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Moose Catfish Derby

JOINS ZEIGLER'S STAFF...
Joining the sales staff at the Harold Zeigler Ford Agency this week is Gordon Ransom. He comes to Lowell with 33 years of experience in the automotive field.

Ransom, who resides in Ionia with his wife, Barbara, invites everyone to stop in at Zeigler's and get acquainted...

TO HOLD CHARITY TOURNAMENT...
On Sunday, July 16, at 2 p.m. the Lowell Beer Store and VFW softball teams will sponsor a four-team "Battle of Champions" Charity Softball Tournament at Lowell's Recreation Park. Donations by Lowell Area businessmen and fans will go to the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation.

Family and friends are welcome so come on down and enjoy a great day of softball...

SUMMER BAND REMINDER...
Summer Band at the Lowell Middle School began Monday, July 10 and will run through July 28. Students wishing to participate should report as follows: sixth graders, 9 to 10 a.m.; seventh and eighth graders, 10:30 to 11:30. The cost is nine dollars for three weeks, or three dollars per week. Any questions should be directed to Ms. Covey at 897-8864.

Marching Band for seventh and eighth graders and the high school will be August 14 through August 18...

A HUGE THANK YOU...
For their assistance to motorists over the fourth of July holiday, the Michigan State Police have issued a huge "thank you" to the members of the Lowell-Alto Sky High React Team. "With this type of support from the CB'ers, along with the cooperative driving attitude of the public, Michigan was able to report eight less deaths for the holiday as compared to the same period for 1977," revealed Director Gerald L. Hough of the MSP...

TAKING APPLICATIONS...
Lowell Postmaster Charles Doyle announced Monday that applications for clerk/cARRIER are now being taken at the Lowell Post Office. The deadline for applying is this Friday, July 14.

Anyone applying at the Lowell Post office will be eligible for a position if an opening is available, at any of the 16 offices in Area Two, in which Lowell is located...

FAMILY COLOR PORTRAITS...
Lowell Police Department officers can be seen this Saturday, July 15, selling 11x14 family color portrait certificates at various Lowell business establishments. These certificates, being sold for five dollars, are good at Modern Photographics at 104 West Main Street.

Al Eckman, school safety officer, stated that the proceeds will be used to purchase needed equipment, film and cassettes for the community and school safety programs...

"RIKIKI, TIKKI, TAVI"...
A film of summer shorts "Rikki, Tikki, Tavi," will be shown at the Lowell Public Library on Monday morning, July 17, at 10:30 a.m. Currently holding a Summer Program for Children, the library will present New Fangled Fair Tales on Monday, July 31. This program will feature three story theatres—"Creeping Beauty," "Euphonia and the Flood," and "Hubert's Hair-Raising Adventures."

Mrs. Evelyn Eriggs, librarian, encourages all area children to attend...

CATCH AUTO THIEF...
Apprehended by Lowell Police Officers and taken to the Kent County jail on two counts of auto theft from D&D Rebuilders on West Main Street was David Thompson. Both vehicles were recovered June 27 in Timpon's Orchard off Segwun Avenue, south of Lowell.

A second subject, a juvenile, was apprehended Sunday, July 2, in connection with the thefts...

SARANAC CYCLIST INJURED...
Kenneth Shaler of Saranac was injured on the fourth of July when the motorcycle he was riding was hit from behind by a vehicle driven by Bruce Wheelock.

The mishap occurred at the intersection of West Main Street and Riverside Drive, according to the Lowell Police Report...

PICKETERS MARCH...
Employees of the Eberhard Food Store on Lowell's West Main Street went on strike Saturday morning, July 2 at 12:01 a.m. Picketers can still be seen marching in front of the Lowell store as the strike enters its second week. Strike officials are claiming Eberhard's business is being hurt because of the strike, "Because some people are not crossing picket lines."

Over 500 workers and 25 Eberhard Stores are affected by the strike which went into effect when contract negotiations broke down...

BOARD ORGANIZES...
The regular Lowell Area School Board of Education meetings will be held the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the board offices at 12685 Foreman Road, Lowell. The October and March meetings will be held in the Kiva Room at the Alto Area Elementary School, 6150 Bancroft Avenue, Alto.

