas. Aves-6 Navs-0 Motion Carried

(2.) Motion by Thaler, seconded by Jansma, to adopt Policy 5130, Overnight Trip.

Ayes-6 Nays-0 Motion Carried

## **Aspens Property**

D. Community Relations--The request for a transfer of the property known as "The Aspens" from Lowell to the Forest Hills District was discussed.

Motion by Wayne Dowling, seconded by Roger Roberts, to dopt the following proposed resolution concerning a request for a property transfer from the Lowell School District to the Forest Hills School District.

Ayes-6 Nays-0 Motion Carried

#### Resolution

The Board of Education of the Lowell Area School District nereby adopts the following Resolution regarding the petition of Jerome A. and Clara S. Balzeski, F. Folsom and Betty H. Bell, David Warren and Janice R. Buys acting through F. Folsom Bell as their attorney-in-fact for transfer of properties from the Lowell Area School District to the Forest Hills School District:

WHEREAS the properties have been a part of the Lowell School District for at least 18 years, and WHEREAS the petitioners knew that the properties were

ocated within the Lowell Area School District at the time of ourchase, and WHEREAS the Lowell Area School District provides

quality education; its high school has been accredited by both the University of Michigan and North Central Association since 1903, and its Middle School is one of only 12 middle schools accredited by the North Central Association of Schools in the State of Michigan, and

WHEREAS the Alto Area Elementary School, a part of the Lowell Area Schools, has ample room for additional students, and the Forest Hills Pine Ridge Elementary School has more students than they would like to have in some grades that are affected, and

WHEREAS the bus service that students receive is very normal and not unduly long; specifically, the elementary Miller. students would not ride more than 30 minutes to and from school; secondary students would ride approximately 25 Kropf, L. Miller. minutes to school and 45 minutes on the way home. In Forest Hills the elementary children would ride 55 minutes to schoo and 10 minutes going home; middle and high school students

would ride about 30 minutes each way, and WHEREAS the potential development of the area in the very near future would be a very significant factor in the repayment of the indebtedness of the Lowell School District,

WHEREAS only 7 of the 22 parcels have homes on them. BUSINESS and in three of the homes, children presently attend school: 19 other parcels are included in the transfer, and

WHEREAS while the properties involved in the requested it is not ususual and it does not unduly force the Lowell Miller, Mrs. Collins, and Mrs. Ellison. school to travel long distances to provide required services, surrounding school districts, and

that transfers should be made by mutual consent of the districts involved; if school district boundaries were significantly straightened, and a reasonable exchange of property evaluation existed, and these conditions are not being satisfied,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lowell 2. Board members were reminded of the property transfer Area Schools' Board of Education opposes this transfer of hearing on transfer of properties from the Lowell District to properties.

#### Personne

E. Personnel Committee--Motion by Kropf, seconded by 3. Board members were reminded of the Kent Intermed-Roberts, to offer a contract to Donald E. Kelly as late Association of School Boards' meeting on October 27, Superintendent of Schools for the 1977-78 school year. 1977 Ayes-6 Nays-0 Motion Carried

Evaluations were discussed and the board will begin to Lease Agreement as revised with the City of Lowell for the organize their evaluation processes so that an evaluation of tennis courts at Burch Field. the superintendent can be made in January. Connector

3. Superintendent Kelly reported that the City of Lowell is licensing of our Head Start Program by the Department of moving towards getting a connector between Foreman Road Social Service. The Department was most complimentary in and M-21, along the outer area of Valley Vista and Gee their evaluation of our program under the direction of Mrs. Fran Hoad.

#### Appreciation

A letter from Mrs. Neihoff to the Bushnell staff was read. 6. Mrs. Jansma reported that the State School Board Mrs. Neihoff's children attended Bushnell, coming here Association has come out in favor of supporting the petition S 8D13M E 245.49 ft th S 34D47M W 285.12 ft to E&W 1/4 from Brazil, and she expressed her appreciation for the drive to amend the Constitution and put the drinking age up cooperation, help training, and attitude of the staff and to age 21. students.

#### Signing Checks

4. Motion by Jansma, seconded by Dowling, to amend Mr. Gary Kemp, senior-high school principal, recognized Item 7 of the Organizational Meeting held on July 5, 1977, to visitors and staff and gave a short introduction to the three also authorize the Business Manager to sign General Fund senior high school programs on the agenda.

Ayes-6 Nays-0 Motion Carried Motion by Jansma, seconded by Roberts, to amend the A. David Boone, senior high school instructor, gave above motion to delete the assistant superintendent from presentation on data processing. the list of approved signatures of General Fund checks. Ayes-6 Nays-0 Motion Carried

Tennis courts inters drift Form

5. Superintendent Kelly reported on the proposed Lease C. Pete Siler, agriculture teacher, explained the various Agreement with the City of Lowell on the tennis courts at Burch Field.

