



Wrestling Club Attends Opener

Members of the Lowell Wrestling Club opened this season's free-style wrestling competition Saturday, Mar. 17. Thirty-seven members wrestled in the Michigan United States Wrestling Federation Kids Division for those 14 and under at East Grand Rapids. Those in the USWF Junior and Open Division traveled to Cadillac.

Pancake Supper First United Methodist Church 621 E. Main St., Lowell Thurs., March 22 Includes: Pancakes, Syrup, Link Sausage, Applesauce, Sherbet, Coffee, Tea, Milk Adults \$2.50 Children (5-12) \$1.00 Sponsored by Cub Scout Pack No. 3188

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Area Sports... Redskins Make The Class D Final Eight

The Saranac Redskins are back on the track! After a sluggish start in the districts Saranac overpowered Allendale in last Tuesday's Regional opener at Lakewood 71-49. Saranac's team came out on the floor in the first half and hit Allendale with everything they had including a slam dunk by Kevin Reynolds that brought the Redskins fans to their feet.

When it was all over Theisen had accumulated 41 points hitting 16 field goals and going 9-14 from the charity strip. Ben Tower had 14, Gary Rainer 8, Haskins and Reynolds each with 7 and Craig Coulson had 2. Maggie was high scorer for Danville with 20. The Reds hauled down 52 rebounds, Reynolds with 14 and Tower 10. Rainer had six assists and Tower got five. Saranac was 32-73 from the field for 44 percent but only 15-29 from free throw line. In contrast Danville hit 23-33 from the line to keep them in the game.



Kevin Theisen goes up for two of his 41 points in a one-on-one layup situation.

SKY SHOW FOR YOUNG CHILDREN "The Sky Tonight," the Chaffee Planetarium's popular sky show for young children, returns to the sky theater every Saturday afternoon at 1:30 during March. Under the realistic projected sky, the narrator points out some of the bright stars and constellations, and explains why we experience day and night. The presentation is particularly appropriate for children ages 3 through 8, though all ages will be admitted.

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Obituaries

DYBERT - Pearl M. Dybert, 99, of 0441 Morris Lake Rd., Alto, passed away Wednesday, March 21, 1979. She is survived by a son, Alger of Grand Rapids; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Funeral services were Saturday, March 24, 10 a.m., at the First Baptist Church of Alto, Rev. George Cook officiating.

WILLIAMS - Mrs. Hazel I. Williams, 72, of 260 Ridgewood Court, Ionia, died Wednesday evening in East Lansing. Survivors beside her husband are: five sons, Richard of Detroit; Dan of Lansing; Keith of Traverse City; Colin of Saranac and Robin of Charlevoix; two stepdaughters, Kathleen Williams of Midland; Mrs. Honor Williams of Palmyra; several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

BOYNTON - Mrs. Janet F. Boynton, aged 68, formerly of Big Crooked Lake Rd., passed away Friday morning at Butterworth Hospital. Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Clyde (Marva) Sanborn and Mrs. George (Betty) Evers both of Grand Rapids; four nephews, Jack Sanborn of Lowell, Robert, Timm and Greg Sanborn all of Grand Rapids.

HELOISE E. MARSH, their children, Stephen G. and Vicki Marsh of Indianapolis, S. Kent Marsh of Alto, Geoffrey Wayne Marsh of Indianapolis, Mrs. Rick (Patricia) Roschback also of Indianapolis and Mrs. Michael (Georgia) Smith of Middleville; 10 grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Clea Holder of Kalamazoo and Mrs. Lola Stewart of Calif.

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## Coming Events...

**WED., MAR. 21: LADIES NIGHT OUT.** at 7:30 p.m., Lowell Middle School Cafeterium. Spring Fashion Show, Dance/FIT, Disco-exercise, Refreshments, music. Tickets \$1 at YMCA or \$1.50 at the door.

**WED., MAR. 21: Alto Garden Club** will meet at the Alto Methodist Church at 12 noon and then proceed to Canningham Acres for a potluck dinner.

**WED., MAR. 21: Past Matrons of Cyclamen Chapter #94 OES** will meet at the home of Fran DeGraw at 7:30 p.m.

**THURS., MAR. 22: Hooker Chapter #73 RAM** will host a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the Lowell Masonic Temple. This will be followed by the regular March convocation at 7:30.

**THURS., MAR. 22: Bushnell**

PTO will meet in the Kiva. All parents interested in helping with the carnival are invited. Room mothers are also asked to attend this meeting.

**THURS., MAR. 22: Annual Pancake Supper**, sponsored by Cub Scout Pack 3188 at First United Methodist Church. Tickets available from Cub Scouts, their dads, church office or at door.

**SAT., MAR. 24: Venus Chapter #107 O.E.S. Roast Beef Dinner.** Serving 5-7 p.m. Grat-tan Masonic Temple.

**SUN., MAR. 25: The film "Corrie Ten Boom: The Lives She's Touched"** will be shown at Lowell Wesleyan Church at 6 p.m. Public invited.

**TUES., MAR. 27: Bushnell PTO** will sponsor the Bushnell Variety Show. Following the show, there will be a Dessert Potluck. Starting at 7 p.m. in the Lowell Middle School Cafeterium. No admission charged.

