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## Round-Up Time For Kindergarten

Lowell Area Schools kindergarten round-up is currently getting underway. The purpose of kindergarten round-up is to assist the school district in planning future enrollment, introduce the school setting to parents and new students, and gather information on individual students to help in planning to make their school experience a success.

Alto Elementary round-up is scheduled for May 3, 1979. If you were unable to make the parents meeting, please call the school at 868-6111 to schedule an appointment.

Bushnell Elementary round-up will be Wednesday and Thursday, May 9 & 10. Individual appointments for the student testing on these days were scheduled at Monday night's parents meeting. Those who did not attend the meeting are requested to call the Bushnell School at 897-8471 to make the necessary appointment.

Runciman will be holding kindergarten round-up on May 7 and 8. Registering times are as follows:

May 7	8:30 a.m.
A - B	9:30 a.m.
C - D	

E - G	10:30 a.m.
H - J	1:00 p.m.
K - L	2:00 p.m.
May 8	
M - N	8:30 a.m.
O - Q	9:30 a.m.
R - S	10:30 a.m.
T - V	1:00 p.m.
W - Z	2:00 p.m.

Be sure to bring your child's birth certificate and immunization record to the round-up with you.

## Elbow Grease Needed In Ada

Care to exchange a little "elbow grease" for some old-fashioned fun? If so, grab your grubbies, your families, and friends, and meet at the Ada Township Hall, 555 Ada Dr., at 9 a.m., Saturday, May 5. It's Ada's fourth annual "Keep Ada Beautiful Day".

Details are available through the Township Hall, 676-9191.

## May 12 Set For Lowell Home Tour

To develop a fine appreciation of its heritage of good living in Lowell, the Runciman-Riverside PTO has planned its first Historical Home Tour. Five local homes, rich in history and family memories, will be open to the public on Saturday, May 12. Chosen as representatives for the tour are homes that represent various periods of Lowell's development through the years.

Overlooking the Flat River are two of the homes to be toured. The popular bungalow-styled home has been frequently visited by many politicians and Showboat celebrities. Jerry Ford has been just one of many to hold press conferences in the basement rooms. The upstairs was well designed to show off the antiques, and the windows on either side of the living room fireplace are brightened by the collection of colored glass. The owner has tastefully remodeled



Five historic homes in Lowell will be opened to the public during the Historic Home Tour on Saturday, May 12. An ambitious project, it is the brainchild of the members of the Runciman-Riverside Parent Teacher Organization. One of the tour homes pictured above is located on Riverside Drive.

the kitchen to enhance the view of the garden area.

The modified Victorian-style home of brick is just a short walk down the street. Its unusual tower is one of few like it in Lowell.

Along one of our main walks, you'll see a home with a porch that was the focal point of family and friends' gatherings. Just off the porch are glass doors to the entrance-way. Upon entering the room, "the heart of the home", you'll see doorways leading into the downstairs area and a hint of an open stairway leading to the upstairs rooms. This room is the perfect place for the handmade reproduction of a grandfather's clock, one of many prized collections.

On the east side of Lowell is the Queen Anne-styled home with its Gothic trim, which is a true step into the past. In the foyer is a fireplace with family heirlooms, and past the wood sliding door is a room filled with antique furniture, just right to bring out the beauty of the original wallpaper.

The tour is open between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., Saturday, May 12, and will begin at the Showboat Ticket office on Main Street. Tickets are \$3 and advance tickets will be \$2.50 at the YMCA office the week of May 7. For further information, call 897-5400 or 897-7130.



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### DUFFERS UNITE

It is time for all Old Duffers to enter spring training. Hopefully the regulars will all be back but the group would like to see some new rookies as well. Official tee off time will be at 9 a.m. May 7 at Arrowhead Golf Course. The Duffers golf every Monday morning through the summer, weather permitting. There is no set league schedule so if you can swing a club and could stand some exercise with good company, plan to meet the fellows on the first tee.