Motion by Dowling, seconded by Jansma, to table the matter and revise the proposed lease. (This will be presented at the next meeting.) Aves-6 Navs-0 Motion Carried

Newslette The need for communicating with the public, particularly this year when all operational millage expires. was discussed. Various options were described and discussed.

## M.E.R.C.

7. Superintendent Kelly reported on the M.E.R.C. hearing concerning Mrs. Blodgett and Mr. Kooyer. Attorneys will be filing briefs and we should have a decision in about six

#### Partitions

8. Middle School partitions have arrived and have been installed.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Membershi 1. Our Fourth Friday count shows 3066 students in the BUSINESS K-12 program and 81 full-time equivalencies in Adult Education, totalling 3147.

#### New Teacher

2. Motion by Jansma, seconded by Thaler, to offer a teaching contract to Debbie Towne, middle school mathematics teacher Aves-6 Navs-0 Motion Carried

### **Special Meeting**

3. Motion by Jansma, seconded by Roberts, to hold a Special Open Meeting on Monday, October 24, 1977, at 7:30 p.m. in Room A-5 of the Senior High School, 750 Foreman millage campaign. Road, in Lowell. Ayes-6 Nays-0 Motion Carried

This meeting will be of special interest to parents as it will involve the computer terminal at the high school, the new greenhouse, and the areas of career education and curriculum.

#### Conference

4. The M.A.S.B. conference will be held November 4 and 5, 1977. "How to Pass Millage and Bond Elections" will be the topic.

#### K.I.A.S.B. 5. The Board was reminded that there will be a K.I.A.S.B.

meeting on October 27, 1977; topic, "Competency Tests." the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

> Respectfully submitted Orion Thaler, Secretary

Lowell Area Schools', Lowell, Michigan, Board Of Education, Special Open Meeting, October 24, 1977.

The special meeting was held at the Lowell Senior High BUSINESS School, Room A-5, 750 Foreman Road, Lowell, Michigan

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President David Members Present: Miller, Roberts, Dowling, Jansma,

Members Absent: Thaler Motion by Roberts, seconded by Kropf, to approve the

Agenda, as amended.

Visitors were welcomed by President David Miller.

Community Survey 1. Judy Jansma presented a report from the Community transfer do create a protrusion in the school district boundary Survey Committee composed of Mrs. Jansma, Mr. Lloyd Motion by Jansma, seconded by Lloyd Miller that we and these boundary irregularities are not unusual in engage the firm of Ned S. Hubbell for purpose of conducting a survey with 90% accuracy by local people with the personal \$4,100 WHEREAS school districts in the area have jointly agreed interview method at a maximum cost of \$5,000.

Nay. Motion Defeated.

Ayes-6 Nays-0 Motion Carried

Roll Call Vote: D. Miller, Aye; L. Miller, Aye; Roberts, Nay; Thaler, Absent; Dowling, Nay; Jansma, Aye; Kropf,

**Property Transfer Hearing** 

the Forest Hills School District to be held at 7:30 p.m. on November 1, 1977 at the kent Intermediate School District. K.I.A.S.B. Meeting

Tennis Courts 4. Motion by Roberts, seconded by Dowling, to adopt the

Head Start

5. Mr. Kelly informed the Board of an evaluation and

#### Legal Drinking Age

Data Processing

Career Ed.

B. Gordon Gould, senior high school guidance counselor, introduced visitors to the new Career Education Center. Green House

uses of the new greenhouse and his agriculture program.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m. Respectfully submitted, David Miller, Acting Secretary

Lowell Area Schools', Lowell, Michigan, Board Of Education, Special Open Meeting, October 31, 1977.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President David

Members Present: Miller, Roberts, Thaler, Dowling Kropf, Jansma, L. Miller. Members Absent: None.

Visitors were recognized and the matter of bus stops and routes added to the agenda, as requested. Motion by Lloyd Miller, seconded by Roger Roberts, to approve the agenda as amended.

Aves-7 Navs-0 Motion Carried

#### Transportation

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Miller

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1. Some changes in bus stops were discussed, and parents views aired. It was decided to study bus routes and stops in order to develop a complete proposal to implement an economical, fair plan for the entire district.

2. The board members discussed controversial issues that existed last year; those that have been resolved, and those

Survey & Campaign 3. Board members discussed a community survey and the

Motion by Jansma, seconded by Thaler, to waive policy 9340.2 and continue the meeting in an effort to resolve the matters under discussion.