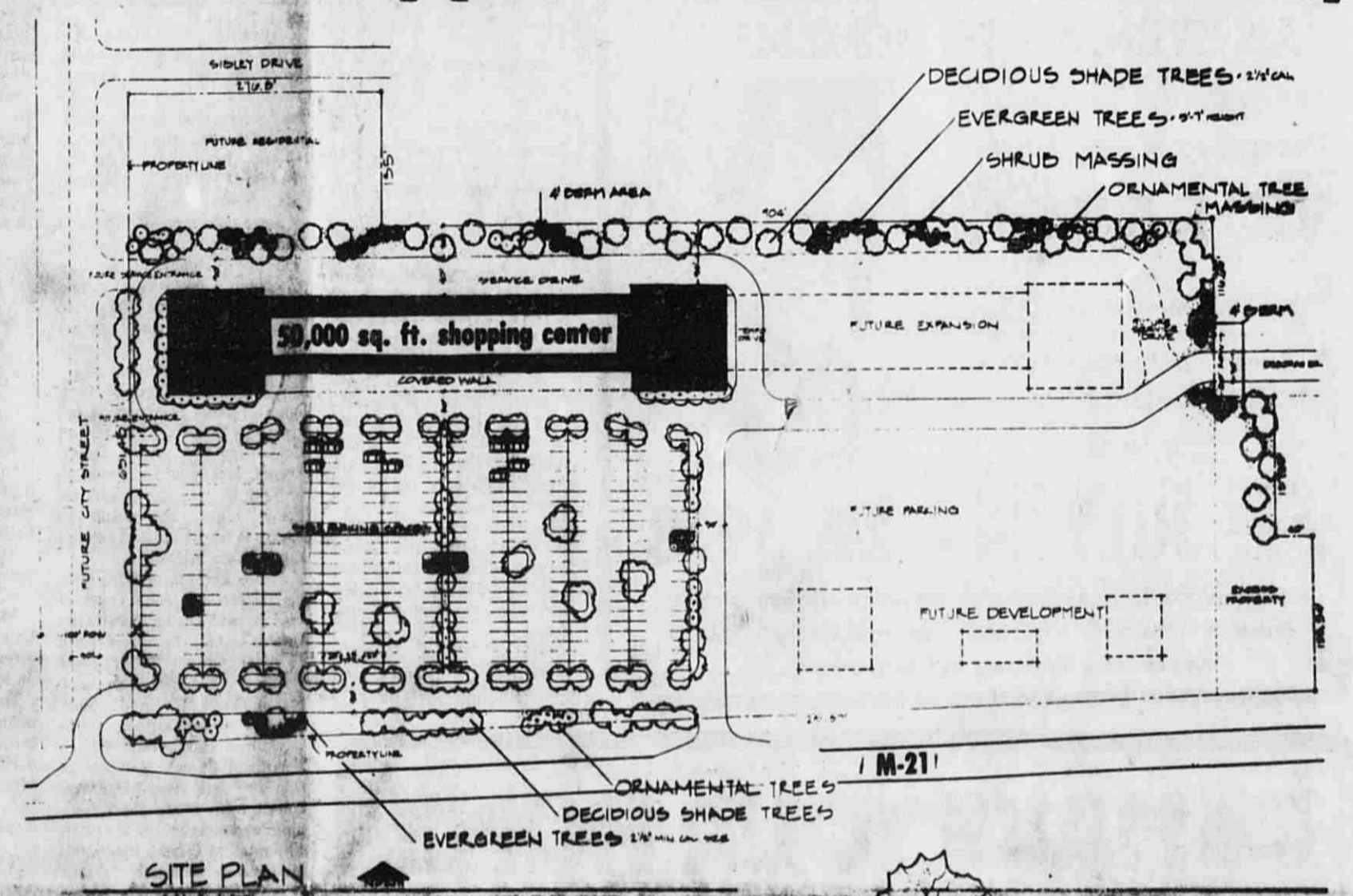
At the School Board Meeting, Monday, July 10, David Miller was re-elected president of the Board, with Roger Kropp moving into the vice-presidency...

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Council Approves Mall Rezoning



A revised site plan and a request for rezoning from John Runge and Associates was given the city's final stamp of approval when brought before the Lowell City Council at their regular meeting July 5. The property located on the north side of M-21, just west of the State Savings Bank's branch office, is now zoned a Planned Urban Development 3 area which will allow for commercial development, but requires city approval at each stage of construction.

The site plan was revised at the request of the Lowell Planning Commission to include, a 4' high and 25' wide berm with plantings on top of the property's north and east boundaries; low profile parking lot lighting; alcoves at the rear of the building to shield from view all trash receptacles, etc.; appropriate screening along M-21; and one entrance is to be constructed to city street specifications at the west end of the property.