**THURS., MAR. 29: An Easter Parade Fashion Show** sponsored by the Saranac Pre-School Nursery will be held on Thursday, March 29 at 7:30 p.m. at the Saranac High School Cafeterium. Tickets are adults, \$2.00. Students and Sr. Citizens \$1.00. Door prizes will also be given away.

**SAT., MAR. 31: Big Band Sound**, on tape, Lowell Moose Lodge #809. Glen Miller, Harry James, Artie Shaw, etc. 8 p.m.—? Members and guests invited.



**cozy corner**  
By Roger Brown

What did you think of that glorious weather we had last Sunday? Seventy or more balmy, sunny degrees in the middle of March and on a weekend yet. There's almost nothing that can compare to the exhilaration a Michigan feels after trudging through a long, cold winter and is then suddenly blessed with a day like last Sunday. You Florida goers who've had this kind of weather all winter, don't know what you're missing.

People were outdoors everywhere doing their "spring-thing", walking dogs, riding bicycles, flying kites, washing cars, barbecuing, etc. My wife donned her swim suit and sunbathed for two or three hours. She was on cloud nine when she started turning pink with sunburn that evening.

The kids rode their bikes and trikes, ate lunch outdoors, got absolutely filthy and loved every minute of it.

Now, it's almost impossible to spell a near-perfect day such as last Sunday, but I came awfully close. I got out my golf clubs. Bob Hope once said, "If you watch a game, it's fun. If you play a game it's recreation. If you work at it, it's golf". That is so true of me that I should have said it instead of him. At least he can play the game without embarrassing himself.

I was hitting some shag balls around the yard with my pitching wedge last Sunday. Everytime I hit one (which wasn't every time I swung) instead of looking to see where the ball went, I'd look to see if anyone was watching me humiliate myself.

After fifteen or twenty minutes of hitting my divots further than the ball or scooting the ball along the ground with a pitching wedge, I decided that enough is enough. I gave the club to my three-year-old son almost hoping he'd find a way to lose it or destroy it.

As much as I say that I hate the game, no matter how badly it frustrates me, as hard as it is for me to find time to play, no matter how terrible I am at it, I just know that when those courses open, I'll be out there knocking that stupid little white ball around. Instead of writing this column, I could sure save myself a lot of grief over the next few months by writing a classified ad offering my golf clubs for sale. See you on the links.

## Rotary Notes...

The Lowell Rotary Club held its annual Farmers Day Dinner on March 14 at the First United Methodist Church of Lowell. This event, started in 1936, was made possible again this year through the support of the King Milling Company and the State Savings Bank.

Program chairman William McPherson welcomed the ninety guests and introduced Bob Knisely of the Kent County Dairy Association who presented the speaker, Dr. James Anderson, Dean of Agriculture and Natural Resources at Michigan State University.

Dr. Anderson reminded the audience of the great success story of American agriculture through the partnership of farmers and research scientists initiated over a century ago when Abraham Lincoln signed the Land Grant College Act.

He pointed out that now, with only about 4% of the labor force directly engaged in food production, we not only feed our large population but also export over \$25 billion worth of agricultural products a year.

Dr. Anderson believes that the farm community needs to join with other groups with common interests and objectives so that this vital industry can be more strongly represented at Federal and State levels.



**ON THE MOVE**  
Stanlee Johnson, owner of Riverside Fireplace on Main Street, has announced his purchase of the building now housing Gee's Hardware and the dry goods portion of Cary's at 223 and 219 W. Main. The Riverside Fireplaces Shop will be moved to 219 W. Main and re-open at that address in June. The hardware business and its inventory hasn't yet been sold.

**INJURED IN ACCIDENTS**  
A 16-year-old juvenile was slightly injured in an accident Monday evening, Mar. 12 when the car she was driving was struck by John Marker at Valley Vista and M-21. Bernard Terpenning of Lowell was uninjured when he was hit as he attempted to exit the city parking lot onto Main St. and was struck by Debra Norris of Ionia last Saturday evening.

Richard L. Seese of Grand Rapids was ticketed for failure to yield when he turned in front of a motorcycle driven by Duane Hansen of Lowell and into the Lowell Lanes on M-21 on Sunday afternoon. Hansen could not avoid the vehicle and hit the rear passenger side. He sustained injuries to the leg, arm and knee and was taken to Butterworth Hospital by Bud's Ambulance.

**UNDER ARREST**  
Arrested by Lowell police officers on Wednesday, March 18, on a warrant issued by district court was Robert Hill of Lowell. Cited Friday evening for reckless driving and open container in an automobile was Marcus Kline of Lowell.

Under investigation is the breaking and entering of Pete's Bar on Wednesday, March 7. The lunch room machines in Newell Manufacturing Machines were broken into over the weekend of March 11-12 and investigation is continuing.

**FIRE ASSISTS**  
The Lowell Fire Department responded to a car fire in the Riverview parking lot last Saturday at 5 a.m. There was minor damage to the front seat of the vehicle. On March 9, the firemen were called to a barn fire at 10:15 a.m. at the George Francisco residence on 5 Mile Rd., Grattan. Five fire departments responded and damage was estimated at \$100,000 with six head of cattle lost. On March 14, Lowell's tanker was called to assist at a fire at the Lyman Feldman residence on Wingeier in Alto. Damage estimate was \$10,000.

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