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Della Reese Headlines '79 Showboat

When versatile and talented vocalist Della Reese makes her initial appearance at the new and colorful Lowell Showboat July 23, she will not be a stranger to the Michigan scene. Della Reese, known the country over for her standout singing and recording hits in the jazz, blues and gospel field, was born in Detroit and majored in psychology at nearby Wayne State University. She has also performed in Saugatuck and several other West Michigan centers during the past 10 years.

When the first sounds of "Here Comes the Showboat" are heard on Flat River opening night, the new Robert E. Lee will officially be unveiled for the general public. The target date for completion of the new post-tension-based boat is July 1. The old Robert E. Lee was the victim of last August's heavy storm which hit the Lowell area. Della Reese was born Della-reese Talaferro and her introduction to the singing profession came at the early age of six at church functions. Throughout



BOOSTER BASH AND BREAKFAST
Lowell Athletic Boosters will hold their Boosters Bash and Breakfast this Friday, April 20, at Deer Run Golf Club. "Crosswinds" will provide music for dancing from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., then breakfast will be served. Tickets to the fund-raiser are \$15 per couple. Pick them up from any Booster, from the High School office, from the Village Inn or from Larkins Saloon. Call 897-5221 for more information.

BLACK MONDAY
Income tax returns were due last Monday, April 16, one day later than usual because the normal April 15 deadline fell on Sunday. If you ruined your Easter weekend filling out the forms, you were not alone. The IRS estimates that 15 million Americans put off finishing the forms until the last minute. Once everyone mails their returns (they do, don't they?) the IRS will have some 90 million tax forms in hand.

If you need to change something on your federal income tax return after you've filed, you can make the correction on Form 1040X. The IRS says that generally the Form 1040X may be used to amend your tax return any time during the three years following the due date of the original return and is available from IRS offices.

KEEP MICHIGAN BEAUTIFUL
April 21 through May 19 has been designated Michigan Clean-up Month by Gov. William Milliken. Spring cleaning has been extended to include more than your closets. The grounds surrounding your home, your city, and countryside need a little loving care after a harsh and destructive winter. It might be nice if someone out there would help the elderly and the infirm to clean up their yards and give assistance to those who cannot do the work for themselves.

VIVA VOLUNTEERS
The coming week would be a great time to thank a volunteer. It has been proclaimed national Volunteer Week to recognize the volunteers who make important contributions to the quality of life in our community. Lowell is filled with good-hearted people who give of their time, talents and money to help literally thousands of people and projects. If all were listed, it would likely be a reproduction of the Lowell phone book. Give yourself a pat on the back and pass it on.

ARRESTED
Arrested for felonious assault Friday evening and lodged in the Kent County Jail was Tilden Pinkney of Lowell. At his arraignment Monday, he demanded examination and was released on \$1,000 bond.

Arrested early Friday morning for assisting and obstructing a police officer by Lowell police and Kent County Sheriff's deputies on M-91 was Graig Schneider of Ionia. Schneider was released on \$1,000 bond after arraignment later Friday.

Also arrested and lodged on Friday evening was Harvey Johnson of Lowell for possessing an unregistered firearm, a pistol, and carrying a concealed weapon.

APPREHENDED
Apprehended at Lipperts on Wednesday afternoon, April 11, was a 14-year-old juvenile shoplifter.

Store employees at Eberhards apprehended James Kryszewski of Lowell for shoplifting. He was issued a citation to appear in court at a later date to answer the charge of larceny under \$100.

RESCUED
Lowell Rescue responded to a report of a subject who had his arm pinned in a bowling machine at Lowell Lanes Saturday morning. The subject was taken to a local doctor for treatment.

The Rescue unit was also called to assist at an accident on 60th and Bancroft on Friday evening. Lowell Morgan, Lafayette St., Lowell, was traveling westbound when he lost control on 60th Street, hit a guardrail and left the roadway, his vehicle landing on its top in a creek. Morgan was unable to get out by himself and officers waded in waist-high water to remove him from the vehicle. Bud's Ambulance transported Morgan to Blodgett Hospital where he was admitted with scalp and facial lacerations. He is under observation for pneumonia after taking an amount of water into his lungs.

Lowell Rescue responded to two other medical runs this week.

the next seven years Della was involved in spiritual singing. Her ability moved to the front and at 13 she was hired by the late Mahalia Jackson to sing with the well-known group.

As Della recalls, "This opportunity to sing with the world's foremost gospel singer was a thrilling experience. I will never forget the wonderful association with Mahalia."

While attending Wayne State University, Della formed her own gospel group, "The Meditation Singers." When illness hit her family, Della quit Wayne State to help support her mother and father. She took a job as a hostess and singer at Detroit's "Flame Showbar."