Immediate plans for the site include a 50,000 sq. ft. shopping center and a parking lot for nearly 400 cars. The site is large enough to allow for future expansion to the east end of the shopping center and for additional parking or smaller buildings along M-21.

Picked As Delegate



Washington, D.C., is the destination of Gary Warning of Lowell and ten other outstanding 4-H teen members as they attend the Citizenship Short Course at the National 4-H Center July 22 through 29.

Warning, son of Mr. and Mrs. Art Warning, was nominated by local leaders and chosen by the Awards Committee for the trip. He will spend a week at the center, study the federal government, visit many national monuments and shrines, and through meeting with delegates from other states become more aware of the differences and similarities of regional attitudes.

CITED FOR THROWING OBJECTS AT VEHICLE

Deputy Neil Rich cited three Lowell youths after they allegedly threw firecrackers at his patrol vehicle while on Riverside Drive, Friday, June 30.

According to reports, Jeffrey B. Moykynen, 21, Donald Alexander, 18, and Rex A. Wheat, 18, all from Lowell, threw firecrackers at Rich's patrol vehicle and were cited for throwing objects at a motor vehicle.

ROSIE DRIVE INN - 800 W. Main St., Lowell. This Week's Special: Reuben Burgers, 60c. Tuesday Night, Family Night, Chicken Night; Thursday Night, Liver & Onions; Saturday Night, a Delicious Steiner. c35

Fisk Escapes Injury As Plane Crashes

Russell E. Fisk of 6516 Hastings Road, Lowell, escaped serious injury Wednesday night, July 5, when his single-engine four-seat Cessna Skyhawk plane crashed in a field near Saranac, about 7:50 p.m.

Fisk, 36, who did not require hospitalization, suffered cuts and bruises. He told Ionia State Police officers he was having problems with the wind and lost power shortly after takeoff.

An experienced pilot, Fisk has owned the plane for three years. It was destroyed in the crash, which is under investigation by the Federal Aviation Administration and the state police.

Showboat Best Ball Tournament

The annual Lowell Showboat Best Ball 2-man team golf tournament will be staged Saturday, July 29, at the Deer Run Golf Club, southeast of Lowell.

The tournament, open to the public, will offer \$700 in prizes to the top five place teams.

First place over the 18-hole route is worth 1300 plus trophies, while second place finishers receive \$200 and trophies.

Third place nets \$100 while the two remaining spots pay off \$50 each.

Entry fee is \$35 per team which includes a buffet for two. Entry deadline is July 22.

Entries may be mailed to Showboat Best Ball Tournament, care of Deer Run Golf Club, Lowell.

Two Accused Of Taking Army Jeep

Two men accused of taking an Army jeep for a 45-minute ride through Cascade Township last Wednesday have demanded examination in Kent County's 63rd District Court.

Peter M. Griffin, 27, of 2041 Leonard St. NW, and Michael R. Drank, 26, of 890 Blackburn St. SW, have been charged with auto theft. Bond for each was set at \$2,000.

The pair was apprehended last Tuesday outside Flynn's Pub, Cascade Road by a group of citizens. A third suspect remains at large.

Kent County Sheriff's deputies said the jeep, which had a 106-mm recoilless rifle mounted on it, was parked in a lot near the Cascade Pharmacy, awaiting use in a Fourth of July parade.

ONE CAR ACCIDENT; GOING TOO FAST

A one car accident occurred Friday night, June 30, about 11 p.m. at Turkey Trail, northeast of Main Street, Ionia, when Scott P. McCambridge, 17, of Lowell lost control of his vehicle, went off the road and struck a tree, according to the Ionia County Sheriff's report.

McCambridge was cited for violation of the basic speed law—too fast.

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Amateurs To Compete For Showboat Spots

What amateur talent contestants will be performing on the giant Lowell Showboat week-long presentation this summer?

The answer will be forthcoming July 15 in the Lowell Amphitheatre starting at 8 p.m. This is the night for the budding amateurs, as a group of astute judges will have the final say in the annual Amateur Talent finals.

Twenty-seven acts, from all sections of Michigan, were selected from a starting field of 60 in the recent two nights of auditions held at the Lowell High School. Veteran Showboat officials went on record saying this year's crop of amateurs for the auditions was one of the best in the last decade.

The big prize and goal for the 27 amateur finalists is one of the featured roles in the nightly Lowell Showboat program starting July 24 and concluding July 29. This year's star attraction is recording, movie and TV star vocalist Vic Damone, fresh from a well-received supper club tour of the Eastern States.