### RE-FLOAT GIFT

Members of the Re-float the Showboat Campaign send their thanks to Lyllia Johnson, long time Showboat enthusiast. She donated \$5 for each year that she served on the Showboat board, a total of 25 years. As Showboat holds a special place in Lyllia's heart, there is a special place of honor in Showboat's heart for Lyllia.

### RE-OPENED

The doors to the former Vista Inn are open for business again, this time with a new restaurant owned by Carl Miller, Bob Smit, Leonard Venneman and Carl Franks, all of Lowell. Open from 5:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Thursday, they'll be serving breakfast and short orders. Weekends, the restaurant will be open continuously from Friday at 5:30 a.m. through Sunday at 5 p.m. They hope to open the basement to dancing for teenagers in the next couple of weeks. Located at 1400 W. Main, its new moniker is Disco Dungeon.

### SUPPORT SAFETY TOWN

At their April 19 general meeting, the Lowell Area Arts Council agreed to support Safety Town, the pre-school safety program scheduled for June 18 through 29. Peggy Idema will chair the LAAC committee which will paint the houses, streets and signs in the miniature village. Safety Town registration will be held in conjunction with Kindergarten Round-Up at all three elementary schools in the Lowell system.

### REUNION

The Lowell High School Class of 1952 is planning a class reunion for August 11 at Deer Run Golf Club. Organizers are still looking for addresses and information on former class members for a complete invitation list. If you can help call 868-7237 or 897-8742.

### BUSY WEEKEND

With the weather picture looking up finally, spring events abound. Lowell Jaycees will hold their annual walkathon for Muscular Dystrophy this Saturday, May 5 beginning and ending at the 4-H Fairgrounds. The 20-mile walk will go off as scheduled rain or no rain. Local CBers are reminded to leave Channel 2 clear for use in check-point communications by the event sponsors.

Fund-raising and fun-raising carnivals are planned at two elementary schools this weekend. Alto's begins at 5 p.m. with supper, and games follow at 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. Festivities at Bushnell start at 11 a.m. and run until 3 p.m. These family events are not restricted solely to students of the respective schools. Everyone is welcome. If your short person starts school next year, it might be a way to introduce her or him to their new building in a very pleasant way.

### TIME SWITCH

The change to Daylight Savings Time last Sunday means that morning motorists should be alert during pre-school hours. Commuters will be driving in winter-like light conditions in the morning and should keep an eye out for children on their way to school. There is also an increased possibility of fog this time of year.

### OFF THE BLOTTER

Involved in a property damage accident Tuesday afternoon, April 24, was Elmer Back of Lowell when he hit a parked vehicle on Main St. near Monroe.

Apprehended Wednesday afternoon, April 25, at Lipperts by store employees was a shoplifter.

Pamela R. Milan of Lowell paid \$19 in District Court for speeding.

### INJURED

Lawrence J. Aubertine, 1286 Laurie Gail, Lowell, was injured in a one-car accident on Tuesday evening, April 24, about 11 p.m. He was westbound on M-21 west of Montcalm when he lost control of his vehicle and rolled over into a ditch. He refused treatment at the scene for a facial contusion.

Injured in a motorcycle-car accident on Thursday afternoon, April 26, was Norman Adcock of Lowell. Adcock was driving the cycle when a car driven by Ellen Boyer of Lowell failed to yield the right-of-way at Hunt and Hudson Streets, striking the cycle.

## Register For School Election By May 14

May 14 is the last day of registration for the annual school election on June 11 when two four-year terms on the Lowell Board of Education will be filled.

Many people do not realize that when they move from one township to another they must re-register in their new township. The registration records of the township or city in which they reside takes precedence.

If an elector moves from the City of Lowell into Vergennes Township, for example, then he or she should register with the clerk in Vergennes Township in order to be eligible to vote in the

school election. The Vergennes Township Clerk would then send a notice to the city clerk to cancel the previous registration record and also send a copy of the new registration record to the School District of residence. Lowell School District has formed a third precinct with the new polling place being the Vergennes Township Hall at the corner of Parnell Road and Bailey Drive. School district electors registered in Vergennes, Cannon, Ada, Grattan and Keene Townships will cast their ballots at this new location in the June election.