It was at this stage that Della's career switched to a new form of entertaining. Della soon became exposed to the talents and styles of such music greats as Ella Fitzgerald, Dinah Washington, Sara Vaughn, Billy Holiday and many others. Della then developed an individual style that was her springboard to national fame.

Della Reese's first major break came when she moved to New York in 1953 as a vocalist with the Erskine Hawkins orchestra. Later she signed a recording contract with Jubilee Records and her first big record was "In The Still of The Night" followed by "I've Got My Love to Keep Me Warm" and "Time After Time."

In 1957 Della had her first major hit with "And That Reminds Me." That same year she was voted the most promising singer by Billboard and Variety magazines. Two years later Della signed a contract with RCA and enjoyed her biggest hit, a tune from Puccini's "LaBoheme" entitled "Don't You Know."

While Della Reese has been featured on many national TV

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shows, she's probably remembered for the role of Della Rogers, Ed Brown's landlady on the NBC series "Chico and The Man." Assisting Della for the six nights of Showboat is her musical director, Marvin Jenkins, and a 15-piece area orchestra.

Showboat officials have signed two supporting acts for the six-night agenda. Garry & Tomio, a comedian ventriloquist act and The Debutantes, a girls' dancing group, will form the extra entertaining along with the Lowell Showboat chorus, the colorful endmen and amateur talent winners.

Early ticket reservations are being taken by mail: Lowell Showboat, P.O. 56, Lowell, MI 49331. Ticket prices for Tuesday through Thursday are \$3, \$4, \$5.50 and \$7. Friday and Saturday tickets are \$4, \$5, \$7 and \$8. For Monday, July 23, special family prices are \$2 and \$5. The \$5 seats are in the center section.

Attwood Names New Director

The Attwood Corporation has appointed James Wittig to its newly-created position of Director of Human Resources, according to President Donald Rocheleau.

Filling the needs stimulated by the marine accessory giant's expansion, the new Director will supervise employment, wage and salary administration, placement, benefits, orientation and training, union and employee relations and employee services.

TAXI SERVICE — D & K Shutting, Ph. 897-8638, Hrs. 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday-Saturday. c15t

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Lowell City Council

Bridge Draws Council Action

If City Councilman David Carter had his way, Lowell's old iron bridge over the Grand River would be closed to all traffic. At the regular meeting of the Lowell City Council on Monday, April 16, Carter moved to completely close the bridge, but the motion died for lack of support. A second motion restricting traffic on the bridge to passenger vehicles only, (5,000 pounds) and calling for a structural study by an engineering firm was passed by the council with only Carter voting no.

The discussion and eventual vote concerning the bridge, stems from a federal requirement calling for a safety inventory of all the bridges in the U.S. In this area, the county has taken the responsibility for conducting this inventory. On Monday, the day of the meeting, a county crew was in Lowell to inspect its bridges and some questions were raised concerning the safety of the upper bridge.

City Manager Ray Quada passed these concerns along to the council, along with some pictures that he had taken of deteriorated portions of the bridge. Some discussion resulted, followed by the council's swift action to restrict vehicle weight on the bridge to 5,000 pounds.

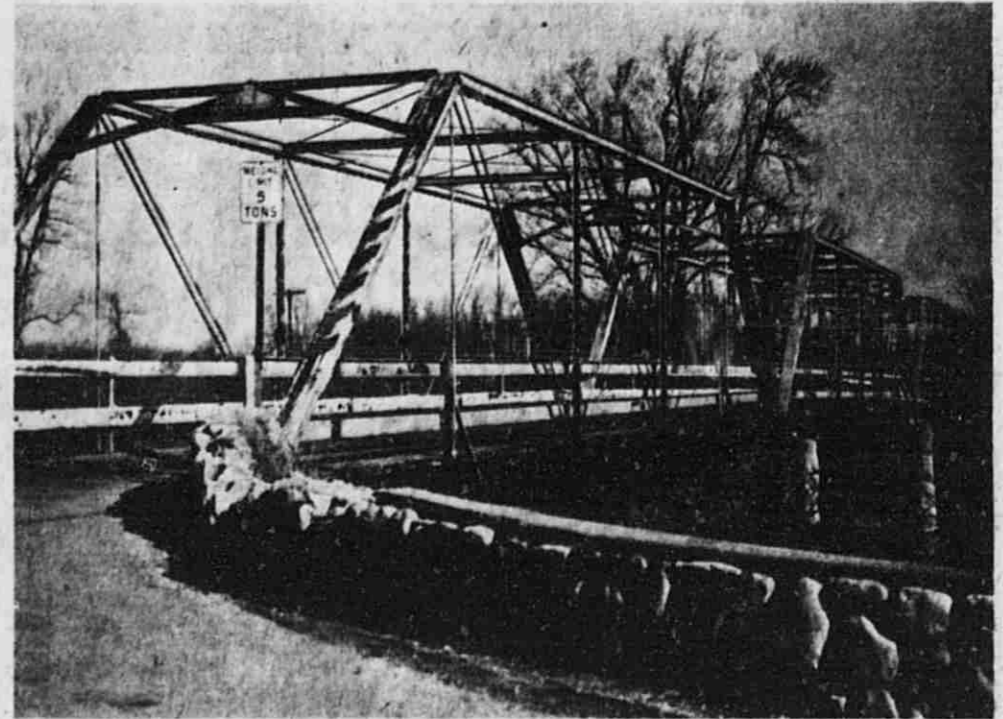
An engineering study will be conducted soon to determine whether or not the bridge should be open at all and what action should be taken to remedy its problems.