When the rugged amateur talent competition is completed July 15, the judges will have selected 12 of the acts to be featured for the colorful and classic Lowell Showboat Week.

Immediately after the judging and the contestants selected, two separate acts will be assigned for each night of the Showboat. They will join the Interlocutors.

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utor Gordon Gould, the popular endmen, the huge Showboat Chorus, the 28-piece orchestra and star singer Damone on the colorful decked-out paddle-wheeled Showboat. And the spotlight will focus on the amateur winners as they go through their performance before 3,000 plus spectators.

Five acts from the Lowell area are going to be part of the 27 performing July 15. Heading the area list is Melody and Selina Stahl of Lowell, a baton dance twirl act; pantomimist Dawn Wells of Ada; magician Dave Odette, Ionia; a jazz dance group from Ionia called "The Disco Dreamers" and vocalist Susan Marshall of Muir.

The five area acts will be competing against talent from

Grand Rapids, Allegan, Coruna, Chesaning, Montrose, Livonia, Owosso, Davison, Hastings, Durand and several other communities. All July 15th finalists must register at the Amphitheatre one hour before the contest starts.

Gordon Gould of Lowell will be the master of ceremonies.

Admission for the July 15 finals is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children under 12. Tickets may be purchased at the Amphitheatre.

Tickets for the six-night Showboat have been moving at a brisk clip, but there are good seats available for all nights. Tickets may be purchased at the ticket office, Box 56, Lowell, or reservations may be made by calling 897-9237.

**Effect Of Earnings On
S.S. Benefits Changed**

The way that retired farmers' earnings affect their Social Security benefits has been changed. Dr. Mike Kelsey, Michigan State University Extension agricultural economist, suggests that farmers who have already retired, or who are planning to retire, get acquainted with the new rules.

Under the old law, retired farmers—as well as teachers, construction workers, life insurance salespeople and others—could earn as much as they wanted on a seasonal or monthly basis. Their earnings would affect their benefits only for those months in which they worked. They would receive full

benefits the rest of the year.

Under the new law, if these retired persons earn more than the allowed amount during any period of the year, their benefits are reduced for the total year, regardless of whether they worked every month or not. The allowed amount varies with the age of the retiree. For those under age 65, it is \$3,240. For persons aged 65 to 72, the maximum earnings are \$4,000. For people over 72, there is no income limit.

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OBITUARIES

land, formerly of Lowell, passed away Saturday, July 9, at Baltimore City Hospital...

Contributions in memory of Mr. Callahan may be made to Centers for the Handicapped...

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Callahan and Mrs. Irene (Seese) White...

Funeral services at the Posthumus Funeral Home on Friday, July 7, with the Rev. Keith St. John officiating...

Trip To Funland



Feeding the friendly animals was part of the fun when kids from Lowell visited Deer Park Funland on June 30...

Summer trips, swim classes, baseball and tennis are part of the summer fun programs of the Lowell YMCA.



MEN'S FAST

Table with 2 columns: Team, Round 2. Lists various teams and their scores.

MEN'S SLOW

Table with 2 columns: Team, Round 2. Lists various teams and their scores.

WOMEN'S SLOW

Table with 2 columns: Team, Round 2. Lists various teams and their scores.

GIRLS' 10-12 DIVISION

Table with 2 columns: Team, Round 2. Lists various teams and their scores.

BOYS' JR. SOFTBALL 9-10

Table with 2 columns: Team, Round 2. Lists various teams and their scores.

BOYS' CADET 6, 7, 8

Table with 2 columns: Team, Round 2. Lists various teams and their scores.

ALTO GOLDEN EAGLES

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CLARKSVILLE T-BIRDS

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor: What is a parade without a band? Our first 4th of July parade in Lowell and where was the band?

On the contrary, we would like to thank all the people who contributed to make Lowell's first 4th of July celebration as successful as it was.

Hopefully next year our 4th of July celebration is even better. Ruth Ann Metterick, Shirley Zengari, George Day, Dolores Day, Marian Baker, Liz Hawk, Jim Smith, Red Baker, Bob Hemings, Gary Davenport, Evelyn West, Howard West, Nelson & Co Stornzand, John Minges, Chancy & George Boyce, Wesley Adriane, Gertrude Bieber, Alice L. Pesta, Katherine Conrad, Emily Zengari, Richard O. Conrad, Jean Conrad, Irwin Bristol

Dear Editor: As we finally close our 1977-78 season for the Lowell Women's Club, the members and retiring president Mrs. Rommie Moore, want to record our thanks for the fine job of publicity your paper has offered.