## Carnival Days At Bushnell, Alto Schools

The annual Alto Spring Carnival sponsored by the Mothers Club will be this Friday, May 4 at Alto Elementary School. The kitchen opens at 5 p.m. to serve you a fabulous supper along with break time treats.

Game rooms open their doors at 6 p.m. and run until 9 p.m. There are games for every age group plus baked goods and a country store filled with hand made articles.

A raffle will be held with drawings throughout the evening.

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Bushnell Bronco red & white T-shirts are in and will be available for \$2.50. Lunch will be served throughout the carnival.

## Kids: Here's An Offer You Can't Refuse!

If you are a high school or middle school student between the ages of 12 and 18, need some spending money and aren't afraid of a little work, the YMCA has an offer you won't be able to refuse.

Plans are in the offing for a "Rent-a-Kid" program and all that is needed now are participants. Those in the community who need baby sitters or odd jobs done will be able to call the YMCA Rent-a-Kid service soon to locate some willing young person for temporary employment. Jobs could be light housework, yard work, window cleaning or any number of other types of work for willing hands.

Students interested should sign up at the Lowell YMCA. Each student's name and job interests will be kept on file. Before the service can open for use by the public, though, the

listing of young people will have to grow. Contact Mike Connell for more information at the YMCA office and get ready for a busy spring and summer.

## Head Coach At FH Central

Dave VanDyke of Thornapple River Drive, Ada, has been promoted to the position of head football coach at Forest Hills Central High School. He had served as assistant football coach previously and has been on the Ranger football staff for eight seasons.

VanDyke married the former Susan Gerst of Lowell last summer.

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## Dr. Herrick's Collection On Display

An outstanding representation of turn of the century glassware will be on exhibit beginning May 6 at the Grand Rapids Public Museum, 54 Jefferson SE. Many of the more than 1,000 pieces from the collection of the late Dr. Ruth Herrick of Lowell will be displayed.

The exhibit will include samples of chocolate, Nile green and amber plus many of the distinctive shapes used by the Indiana Tumbler and Goblet Company of Greentown, Indiana.

The Grand Rapids Public Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Admission is free.

## New Officers

Elections were held at VFW Post #8303 on April 17, 1979 and the following are officers for the coming year:

Post Commander, Don Souser; Sr. Vice Commander, John Stinson; Jr. Vice Commander, Ray Hovings; Chaplain, Olen Miller Sr.; Quartermaster, Mike Willard; Post Advocate, Roman Maloney.

Post Surgeon, Steve Stephenson; Three Year Trustee, Duane Hendrick; Two Year Trustee, Ival Paulsen; One Year Trustee, Fred Phelps; Service Officer, Mike Willard; Adjutant, Steve Stephenson.

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Also located on Riverside Drive, this home has seen some grand lawn parties attended by then-Vice President Gerald Ford and numerous Showboat celebrities over the years. Two hundred-year-old Lowell churches will also be open May 12, St. Mary's Catholic Church and the United Methodist Church.



The turreted, windowed roof gives interest to a bedroom in one of the tour homes. Audi Post, who grew up in this house, was responsible for founding our city library.



On the east side of Lowell is this Queen Anne-styled home with its Gothic trim, a real step into the past. Family heirlooms and antique furniture are gentle reminders of a gracious style of living from yesterday.



Another of the homes on the tour is located on Hudson Street. Tickets for the event are in the form of a booklet which gives historical information on the homes and Lowell, and will be sold beginning Monday, May 7, at the YMCA office [9 a.m. to 5 p.m.] and at the Showboat ticket office on tour day.

## Morrison Lake Tops Deer Run

The first annual Two-man Scramble between Morrison Lake Golf Course and Deer Run Golf Club was held last Saturday and Sunday with Morrison Lake winning the event. Only nine of the scheduled 18 holes were played at Morrison Lake on Saturday due to the inclement weather. The full 18 holes scheduled for Sunday were played at Deer Run. In all, 22 teams competed.