> Nays-0 Motion Carried New Meeting Date

4. Motion by Roberts, seconded by Kropf, to cancel the November 14 meeting and reschedule it to November 21,

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 11:02 p.m. Respectfully submitted Orion Thaler, Secretary

Lowell Area Schools', Lowell, Michigan, Board Education, Special Open Meeting, November 9. 1977.

Meeting called to order at 8:35 p.m. by President David

Members Present: David Miller, Roger Roberts, Orion Thaler, Roger Kropf, Wayne Dowling, Judy Jansma. Members Absent: Lloyd Miller.

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The foregoing Preamble and Resolution were offered by Member Roger Roberts and supported by Member Judy Jansma

WHEREAS the Kent Intermediate School District, at the conclusion of a public hearing held on November 1, 1977, considered and approved the transfer of the following described parcels of land from the Lowell Area Schools to the Forest Hills Schools:

#### 1. Charles E. and Theodora F. Robertson

Lot 1 Tax No. 41-19-22-176-005, Assessed Valuation \$4,600: Lot 10 Tax No. 41-19-22-176-015, Assessed Valuation \$5,700; Lot 11 Tax No. 41-19-22-176-007, Assessed Valuation \$5,200; Lot 13 Tax No. 41-19-22-176-009, Assessed Valuation, \$5,700; Lot 14 Tax No. 41-19-22-176-010, Assessed Valuation \$5,200;Lot 15 Tax No. 41-19-22-176-011, Assessed Valuation \$5,200;Lot 17 Tax No. 41-19-22-176-017, Assessed Valuation

2. Charles G. and Davina VanVolkinburg, Lot 2 Tax No. 41-19-22-176-004, Assessed Valuation \$32,000. 3. Peter G., Jr. and Frances Wobbema, Lot 3, Tax No.

41-19-22-176-003, Assessed Valuation \$4,600. 4. Jerome A. and Clara S. Balzeski, Lot 4, Tax No 41-19-22-176-002, Assessed Valuation \$35,200.

5. F. Folsom & Betty H. Bell, Lot 5, Tax 41-19-22-176-001, Assessed Valuation \$60,400. 6. Frank G. & Deborah N. Snow: Lot 6. Tax 41-19-22-176-006, Assessed Valuation \$10,300.

7. Dennis D. & Sabina B. Noble, Lot 7. 41-19-22-176-012, Assessed Valuation \$6,200. 8. Thomas J. & Roberta K. Mulder, Lot 8, Tax

41-19-22-176-013, Assessed Valuation \$10,300, 9. David Warren & Janice L. Moody, Lot 9. Tax No

41-19-22-176-014, Assessed Valuation \$35,400. 10. Louis Schmidt, Lot 12, Tax No. 41-19-22-176-008, Assessed Valuation \$43,000.

11. Jack Nieuwstraten, Lot 16, Tax No. 41-19-22-176-016, Assessed Valuation \$7,700.

12. Richard Wolbers, Part of N1/2 of Sec com 115.5 ft. W along E&W 1/4 line fr cen of Sec th N 35D E 695 ft to ¢ of Cascade Rd th NWIy along sd ¢ to SEly line of Lot 17 of The Aspens ext NEly th S 56DM4M W along sd SEly Lot line 274.14 ft th S 15D27M30S E along E line of sd plat 86.74 ft th line th Ely 20.67 ft to beg, all in sec 22 T6N R10W. Tax No. 41-19-22-176-018 Assessed Valuation \$32,600

13. Part N1/2 of Sec com on E&W 1/4 line 115.5 ft W. of cen of Sec. th E along E&W1/4 line to a pt 409.12 ft W of W line of Cascade Rd (100 ft wide) th NEly perp to sd rd thru a pt on W line of sd rd which is 210 ft NWIy along sd W line fr E&W1/4 line to ¢ of sd rd then NWIy along sd c to a line bearing N35\* W to beg ex NWly 33 ft; all in Sec 22 T6N R10W Tax No. 41-19-22-200-014 Assessed Valuation \$12,500

14. Roger J. and Janice R. Buys

Part N¼ com 409.12 ft W along E&W¼ line fr W line of Cascade Rd (100 ft wide) th E 409.12 ft th NWly along W line of sd rd 210 ft th SWIy perp to W line of sd rd to beg; all in Sec 22 T6N R10W Tax No. 41-19-22-200-015 Assessed Valuation \$13,100

WHEREAS this board feels that this transfer detrimental to the Lowell Area Schools District and its

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1. This board does hereby appeal the decision of the Kent Intermediate School District transferring the above described land to the Forest Hills Schools; and

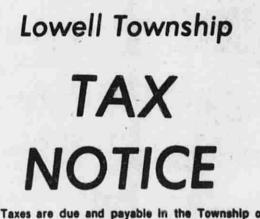
2. This Board directs the Secretary of the Board to cause an appeal to be filed with the State Board of Education in accordance with the law