In other council business, the council approved a request from the city manager to establish dumping fees at the Lowell landfill. The new fees will be as follows: \$1.00 for a passenger car or station wagon, \$3.00 for a pick-up (one ton), \$5.00 for a truck over one ton. The landfill located on Ware Road will open this Saturday, April 21. Users of the landfill will have to establish their residency in the City of Lowell by presenting a driver's license or other identification.

The council voted to vacate the west end of Spring Street and the remainder of Smith Street south of Howard to St. Mary's Catholic Church of Lowell. The purpose of the request is to free up land for the construction of a new church on the property owned by St. Mary's there. The council did make the vacation contingent on the construction of a new church on the site as proposed.

The council also voted to vacate a very small, triangular piece of property at the end of Grindle Drive over to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vezino who reside adjacent to it at 417 Jackson St. Though less than 1,000 sq. ft., the parcel does interfere with the Vezino's driveway, hence their request for vacation. The vacation was allowed with the stipulation that the additional square footage be figured into the Vezino's property valuation.

A request from D&K Shutting and Taxi to raise their taxi rates was approved by the council. The 1979-80 budget for the city was presented to the council by the city manager. A brief statement by the city manager following the presentation indicated that the city was in a fiscally sound position. The council will hold a work-study session on the budget on Monday, April 30 and a public hearing will be held on Monday, May 7.



The upper bridge over the Grand River here in Lowell has drawn the attention of the city council. It is feared that the bridge may be structurally unsafe to the point that stricter weight limits have been posted. An engineering body that has been ordered will determine the future of the aging bridge.

JC's Fight MD With Walkathon

Lowell Area Jaycees are gearing up for their Fifth Annual Walkathon on Saturday, May 5. This year money raised will go to the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) to fight muscular dystrophy.

The disease group known as muscular dystrophy encompasses a number of disorders which progressively weaken or destroy voluntary muscle. Onset of the disease occurs most often in childhood.

The 20-mile walk is being called Footsteps Against Muscular Dystrophy, and will begin and end at the 4-H Fairgrounds on Broadway St. two blocks south of Main. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and the walk will start between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m. It will end with dark.

Anyone in the community can make the walk simply by picking up a sponsor sheet. They are available at the following businesses: Lippert's, Eberhard's, State Savings Bank, That SPECIAL Place, and Kroger stores. All information for walkers is included on the sheet. Grandville is also sponsoring a Walkathon that day, so care



Jerry Lewis and the Lowell Jaycees need you. You'll have your chance to help Jerry's kids in the fight against Muscular Dystrophy by joining the Jaycees fifth annual walkathon on Saturday, May 5.

should be taken to get the Jaycees' MD sheet.

Residents who are approached to "sponsor" a walker in the events are cautioned to give only their signature on their pledge. Jaycees will bill each sponsor after the walk and no money need change hands with the walker.

Those with CB radios are asked to clear Channel 2 on the day of the walk so that communications between checkpoints can take place over that air-wave.

PROGRESS UPDATE

The new Lowell Showboat is progressing nicely as is evidenced in the above photo. The decking is being applied to the top of the first level and construction of the second level will begin soon. All of the walls of the superstructure tip in at three degrees which is necessary to the appearance of the completed boat. Calculating and cutting all of those angles makes the framing of the new boat go much slower than if it were a new home and all of the walls were square and plumb.

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Coming Events...

THURSDAY, APR. 19: Cyclamen Chapter #94 OES invites all to their Sarah Coventry jewelry party at 7:30 p.m. in the Lowell Masonic Temple. Proceeds will go to the Relief Fund of the Grand Chapter of Michigan.