Winners of the championship flight were: first, Carl Peurach and Jerry Reese; second, Terry Sible and Scott Metternick; tie for third, Dick Whitelock and Ned Berger, Jr., and Kim Grant and Doug Shields. Winners of the first flight were: first, Mel Lavato and Jerry Scobey; tie for second, Bob Reese and Chuck Barker, and Tom Barker and Tom Weller.

## Buy A Poppy Help A Vet

Buddy Poppies will go on sale in the Lowell area on May 17, 18 and 19, from volunteers of the VFW Post #8303 in Lowell.

Throughout the nation, veterans in need gain assistance from the proceeds of this annual sale of Buddy Poppies. The Buddy Poppy has been the symbolic flower of Memorial Day since its first sale by the Veterans of Foreign Wars in 1922. "Honor the dead by helping the living" is the slogan of the sale. Proceeds are used entirely for the welfare of disabled and needy veterans and the survivors of deceased veterans.

Lowell Mayor Dean Collins has issued a proclamation urging all patriotic citizens to wear a Buddy Poppy as mute evidence of our gratitude to the men of this country who have risked their lives in defense of the freedom which we continue to enjoy as American Citizens.

APPOINTMENTS—Not always needed at Vanity Hair Fashions, open five days, Lowell, 897-7506. c25

TAXI SERVICE — D & K Shutting, Ph. 897-8638, Hrs. 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday-Saturday. c15af

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### Rotary Flags Exchanged



Lowell Rotary Club president Don Rocheleau recently exchanged rotary flags with Adriana Benedetto of Salto, Uruguay. Miss Benedetto who is a junior at Lowell Senior High School is residing with the Roger Robinson family of Sibley Street, Lowell.

## Obituaries...

**FARRINGTON** — Mrs. Donna M. Farrington, aged 53, of Cutleville, passed away Thursday, April 26, 1979, at Blodgett Memorial Medical Center. Surviving are her husband, Harry; a son Denys Farrington of Cutleville; a granddaughter, Patricia Farrington; her father, Louis Rose of Cutleville; two sisters, Mrs. Leo (Thelma) Bird of Lowell, Mrs. John (Eva) Baker of Portland; two brothers, Ken Rose of Wayland, Ronald Rose of Byron Center; her mother-in-law, Mrs. Mable Farrington of Chase, MI; two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Irma Fitch of Hodgkins, Ill., Mrs. Doris McCormick of Oak Creek, Wis.

The funeral service was held Monday afternoon, Rev. Harry VanderArk officiating. Interment Kent Memorial Gardens. **NORTON** — Mrs. Robert J. Norton, aged 42, passed away unexpectedly Thursday morning while at work. Surviving are his wife, Kay; one daughter, Dawn Marie; and one son, Darwin Lee Norton both at home; one sister, Mrs. Ronald (Joyce) Eschich of Lowell; several nieces and nephews. Services were held Saturday, Rev. Clayton Eby officiating. Interment Rest Lawn Memorial Park. Memorial contributions to Bruce

may be made to the Michigan Heart Assn. **VICTOR** — Mrs. Rhoda E. Victor, aged 69, of Kentwood, passed away Thursday morning at Blodgett Memorial Medical Center.

She is survived by her children, Patricia and Charles VanderLan of Wyoming, Sandra J. Hufford of Kalamazoo, Mary and Gerald Zickerman of Alto, Charles and Jane Victor of Grand Rapids, nine grandchildren; one great-grandchild; one sister, Miss Margaret Trombley of Flat Rock, MI. Funeral services were held Saturday with Rev. James Fox officiating. Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider the American Cancer Society.