Ayes: Members Roger Roberts, Orion Thaler, Wayne Dowling, Judy Jansma, Roger Kropf, David Miller Nays: Members None

Motion Declared Passed

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Orion Thaler, Secretary

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Lowell between December, 1977, and February 14, 1978

I will be at the Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash Avenue, S.E., on Thursdays and Fridays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. and on Saturdays between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. beginning December 1 Dog licenses are due and payable January 1, and

current certification of vaccination is required. Assistance will be provided Senior Citizens and

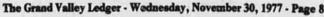
Veterans for the Michigan CR1040 Homestead Tax Forms.

Anyone desiring to register for voting may also do so at this time.

> Doris Boyd, Lowell Township Treasurer

**Resolution Opposing Property Transfer** 

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# **Arrows Second In Quadrangular**

The Lowell High School grapplers opened their 1977-78 season last Saturday by placing second in a quadrangular meet at Lowell High School. Muskegon Catholic Central walked off with first place

honors with 89 points; Lowell, second 70: Forest Hills Central. + and Tom Oesch all placed first third, 64; and Alma, fourth, 37.

## **Bags Ten Pointer**

One lucky deer hunter bagged this large 10-point buck, north of Lowell, near the end of the season. Steve DenBoer, 14, 591 Alden

Nash, killed the deer with one shot that passed through the heart.

This was his first season and hopes to be as successful with his bow.

**Annual Cleaning** 

Randy Kropf and Tom Oesch got pins in both rounds for Lowell. For Muskegon Catholic Central Rick McCabe and Joe Brubater each had two pins and Joe Calandrino had two pins for

Forest Hills Central. John Wilder, Randy Kropf for Lowell. Greg Martinez. Ted Kazemier and Ed Loughlin got

seconds. Joe Rathbun, Bill Nagy. Nathan Swift and Dan Stuart all got thirds.

The Arrows will have their first dual meet December 1 against Ionia, here. The Junior Varsity matches will start at 6 p.m. with the varsity teams taking over the mats at 7:30 p.m. The rest of this year's sched-

ule for the Red Arrows is as Feb. 4 follows: Dec. 6 Kenowa Hills Here Feb. 11 Regionals Assigned

Dec. 8 Fremont There

Dec. 13 Wyoming Pk. Here Dec. 15 Sparta Here Dec. 17 Olivet Tourn. 12 Noon Dec. 22 Cedar Springs The: Dec. 30 Lowell Inv. Tentative There Jan. 5 Greenville Here Jan. 12 Belding Jan. 14 Mt. Pleas. Inv. 12 Noon Jan. 17 G.R. Union There Jan. 19 Coopersville There Jan. 21 Muskegon Inv. 12 Noon Jan. 26 Lakewood Here Conference Sparta Jan. 28 District Assigned Feb. 9 F.H.Northern Here Feb. 17-18 State Assigned



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cleaning. Lowell DPW employees with volunteer help from George Dey, Bill Gardener, and Tom Cornell steam cleaned the decorations in Tuesday morning's sub-freezing temperatures. The decorations will be hung sometime this week.

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Phone 897-9841

The Santa Clauses that decorate Lowell's Main Street were

# Lacic-House **Vows Spoken**

Miss Dorothy Lacic of Lowell and Edwin J. House of Kentwood were united in marriage on Saturday, November 5, at the Snow United Methodist Church. The Rev. Allan Wittrup performed the four o'clock cere-Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lacic.

jr., of Lowell are the bride's parents, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry House of Shelby. Escorted to the altar by her

father, the bride was adorned in a floor-length gown of organza, enhanced with lace appliques and ruffles. featuring a fitted bodice, long sleeves and full train. An organza and lace trimmed picture hat completed her ensemble.

Matron of honor was the bride's sister. Adeline Carpenter and the best man was Chris Carpenter. Tammy Powers was the flower girl.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Cedar Springs Community Building. After a short honeymoon trip. the couple is residing in Kentwood where they are both employed at Lescoa. A special out-of-town guest at

the wedding was the bride's pen pal. Meri Slovinski of Pennsylvania, with whom she had corresponded for nearly ten vears.

#### **EFFICIENCY INCREASES CROP PRODUCTION**

Today's farmer is more efficient that his 1950's cousin. increasing crop production by over 60 percent per acre. Improved varieties of crops and livestock and better use of chemicals, fertilizers, and pesticides have all helped. But the main . son for his improved production record has been the shift to mechanization. Since 1950, manual labor has decreased by 40 percent, whereas the use of mechanical power and machinery has increased by 30 percent.

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