THURSDAY, APR. 19: Lowell Area Arts Council will meet in the Bushnell Elementary Kiva at 7:30 p.m. for their regular meeting. Mike Doyle will present a slide show on the Mills of Europe. Public is always welcome. Business meeting to follow the program.

THURSDAY, APR. 19: The Runciman/Riverside PTO will sponsor a Parents VS. Teachers Volleyball game at 8 p.m. Admission 75¢ adults, 25¢ children. M.S. Read-a-thon children free.

FRI., APR. 20: Universal Notre Dame Night, a gathering of alumni and friends of the U of ND will be held at 6:30 p.m. at Holly's Landing in Grand Rapids. For reservations, 942-8997 or 948-1023.

FRI., APR. 20: Lowell Athletic Boosters are sponsoring the "Boosters Bash and Breakfast"

APRIL 24, 25, 26: St. Anthony's Church on David Hwy. in Saranac will hold a Rummage Sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. Clothes, knicknacks, books, etc.

WED., APR. 25: Garden Lock Club will meet at the home of Evelyn Tichelaar at 1 p.m. Hostesses Evelyn Tichelaar and Mabel Ball. Program, "Steps For Early Gardeners."

WED., APR. 25: Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital will present its second annual Nutrition Conference. Information will include Pediatric and Dental Nutrition and hints for the smart shopper. The public is invited to attend at no charge. Please call 247-7075 by April 23 to register.

THURSDAY, APR. 26: Hooker Chapter #73 RAM will hold their April regular convocation at 7:30 p.m. and plan to confer the Mark Master Mason degree. This will be preceded by the customary potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, APR. 26: Bushnell PTO will meet at 7 p.m. in the Bushnell Kiva. Election of next year's officers will be held and final plans made for the Spring Carnival on May 5.

APR. 19 to MAY 5: Grand Rapids Civic Theatre presents "The Miracle Worker" by William Gibson. Box office (459-7146) opens at Noon on Mon., Apr. 16 and is open daily from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., except Sunday.

MAY 2, & 9, 16 & 23: CPR classes to be held at the Lowell High School. From 7:10 a.m. each night. Limited enrollment of 25 per class. Sponsored by Jaycees and Bud's Ambulance. Free. Call 897-9981 to register.

SAT., MAY 5: Get ready! Lowell Area Jaycees' 5th Annual Walk-a-thon. Proceeds go to Muscular Dystrophy.

SAT., MAY 12: Historic Homes Tour of Lowell, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets are \$3. Advance tickets, \$2.50. Tour begins at the Showboat Ticket Office, Main St., Lowell. Contact person: 897-5460. Sponsored by Runciman/Riverside PTO.

THURSDAY, APR. 26: Rubber Stamps and Engraved Signs made to order, 897-9261

At lodges, churches, bowling alleys, pubs, etc. are the social gathering points for the area's adults. Neighborhood sandboxes are the social centers of the younger crowd. I've got a hunch that much of a child's personality is formed while playing with, arguing with, or out and out fighting with the neighbor kids in a sandbox.

I just built a sandbox for my kids last Saturday, which is why I'm running off about sandboxes this week. Only being about three days old, there aren't too many tales to tell about this sandbox but it does bring to mind a sandbox story from my youth.

I was very young when this happened and don't remember it all that well, but it has been repeated so many times by my parents over the years, that it has become part of our family history. I guess a neighbor boy and I were playing in my sandbox located under the kitchen window. My mother was doing dishes and overheard our conversation.

Apparently, the neighbor boy was trying to impress me with his vocabulary of curse words and was swearing up a storm. When she had heard enough, my mother hollered out the window, "Billy, we don't talk like that around here." To which Billy replied, "That's all right Mrs. Brown, we don't over at my house either."

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I'm to the point where I honestly believe that a person spends more time and money maintaining toy-type items, than using them. I spent an entire weekend fixing up an old trail bike recently. And I'm willing to bet that I won't spend as much time on it, as I do working on it this summer.

I've got an old fishing boat, motor and trailer. The boat seats need to be scraped and painted, the trailer needs some repair and modification and I need to chase into Grand Rapids after licenses for both the trailer and boat.

I have a riding lawn mower that needs a complete engine overhaul before I can use it this summer and our redwood lawn furniture all needs to be stained again this year.

My father held a raffle on his two snowmobiles last winter because he was sick of constantly trying to keep them in working condition. My two brothers were the only ticket holders in the raffle and now own two snowmobiles and all the headaches that go with them. Now my father can ride them when he wants to and not worry about having to fix them. I can't wait until my kids are old enough to take some of this junk off my hands.