On two different occasions our City Manager Ray Quada has taken time from his busy schedule to speak to our club. Also our high school choir and their director Paul Balsam, and the dramatics class and teacher Ivan Haney, have contributed of their skills and time, and again we do appreciate their willingness to spend time with us.

I think our "Grand Valley Ledger" seems to be expanding each year and is full of the community activities and different kinds of other information we should all know.

Dear Editor: I thank my lucky stars that the big jagged chunk of plastic which was blown out of the top of the battery decided to fly somewhere other than into my face, which was only inches away from the explosion.

After rinsing myself off good, we installed a new battery. This time Dick made sure that I connected the negative terminal last, and he didn't have to explain why. When everything was taken care of, Dick and I laughed the whole thing off. But try as I might, I still can't figure out what the heck we were laughing about.

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Dick Beimers, proprietor of the Union 76 gas station here in town, said that he wanted to read about the little incident that happened to me on my premises in my column this week.

It all started out when the battery in my wife's car was dead when we returned home from vacation. I found the problem, the switch that turns off the light in the trunk malfunctioned and the car sat with its trunk light on for ten days or until the battery ran down.

Well, I've always fancied myself as being pretty handy with a wrench and went right to the task disconnecting the charger and putting the battery terminal leads back on. That was my first mistake.

My second and biggest mistake, was connecting the negative terminal first. Now, I weigh about 225 pounds and when I get on the end of a wrench, I like to see the nut or bolt or whatever, good and tight. Quite often one of two things happens when I'm putting my weight on a wrench to get that last fraction of a turn, either the wrench slips and I bark some knuckles, or I strip the threads on whatever I'm tightening and create more problems than I had in the beginning.

I think this instance, I was in for something new. As I was trying to get that last fraction of a turn out of the nut on the positive terminal connection, the wrench touched part of the car's framework. With the negative terminal already connected this caused the battery to short and the sparks flew. Unfortunately, sparks weren't all that few, battery acid and a good portion of the battery's top also flew when the darn thing blew up like a hand grenade.

McDonough Is Promoted George W. McDonough, son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. McDonough of 1394 Grand River Drive, Lowell, has been promoted to airman first class in the U.S. Air Force.

Memorial Ceremony The widened 44th Street between Patterson Avenue and the cul-de-sac at the Kent County International Airport July 12, will be renamed John J. Oostema Boulevard in memory of Mr. Oostema, chairman of the Kent County Road Commission from May 1, 1969, until his death last March 27, announces Homer Preston, KCRS secretary.

Final Date For Certification All agricultural producers must certify their 1978 acreages of crops by July 14, according to Vernon L. Kretschmer, Chairman of the Michigan State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee.

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New Two-Year Plan Accepted

Construction timetable of the widening to four lanes of the East Beltline from just north of Cascade Road south to Lake Eastbrook Boulevard has been shortened from three years to two years, reports Jon Rice, Grand Rapids District Highway office engineer.

The four-lane divided project, 3.2 miles long, will be built by W. W. Edson Co. of Grand Rapids, low bidder at \$7,439,183, with construction slated to start later this month.

Rice states the change was offered by the company at a recent preconstruction meeting with the local highway engineers and it was accepted by the engineers as being practical.

Originally, the first part of the improvement was to be done this year, the second part in 1979 and the final part in 1980. "We are pleased with the new plan," Rice comments, "and we know the public will be pleased with the shortened construction time."

Under the new plan, grading the southbound lanes between the entrance of Calvin College south to Lake Eastbrook Boulevard and for the uncompleted part between 21st Fulton Street and Cascade Road will be done this year.

Starting next January 15, work will be removed from a swamp east of Reeds Lake and will be replaced with proper fill.

Construction, but through traffic will be detoured, he says. Originally, the East Beltline expansion was to have started two years ago, but the highway department ran into problems with right-of-way, utilities and the Environmental Protection Agency.—Dave Barnes.