**EDWARDS** — Harley H. Edwards, 79, of 4306 Carson City Road, Sheridan, died Friday in Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital. He was born Dec. 6, 1899, in Bushnell Township, the son of Elmer and Jennie Edwards and was a life-long resident of the Sheridan area. He married the former Vera Soule in 1929. Mrs. Edwards survives him. A daughter and two sons also survive: Mrs. Duane (Sandra) Todd of Middleton and Bruce

Edwards of Sheridan and Larry Edwards of Brighton. Six grandchildren also survive. A sister, Mrs. Bernard (Oiga) Scheid of Saranac, and two brothers, Clare of Sheridan and Lewis of Lawrence, Kan., also survive.

Services were Sunday from the Stebbins & Simpson Funeral Home in Sheridan, the Rev. Gerald Bowen officiating. Burial in Sheridan Cemetery. **CROWLEY** — Mrs. Doris A. Crowley, aged 80, of Grand Rapids, died Saturday evening at Haven Park Nursing Home, Zeeland.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Oville (Helen A.) McDanold of Summerville, N.J., and Mrs. William (Ellen M.) Cannon of Lowell; two sons, James P. Crowley of Wyoming, and Jerome P. Crowley of Minneapolis, MN; 14 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Tuesday with Rev. George H. Hawk officiating. Interment Resurrection Cemetery.

**KOWATCH** — Funeral services for Mrs. Aurea M. Kowatch, 63, of Port Ritchey, Fla., were held Monday at 2 p.m. at the Leddick Funeral Home

with Rev. Carl Hausermann of First United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in Saranac Cemetery. Mrs. Kowatch was born in Saranac April 19, 1916, the daughter of Leroy and Nina (Bartlett) Hunter. She attended Saranac schools and graduated from Saranac High School.

She worked in the office at the Saranac Creamery. She was married to Albert Kowatch on Dec. 9, 1939 and they made their home in Saranac. They lived in Ionia for 25 years, before moving to Morrison Lake in 1969. They sold their home at Morrison Lake in 1977 and moved to Port Ritchey. She had worked many years for Michigan Bell Telephone Co., prior to her retirement.

She is survived by her husband, Albert; one son, Gene, of Ionia; one daughter, Mrs. Ray (Kae) Kennedy, of Lowell; five grandchildren. A memorial fund has been established for the Michigan Heart Association. **COULSON** — Theresa M. Coulson, aged 83, of 724 W. Peck Lake Rd., Ionia, passed away Saturday evening, April 28.

She was born April 29, 1895 in Berlin Township. She is survived by one son, Robert Coulson of Saranac; one daughter, Mary Lou Coulson of Peck Lake Rd.; five brothers, Leo Zanto, Leonard Zanto, Glenn Zanto all of Portland, Paul Zanto of Greenville and John Zanto of Shelbyville; two sisters, Mrs. John (Agnes) Dekkings of Grand

Rapids, Mrs. Ray (Ann) Cross of Portland; three grandchildren. Funeral Mass will be recited Wednesday at 10 a.m. at S.S. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Ionia. Burial in Mt. Olivet Cemetery. **12 Vie For Miss Ada Crown**

Twelve contestants have entered the first annual Miss Ada Pageant which will take place Saturday, May 19, at 8 p.m. in the Forest Hills Central High School Auditorium. The following contestants have entered: Patricia Lynn Timmins, Susan VanderPloeg, Kristine Garbow, Theresa Faulkner, Barbara Jean Fritz, Deborah Ann Sourbeck, Susan Louise Hillman, Karen Sue Parks, Rebecca Louise Smith, Terri Tamblin, Kim Nanette Budde and Leslie Ann Vanderbout. The public is invited to attend the scholarship pageant.