Lunch Menu...

- LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS WEEK OF APRIL 23, 1979**
- Mon., Apr. 23: Italian Spaghetti or Ravioli, Cabbage Salad or Vegetable, French Bread, Chilled Fruit or Jello, Milk.**
- Tues., Apr. 24: Hot Dogs with Pickles, Tossed Salad or Carrot Sticks, Buttered Corn, Choice of Fruit, Bars or Cookies, Milk.**
- Wed., Apr. 25: Turkey and Gravy on Whipped Potatoes or Rice, Green Beans, Biscuits or Rolls, Jello with Whip or Pudding, Milk.**
- Thurs., Apr. 26: Tacos with Meat, Cheese & Lettuce, Buttered Mixed Vegetables, Corn Bread or Biscuits with Syrup, Fresh or Canned Fruit or Jello, Milk.**
- Fri., Apr. 27: Fishwiches or Cheeseburgers, Potato Chips and Pickles, Green Beans or Salad, Fruit and Cookies, Milk.**

Think Positive In Kalamazoo

Wings Stadium, Kalamazoo, will be the site for a different kind of program on April 24. The "Main For Your Future" Rally will feature some of America's top experts in the fields of motivation, sales, management, and positive thinking.

The featured speakers are men and women who have accomplished some remarkable achievements. They will share their ideas and stories, their successes and failures with the audience.

Appearing in person will be "The Dean of personal motivation" Earl Nightingale, author of "Your Erroneous Zones" Dr. Wayne Dyer, possibility thinker

All seats are reserved on a first-come, first-serve basis. For ticket information write to: AIM, 10031 Handle, Portage MI 49081 or call 616-323-8074.

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Obituaries...

MARTIN — Florence N. (Stanton) Martin of 231 Robinson St., Lyons died Thursday at the Ionia County Memorial Hospital after a short illness.

She was born Feb. 23, 1905 in Alto, the daughter of Albert and Adah King. In 1922 she married Elmer Statton who preceded her in death in 1957. She married John Martin in 1960 and he preceded her in death in 1968.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Margaret Simons of Lyons; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Alberta Blodgett of Wayland.

Services were Saturday at the Hull Memorial Chapel, Mair. The Rev. Mark Matter of Lyons United Methodist Church officiating. Burial in Lyons Cemetery.

ELDRIDGE — Mr. Manly C. Eldridge, aged 84, of Thornapple River Dr., Caledonia, passed away Friday morning, April 13, 1979, at an area nursing home.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth; three sons, Lyle C. of Wyoming, Richard J. of Alto, and Rev. Marvin M. Eldridge of Weldman; four daughters, Mrs. Russell (Verie) Schantz of Mid-

deville, Mrs. Carl (Marietta) Vanderheide and Mrs. Harold (Theima) Bowron, both of Caledonia, Mrs. Howard (Madeline) Wenger of Dutton. Also surviving are 29 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. Margery Kaechele also of Caledonia. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Alaska Baptist Church, with his Pastor Rev. Herbert VanderLugt officiating. Interment following in Alaka Cemetery.

KEHOE — Al (Alphonus) E. Kehoe, aged 68, of 5480 Alpine Rd., NW, and formerly of Gavin Lake Rd., passed away Thursday afternoon, April 12, at Butterworth Hospital.

He is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Bensland, Mrs. Marie Smith; his aunt, Miss Charlotte Walsh; several nieces and nephews. Funeral Mass was offered Monday in St. Patrick's Church, at Parrell. He is survived by his wife, Bertha; a son and daughter-in-law, Thomas and Jina of Lowell;

his mother, Wilma Hemingsen of Lowell; four brothers, Robert and Alfred of Lowell, Donald of Sports Arena, 2845 Thornhills, S.E.

The Action Sports Show differs from other sport and boat shows in that it highlights the "action sports." Among the myriad events which will take place at this year's show are the Michigan arm wrestling championships, a 10,000 meter run sponsored by the American Cancer Society, a billiard tournament, rugby and power lifting demonstrations, amateur boxing matches, karate, skateboarding, gymnastics, glider planes, archery, a fashion show, and good food.

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Society Notes...

Steeple Dedication Being Planned

Twenty-seven youths will sing "Lost and Found" they hail at both the 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. worship services at the First United Methodist Church on Sunday, April 22. Called by...

HOMESPUN DEVOTIONS

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Deborah Wyman Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wyman of Saranac announce the engagement of their daughter Deborah Jean, to Daniel C. McCullum...

Ms. Wyman is a graduate of Saranac High School and attended Bob Jones University and Kendall School of Design.