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Attending Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp in Twin Lake, Michigan, for the second summer session, July 10 to 23, are Adam M. Rivers, 936 Beech Street, Lowell; Lori K. Greenwald, 3523 Quigley Road, S.E., Ada; and Gert Funeral Home of Lowell with the Rev. Herbert Vander Lugt and Rev. Raymond Gaylord officiating.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, July 1, at the Roth-Grant Funeral Home, 423 West Main Street, Lowell.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, July 4, at the Heeseket Funeral Home, with Rev. Don Johnson officiating.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

July 14: Florence Krystiak, Jim Cook, Jr., Betty North, July 15: Carolyn Briggs, Laura Yost, July 16: Bobby McWhinney, Nancy Sparks, David Barnes, Robert Rogers, Robert Rittenberg, Paula Johnson, July 17: Vicki Abel, Donald Leeann, Ellery Davis, Tracy Ferguson, Jane Adams, Dan Brejnan, July 18: Helen Ford, Alice Wagner, Craig Mulder, Betty Phillips, David Kronbach, James Hull, July 19: Howard Trepto, Bob Eltings, Debra Venstra, Richard McNeal, Joyce Thurston, Kristen Oberg, July 20: Denise Rittenberg.

New Buds On The Family Tree Mr. and Mrs. Thomas (Carol) Harper are the parents of a son born Saturday, June 24, at Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids.

The new arrival has been named Casey Lee. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel (Martha) Cain of Lowell announce the arrival of a son, Jeremy Daniel, on Monday, July 2, 1978. He tipped the scales at seven pounds, nine ounces and was 20 inches long.

His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Louis Blough of Lowell and Mrs. Louis Rhodes of Grand Rapids.

A baby girl, Jamie Lynn, was born Saturday, July 8, 1978, to Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Schumaker of Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina.

The new arrival who joins four sisters — Denise, Christine, Pamela and Paula—at home weighed seven pounds, seven ounces.

The proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Lake Avenue, Lowell, have moved to 2619 Trails End in Kentwood.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hamer of Lowell have been visiting with their former neighbors and friends in the Cascade area.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin (Henrietta) Boerma of 529 Avenir Street, Lowell, will celebrate their 27th wedding anniversary on Friday, July 14.

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Haggai Issues Challenge As Head Of Alto Lions

Saturday, June 24, at the Mid-Villa Restaurant in Middleville the Alto Area Lions held their installation of officers. About 70 Lions and guests were in attendance as outgoing President Dwayne Durkee passed the gavel to Lion Haggai who will lead the club for the next year.

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CITY OF LOWELL COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Official Proceedings of the City Council of the City of Lowell, Michigan. Regular Meeting of Monday, June 19, 1978. The Meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was given and the Roll called.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes General Fund, Major Street Fund, Local Street Fund, Sewer Fund, Water Fund, Equipment Fund, Water Bond Reserve, Storm Sewer Fund, Lee Fund, Federal Revenue Sharing.

Adoption of Ord. #84 Water Rate Increase. Mayor Collins opened the Public Hearing on the proposed Ordinance #84, Water Rate Increase.

Proposed Fire Agreement/Kent Co. Council then discussed the proposed Fire Agreement with Kent County. Manager Quada noted several sections of the proposed agreement which he felt were not equitable to the City.

Water Treatment Pumping Difficulties/ Offer of Cost of Impeller by Simon Inc. Council then discussed the pumping difficulties experienced with the high service pumps at the Water Treatment Plant.

School Releases Final Honor Roll

The final honor roll listing for the 1977-78 school year has been released by Lowell Senior High School. The list contains those students with nine or more grades only, semester final grades only, and all others, both nine week and semester.

12th Grade: Mary Albus, Ray Alexander, Sue Anderson, Glenn Bailey, Tracy Banfill, Joe Barnes, Bonnie Batterbee, Annette Beebe, Jenny Benedict, Judy Bobb, Linda Boersma, Mark Brown.

11th Grade: Tammy Albus, Ray Alexander, Sue Anderson, Glenn Bailey, Tracy Banfill, Joe Barnes, Bonnie Batterbee, Annette Beebe, Jenny Benedict, Judy Bobb, Linda Boersma, Mark Brown.

10th Grade: Terry Abel, Connie Albus, Patricia Alderink, Jim Anderson, Susan Baerlein, Jane Bailey, Dale Bierl, Sheila Blain, Elaine Blasher, Brian Brown, Todd Bryon, Ronda Carey, Chris Coniak.

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SARANAC School Board Elects Bauman President

At the reorganizational meeting July 6 of the Saranac Board of Education, Jack Bauman was elected to serve as the Board's president.

Serving the Board in other offices will be Darrell Simpson, vice-president; Lynn Sichelsteel, secretary; and John Smith, treasurer.

The Board agreed to hold their meetings on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the superintendent's office of the junior-senior high school.

At the meeting, several policies came before the board, for discussion and Principal Nelson Terburgh asked that they not be put into effect at this time.

Should the board decide to adopt the new policies, Terburgh noted, they would have to be incorporated in the school yearbook for students and faculty at the beginning of the school year.