### Lunch Menu...

**LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS WEEK OF MAY 7, 1979**  
Mon., May 7: Chicken and Noodles or Goulash, Green Beans or Salad, French Bread, Chocolate Pudding W/Whip or Fruit, Milk.  
Tues., May 8: Roast Beef Burgers on a Bun and Pickles Tossed Salad, Fresh Cooked Mixed Vegetables, Apple Crisp or Fresh Fruit, Milk.  
Wed., May 9: Chicken and Gravy on Mashed Potatoes or Rice, Green Beans, Biscuits with Butter, Jello with Whip or Fruit, Milk.  
Thurs., May 10: Tacos with Meat, Cheese and Lettuce, Buttered Corn, Johnny Cake with Syrup or Butter, Assorted Fruit, Milk.  
Fri., May 11: Assorted Sandwiches, Potato Chips and Pickles, Baked Beans or Soup, Chilled Fresh or Canned Fruit, Cookies or Bars, Milk.

### Compete In Sparkarama

The Second Annual Sparkarama will be held Saturday, May 5, at the Lowell Middle School at 1 p.m. First Baptist Church will be entering a team for the first time. Each team consists of 14 clubbers and two alternates. These "Sparks" are kindergarten to second grade level students who have worked hard at their Bible memory work and are, therefore, chosen for the team. Church members and friends are invited to attend and watch these little ones compete in some very lively games. Tickets may be purchased from Warren Johnson (897-8719). Cost is \$1.25 for adults and 75c for anyone under 18.

### 1979 Will Be Blueberry Lovers Year

A short blueberry crop last year gave producers their highest prices in history. That short crop also sent consumer prices to a level where consumption of blueberries declined. But this year, the consumer will be the winner, according to Peter Holbein, general manager of the Michigan Blueberry Growers Association, who predicts that both quantity and quality of the 1979 crop will be excellent. "We had a mild winter and we're looking forward to an excellent crop. We expect an increase in production of about 50 percent which will mean a great deal more product to the market, plus we have a carryover from the previous year," Holbein said. Michigan ranks first in the nation in the production of blueberries.

### Fall Wedding Planned



Wanda McQueen and Mark Armstrong. Mr. and Mrs. Marvin H. McQueen of Lowell are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Wanda Sue, to Mark Charles Armstrong. Mark is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Armstrong, also of Lowell.

### Debbie Heiman Engaged



Debbie Heiman. Mr. and Mrs. Donald R. Heiman of Ada are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Deborah Jane, to Gary Thomas Brantley of Oklawaha, Fla. Gary is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Onis C. Brantley of Speedwell, Tenn. Deborah is a 1973 graduate of Lowell High School and is employed at Butterworth Hospital. Gary is attending Marianna University in Florida. No wedding date has been set by the couple.

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## Coming Events...

**MAY 2, 8 & 9, 16 & 23:** CPR classes to be held at the Lowell High School from 7:10 p.m. each night. Limited enrollment of 25 per class. Sponsored by Jaycees and Bud's Ambulance. Free. Call 897-9981 to register.  
**THURS., MAY 3:** Bluebird sign up for 1st grade girls immediately after school in room 106 of Runciman School. Moms please attend if possible, also.  
**FRI., MAY 4:** Alto Spring Carnival from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Supper at 5 p.m., games 6-9 p.m. at Alto Elementary School.  
**SAT., MAY 5:** Bushnell School Carnival from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Bushnell Elementary School. Games, bake sale, door prizes and lunch available.  
**SAT., MAY 5:** Get ready! Annual Walk-a-thon. Proceeds go to Muscular Dystrophy.  
**SUN., MAY 6:** Public is invited to an evening of gospel music with "The Testimonies" from Charlotte, MI at the Bowne Center U.M. Church at 7:30 p.m.  
**WED., MAY 9:** Snow UMW will serve a turkey and dressing dinner at Snow Christian Center, 3211 Snow Ave., beginning at 5:30 p.m. Public is invited.  
**THURS., MAY 10:** There will be a Bushnell PTO meeting at 9 a.m. in the Bushnell Kiva.  
**THURS., SUN., MAY 10-13:** North Kent Mall Antique Show during mall hours. Plainfield Ave., Grand Rapids. Admission and parking are free.  
**FRI., MAY 11:** There will be a popcorn sale at Bushnell with Bronco T-shirts available at \$2.50 each.  
**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: 897-5400. Sponsored by Runciman/Riverside PTO.  
**SUN., MAY 13:** 10th Annual Greater Muskegon Kennel Club Dog Show and Obedience Trial at L.C. Walker Sports Arena. Judging starts at 9 a.m. No entries taken the day of the show. Entries close April 25.  
**MON., MAY 14:** Golden Swingers will meet at Schneider Manor for a potluck supper at 6 p.m. Bring own service and a dish to pass. Coffee and meat will be furnished. All are welcome.  
**TUES., MAY 15:** Grand Rapids Mother of Twins Club will meet at the South Union Methodist Church, 4500 S. Division at 8 p.m. Election of officers, salad smorgasbord and group discussion on twins. Call 538-2722 for more information.  
**FRI., MAY 18:** Square Dancing, 7:30-11:30 p.m. at Saranac Elementary School. Ed Sobie and his band. Refreshments. Admission \$1.50 adults, \$1 children.  
**Happy Birthday**  
May 5: George Fandler, A. J. Brown, Shelly Hayes, Mary Kay Wright, Ione Sprague, Sheryl Meeuwsen.  
May 6: Larry Aubertin, David Coons.  
May 8: Steve Boyce, Rhonda Nead.