BIRTHS

A baby boy, Ryan Jay, was born April 6 to Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Christoff weighing 7 lbs., 2 oz. He was welcomed home by his brother, Nathan...

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Vezino of Lowell announce the birth of a daughter, Heather, born April 17 at Butterworth Hospital...

WOTM To Elect New Officers

Virginia Will, chairman of the Academy of Friendship for the Women of the Moose, will be in charge of the chapter night program on May 7 at 8 p.m.

The nominating committee for a slate of new officers for the coming year will get on April 16 at the home of Senior Regent Cora Storzmand.

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Potpourri...

Young farm couples from 41 Michigan counties gathered in Midland MI on March 7 for the Young Farmer Leaders' Conference...

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Saranac Doin's...

OKs Ordinance Review, Tree Trimming

Several major items were before the Saranac Village Council at their meeting Monday night...

An Oshtemo item was engaged to review and put in order village ordinances, bring them up to date and assemble them under one cover for the sum of \$1,585.

Council also approved contracting with a firm to trim trees, chip and haul the trimmings, at the rate of \$26.50 per hour. Stumps will also be removed at \$14 a piece with the provision that private parties may also hire the company while it is working in the village at the same amount and billed directly, not through the Village office.

It is estimated that 20 stumps need removal and more than 50 trees require trimming.

In other action, the council approved construction of an announcer's stand at the horse show ring in Scheid Park. Larry Tijema of Saranac, leader of a 4-H saddle club, presented the plans for the stand which will be eight feet wide by 10 feet high.

Max Tullis, village president, told the council that Phase I of the riverfront park proposal was now being acted upon. The park land will first have to undergo inspection by state archaeologists who believe there may be Indian relics at the site before any excavation can be done.

Also under old business, Richard Bush, engineer for Williams and Works, reported back to the council on winter problems with frozen water services. The freezing was not the result of the installation of storm sewers last year. Bush said that waterlines run between 4 1/2 and 5 feet below the surface of the roadway and none were disturbed when the street was last winter.

The severity of the past winter was blamed. In response to a past request and petition in regard to a loading dock problem at a local supermarket, Tullis said that a special meeting of council with Bernard Adgate, supermarket operator, would be called to consider the problem.

Councilman Forrest Buck requested consideration to be given to incorporation of a new library structure into the 49-unit housing project planned for 1981. Councilman Bruce Chadwick moved that the minutes reflect that the village will levy 12 mills. Tullis reported that a meeting would be arranged with the former leaseholders of the Village-owned building occupied by the Saranac to determine whether or not in transferring the lease it had been voided.

4-H Plans Crafts For Kids

A 4-H Craft Workshop for Kids is planned for Saturday, April 21, 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 105 E. Main, Ionia.

This is open to all Ionia County youth 9 years or older. You need not be a 4-H member to participate. Classes are limited and on a first-come, first-served basis. Cost for all classes (except Ukrainian Eggs) is 25¢-75¢. Participants are able to choose 2 classes (one for morning) and one for the afternoon except the Ukrainian Eggs class which lasts all day.

Classes offered are: Ukrainian Eggs Decoration (\$2.00 cost and last all day); Egg Carton Jewelry; Wall Paper Art; Broken Glass Art; Plaster of Paris Wall Plaques; Paint Padded Decorations; Fabric Frames (bring scissors and a greeting card for this class).

This event is sponsored by the Ionia County 4-H Crafts Development Committee, and is available to all students of Ionia County.

Scouts Receive Awards At Honor Court

Saranac Boy Scouts held their Court of Honor at the American Legion Club on Monday night following a potluck supper.

Jack Brondyk, Bart Denny, Nick Greives, Rich Grant, Eric MacDonald, Jim Melcher, and Mark Phillips all received citizenship award.

Other awards were: Jeff Campbell, physical fitness; Rich Grant, pet and reading merit badges; Nick Greives, Blaine Kirby and Jack Brondyk, scout skill awards; Scott Mogdis, rowing merit badge.

Ken Sweet, basketball merit badge, citizenship in the nation, citizenship in the world, hiking and weather merit badges, polar bear carport award, 50-mile hike award. Life Scout award, and Marshall Will citizenship skill award.

Saranac Scouts will attend summer camp near Sears July 8-14 as well as a Spring Camporee at Lowell airport May 4-6. Troop 71 will serve as host to Saranac Cub Scouts and Saranac Brownies and Girl Scouts at an open house in May.

William M. Sewer was paid \$19 for speeding, Danny J. Dellinsky paid \$19 for failure to transfer registration, Raylene K. Magee paid \$19 for speeding, Michael Honderly paid \$19 for speeding, Gerald J. Robinson paid \$19 for speeding.