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SARANAC Festive Event Will Honor Clark Family

The Clark family of Saranac is inviting their friends and neighbors to celebrate with them Saturday, July 22, at Deer Run Golf Club from 4 to 7 p.m. This festive event will mark many occasions.

Robert (RAM) and Zeida Clark celebrate their 30th anniversary July 20.

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Win Handily

A fired up Bristol's All-Star team, coached by Jim Piercefield and Tom Smith, handily defeated the Buyer's Guide, 27-6, June 27 at Lowell's Recreation Park.

Runs were scored by Denny DeWitt (3), Dave McLean (3), Dale Courter (3), Duane McIver (2), Paul Schram (3), Tony Myers (2), Gary Sherman (3), Willie Harra (3), Dale Marshall (2) and Denny Sharpe (3).

After a long holiday break, Bristol's next game will be Thursday, July 13, against Lowell Engineering at 6:30 p.m. at Recreation Park.

Jasinski Assigned To Command Ship

Navy Radioman Third Class Stephen J. Jasinski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Jasinski of 770 Hunt St., Lowell, recently participated in exercise "Readex 3-78" off the Southern California coast.

He is assigned to the amphibious command ship USS Blue Ridge, homeported in San Diego, California.

More than 8,000 Navy and Marine Corps personnel participated in the 15-day exercise which included 23 ships and approximately 100 aircraft, plus units from Canada and New Zealand.

A 1974 graduate of Lowell High School, Jasinski joined the Navy in July of 1974.

FARM EXPENDITURES REPORT RELEASED

Only 7.9 percent of U. S. farms had gross sales of \$100,000 or more last year. But they accounted for 52 percent of all farm expenditures, according to a recent USDA report.

USDA's farm production expenditures for 1977 report shows that of the nation's estimated 2.7 million farms, 27 percent had gross sales of less \$1,000 last year and accounted for only 3.1 percent of farm expenditures. And, another 21.8 percent of U.S. farms had gross sales of between \$1,000 and \$4,999 and accounted for only 3.5 percent of all farm expenditures.

The report also shows that the average farm with gross sales of \$100,000 and over had farm production expenditures of \$245,207. It also shows that the average farm with sales of under \$1,000 had farm production expenses of \$4,228.

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Alto Lions On The Go . . .



A recent tour of the Leader Dog School in Rochester was taken by this enthusiastic group of Alto Lions Club members and guests.

The Alto Area Lions started their summer activities with a chartered bus trip on June 25th.

At 6:30 in the morning a large bus and several cars pulled into the Alto School parking lot and 38 Lions and ladies boarded the bus to begin their day-long journey.

First stop was the Leader Dog School in Rochester, which trains "seeing-eye" dogs for the blind. Also, here the blind person and the leader dog he or she is to receive go through a "getting acquainted" and training period of about four weeks.

Because of a virus contracted by some of the dogs the group was unable to tour the kennels and see the dogs, but they were able to tour the dormitory and view a movie about the school.

The school is a non-profit organization run solely on donations from Lions Clubs and other organizations and private donations.

Blind people from all over the world have come to the Leader Dog School to receive a leader dog.

The tour gave the visitors a better insight into the good of

the school and the worthy cause their donations are helping to support.

Once again aboard the bus they left Rochester. The next stop was Detroit and Tiger Stadium. While everyone at home was watching it rain, the travelers were enjoying the ball game and some sunshine. Sad to say, the only cloud on this day was the fact that the Tigers were beaten by the Yankees.

After the ballgame, the group headed home, arriving back in Alto at 7 in the evening, a tired lot who had had a fun-filled day.

Today's 4-H Projects Far-Cry From Cows And Cooking . . .

The times, they are a-changing and 4-H is changing with it. Though traditional livestock and homemaking projects are still popular, 4-H offers a lot more to today's youth: mountain climbing, clowning, television production and solar-oven cooking, to name just a few.

According to Norman A. Brown, assistant Cooperative Extension Service director for Michigan 4-H Youth Programs,

the new look of 4-H reflects the changing interests and values of today's youth. "4-H has been successfully working with young people for close to 50 years. It's only natural that, as young peoples' interests and horizons expand, the 4-H program continues to grow to meet their needs and interests."

The scope and popularity of 4-H has mushroomed over the past 10 years. Currently, the

program involves a quarter of a million youth statewide and offers its members more than 150 different projects or activities.