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Saranac B&E's Solved

A rash of breaking and entering of vehicles appears to have been solved by Michigan State Police Troopers with the identification of a Saranac juvenile as the responsible party, according to Trooper Bortoff.

Other leads are also being investigated since some adults appear to have been involved, said Bortoff.

Recovered personal property taken from several automobiles in Saranac on Monday and Monday have been returned. Items ranging from stereo tape players and tape cassettes to groceries and a radio were recovered by Michigan State Police on three complaints. Other items recovered on complaints handled by Ionia County Sheriff's Department were also involved.

Spec. 4 Phillip L. Hebe, son of Mrs. Luella M. Hesche, Route 3, Park Lake Road, Lowell, is participating in Brave Shield 19, a joint readiness exercise held in central Texas.

Brave Shield 19, involving nearly 16,000 troops, will provide the opportunity to test and evaluate selected Army, Air Force, Army Reserve and National Guard units performing specific missions in a combat environment.

He is a security patrolman with the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, Texas. Hesche lives at Route 1, Saranac.

Chosen To Attend Seminar

Three finalists have been chosen to participate in the Young People's Citizenship Seminar sponsored by the Michigan Farm Bureau.

Ann Terburgh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Terburgh of Saranac, will attend the seminar. She has been active in school plays, editor of the school newspaper, vice president of FIDA, student council representative and has won two first ratings in public speaking.

Also chosen to attend are Dixie Francisco of Ionia and Catherine Cline of Portland. Alternates selected were Kim DeMeester, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray DeMeester of Saranac and Carolyn Peacock of Ionia.

The Public Museum hours for this event are 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Admission to the Grand Rapids Public Museum is free although there will be a 50¢ per person charge for the escorted Pioneer Craft Programs for schools outside the City limits of Grand Rapids.

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Debbie Stuart Takes Top TCAA Honors

Three Saranac Redskin girls received post-season honors on the TCAA all-conference volleyball team.

Sophomore Debbie Stuart was named most valuable player in the league, the first time a Saranac girl has ever taken that honor. She was named to the first team all conference squad as well.

Teammates DeAnn Eddy and Debbie Schneider were named to the all-conference second team. DeAnn is a junior and Debbie is a sophomore.

Saranac won all their league meets but one, a late season loss to Lakeview. "We were a young team so I look for a good year next year," Coach Annette Schneider said.

"We're planning to send several girls to volleyball camp this summer. I think that really helped the team during the season. Last year we were the first we had sent girls to camp and the results are obvious. I think we'll be very good next year," added the beaming coach.

Pony Struck Terry L. Sible of Saranac told Michigan State Police Troopers that he was southbound on Morrison Lake Road south of David Highway about 9:15 a.m. last Thursday when he struck a pony that wandered onto the roadway. Neither the driver nor the pony, which belongs to Dan Carigan of Saranac, was injured.

Troopers are investigating the theft of motor oil from the residence of John Smith, rural Saranac.

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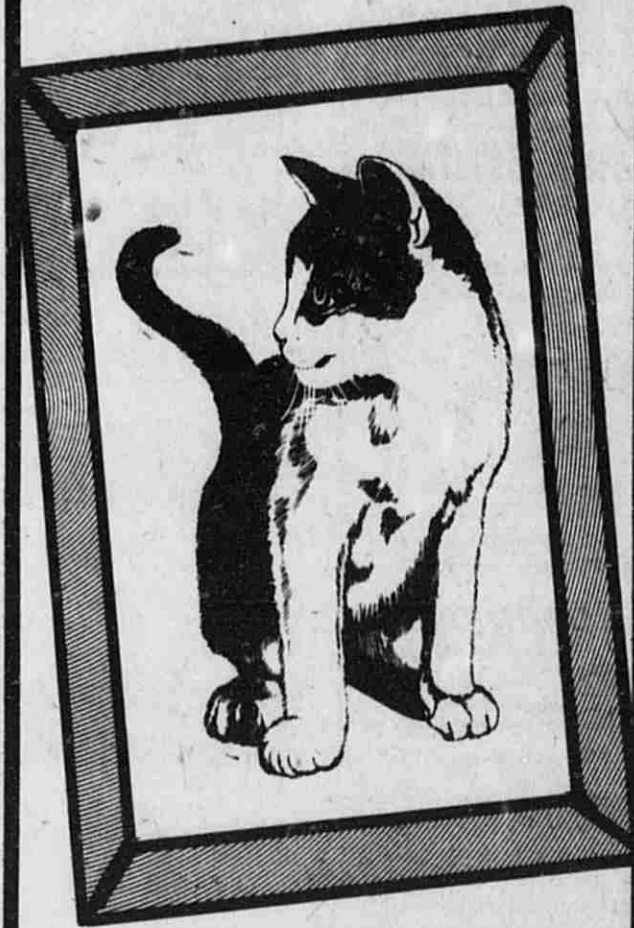
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The company annually honors outstanding members of the Society at elegant formal dinners in major United States cities which are attended by top management executives of the Hiram Walker organization and principals of the company's huge network of distributing houses. The above picture was made at The Royal Orleans hotel, New Orleans, March 8, 1979.

Letters to the Editor

To The Community:

The West Central Michigan Historical Society has been organized for about 12 years and during this time has been involved in many successful projects.

However, we feel there is need for a change. A greater base of interest and an expanded historical society is needed. We think there are many people in the Vergennes/Lowell area who will be interested in a variety of historical objects or projects not covered at this time.

At a recent meeting of the WCMHS Board, with these views in mind, a proposal was accepted to ask the community to vote at our annual open meeting on the following:

1. The scope of the Society be changed to cover all historical aspects of the Lowell/Vergennes area. 2. The name of the Society be changed to corre-

spond to the scope of activity. 3. The By-Laws/Charter/Constitution be changed accordingly. 4. A committee of members and non-members of these areas be formed by our Society to draw up and implement the new provisions.

We hope you will attend and help in our re-organization. The meeting will be held Tuesday, April 24, 1979 at 8 p.m. at the Lowell Runciman School gym.

Respectfully,
 Leonora Tower,
 President WCMHS

Info On Arthritis

The Kent County Unit of the Arthritis Foundation, Michigan Chapter will sponsor an Arthritis Information program. Bill Leer, Director of Psychology at Mary Free Bed Hospital and Rehabilitation Center will speak on "Psychosocial factors in Arthritis." The meeting will be held at Butterworth Hospital's cafeteria, Tuesday, April 24 at 7:30 p.m.

The public is invited free of charge and can participate in a question and answer period following the program.

Officers Elected For WC

The Womens Club of Lowell met April 11 in the lounge of the Schneider Manor on Bowes Road. Club president Mrs. Randall opened the meeting with the pledge of Allegiance to the American flag and Michigan flag. A gift of money was given to "Girls Town" and our gift to the cancer fund was increased. A brief eulogy was given in memory of Katherine Davis, a valued member recently deceased.

A letter from the West Central Michigan Historical Society was read, and on April 24, 1979 at 8 p.m. they will hold a meeting at Lowell's Runciman School Gym, with members and non-members invited to attend, to help in their re-organization.

Mrs. Harry Richmond, president of Kent County Federation of Womens Clubs announced there will be the annual spring meeting April 18 in the Caledonia Methodist church. A coffee and registration will be at 9:30 a.m. and the church will serve luncheon at noon.

Mrs. Kelly, chairman of arts and crafts, gave a mini-report about the different articles of art work displayed by the school students. Many ladies brought beautiful quilts and articles which they had made during the past year, and these were displayed on two large tables.

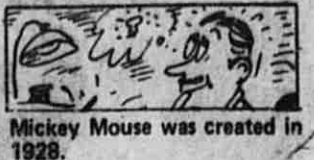
This meeting was also the annual election of officers with a nominating committee of Mrs. E. Swanson, Mrs. R. Moore, and Mrs. V.L. Watts. The following names were presented to lead the club during the ensuing year: President, Mrs. E. E. Randall; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. D. Harding; 2nd Vice-president, Mrs. H. Tiche-laar; Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. Pasanen; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Connel; Treasurer, Mrs. M. Schutt; Parliamentarian, Mrs. D. Kelly; Press Reporter, Mrs. G. Noteware; Auditor, Mrs. R. Yates; Installation Officer, Mrs. H. Richmond. All were elected and will be installed at the May luncheon meeting of the club.

Mrs. Swanson, program chairman, introduced speaker Karen O'Dowd from Squires Square in Rockford. She has a shop where she sells and makes quilts, and other crafts. She also teaches quilting. Mrs. O'Dowd brought quilts, pillows, and some of the tools used in quilting.

Mrs. Bradshaw's guest was Mrs. Kropf; Mrs. Poe's guest was Mrs. Green and Mrs. Swanson's guest was Mrs. Krebs.

Social hour hostess Mrs. Ellis and her committee of Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Roth, Mrs. Kuchey, Mrs. Laux and Mrs. Scott, arranged a special party for Mrs. Flo Jefferies, an active yellow daffodils.

club member who is moving to Grand Rapids. The tea table was adorned with a large bouquet of



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