The 4-H learning-by-doing approach is greatly responsible for the program's success. "4-H is really an extension of the classroom," Brown says. "The only difference is that the kids are having fun, meeting new people and learning new skills that schools don't always offer. It's an informal educational experience," he adds.

4-H projects range from photography to pigeons, gardening to government, bicycles to baby-sitting and macrame to music. "There's no problem for today's youth to find something of interest in 4-H. We've got something for just about everyone," says Brown.

In Detroit, youth are learning how to find and keep jobs through a special employable skills 4-H program. The young people participate in a series of workshops designed to develop their job skills, and later they are placed in area businesses.

In Midland County 4-H'ers are helping restore the county pheasant population by raising young birds and releasing them into the wild once they're full grown. Another group in Saginaw County is learning about African crafts, customs and foods through an African cultural heritage program.

Livestock and family living projects are still popular 4-H activities, especially in rural counties. Horses and ponies rank number one.

Many animal and homemaking projects have been adapted to be more relevant to urban and suburban youth. "It's not unusual to find urban 4-H'ers raising rabbits, pigeons or vegetable gardens in their own backyards," Brown says. "In fact, small animal and gardening programs have become some of the most popular projects in urban areas."

Because of the wide range of 4-H activities, program success depends heavily on the volunteer adult and youth leaders. Volunteers come from all backgrounds, educational levels and experiences. "Without their assistance, the 4-H program would not be possible," Brown says. "They're the backbone of the program."

4-H can be a worthwhile, educational experience for adults as well as for youngsters, he says. Entire families involved in the program is not unusual. The programs offer parents and adults a chance to meet new friends, travel, attend workshops and conferences and be recognized for their contributions. Various educational materials and training sessions are available to leaders to help them get a handle on their leadership roles.

Despite its graduate expansion to meet the needs of today's youth, the 4-H motto remains the same: "To Make The Best Better." The times may be a-changing . . . but the 4-H program is still helping

today's youth prepare for the future. Any youngster or adult wanting to know more about the 4-H program should call 800-292-1930, toll free, for information.



A popular melody tells us that "Stars Fell On Alabama," and perhaps they did but, it is an actual fact that over the past forty-five years a galaxy of stars have appeared on the Showboat stage, a spectacular display of natural phenomenon.

Imagine if you will a T.V. extravaganza featuring such stars as Eddie Peabody, Herb Shriner, Steve Allen, Jane Meadows, Ray Stevens, Jerry Reed, Bobby Goldsboro, George Gobel, Garry Puckett, Milton Berle, Harmonicats, Christy Minstrels, Dukes of Dixieland, Louis Armstrong, Dinah Shore, and Pearl Bailey.

To stage a show of this magnitude would cost a fortune to produce. They have all starred on the Showboat stage. Not a bad lineup.

Still another star is about to appear on the Showboat horizon. The Showboat Board is to be congratulated on securing Vic Damone, a star with great singing ability, a popular recording, T.V. and movie entertainer. Welcome Vic Damone, to the Lowell Showboat galaxy of stars.

How is the Showboat going to be decorated this year? I've given you a tip. Just wait and see for yourself.

The Showboat Board constantly is bombarded with the question "Why don't you get this one or that one to headline the show?" The truth is many performers have priced themselves right out of the Showboat bracket.

At a recent appearance of the

"Rolling Stones" in Detroit tickets were going as high as ninety to two hundred fifty dollars each. Just think, a heavy-weight fighter demands from 3 to 6 million dollars for less than 45 minutes work. The kids on T.V. talk about million dollar contracts.

Fame is fleeting and perhaps the day may come when some of these people will be happy to appear on the Lowell Showboat, at a price we can afford.

There was some concern that due to his accident Dick Sisson might not be at his familiar ticket taking post, but we are happy to hear that Dick will be on hand again this year.

I had the pleasure of working the presentations for the bus tours this year, and I personally want to thank Jerry and Barb Smith, Orval Jackson, Bev Hall, Nancy and Bill Wood and any

others who worked to make these trips a success.

The Grand Valley Ledger last week went to great length about Vic Damone being a connoisseur of men's clothes. We hope this is true, because the Endmen have gone all out this year. Just wait till you see them.

I hope Vic Damone will find time to give Vredenburg, Holst, Caldwell and Elzinga a few tips on the game of golf.

Don't forget the Talent Search Contest under the promotion of the Lowell Lion's Club this Saturday night, July 15.

Each year at the end of the show the Board starts planning for the future. The future is now. Get your order in for tickets, and keep listening for the Whistle Toots.—Bucky.

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