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<b>Example # 3</b> <b>1978 Bronco</b> Air, automatic, forged aluminum wheels, trailer towing package, 4,000 miles. Price New \$11885 Sale Price \$8795 PLUS TAX AND LICENSE	<b>Example # 4</b> <b>1977 Dodge Club Cab</b> 4x4, 318 V8, automatic, power steering and brakes, AM/FM Radio and more. Book Price \$5600 Sale Price \$4995 PLUS TAX AND LICENSE

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# Saranac Doin's...

## Two Injured In Accidents

Robert M. Fullerton, 17, of Saranac was treated for injuries following a one-car accident on the Morrison Lake Rd. north of Peck Lake Rd. According to Ionia County Sheriff deputies, a 15-year-old Saranac youth was driving northbound on Morrison Lake Rd. when he swerved to miss an animal in the road. Officers said the youth lost control of the car, skidded into a guardrail, flipped over and rolled down a steep embankment. The car came to rest on its top. Fullerton was a passenger in the vehicle. Donald P. Randall, 19, of Saranac suffered minor injuries when a dog attacked him Saturday morning. According to deputies, Randall was westbound on Summit St. west of Parsonage St. when a dog grabbed his pant leg and pulled him off the guardrail, flipped over and rolled.

## Mager Honored At Meet



DHA Technician Ted Mager (left) shown receiving his U.S. Savings Bond from Lee Ward, DHA District No. 2 Fieldman.

On Monday, April 2, DHA Technician Ted A. Mager, who works with the local DHA program in Ionia County, was awarded a U.S. Savings Bond for his efforts in promoting the DHA programs in this area. Mr. Mager, along with 107 others, attended the 1979 Michigan DHA Technician In-Service Conference held at Long's Convention Center in Lansing, MI. Michigan DHA, Inc. provides Herd Management Services to over 150,000 cows in Michigan with the twelve programs that are currently available. Mager lives at 6889 Gould, Saranac.

District Court Robert Fullerton paid \$24 for having no proof of insurance. Dennis D. Geldersma paid \$19 for having expired license plates.

## Hoe Down

Y'all come and join the fun of a good old fashioned hoe down. Square dance to the calls of Ed Sobie and his band at the Saranac Elementary School, Friday night, May 18, from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. Refreshments will be sold during the dance. Admission is \$1.50 for adults and \$1 for children.

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# Society Notes...

## Gospel Trio In Concert



The Couriers, a gospel and sacred music trio from Pennsylvania, will be in concert Friday, May 11, at the Lakewood High School Gym. Area ministers will have tickets available for the singing.

The Couriers, a well known singing group of gospel and sacred music, will present a musical concert Friday evening, May 11, at 7:30 p.m. at the Lakewood High School Gym on M-50.

The Couriers are a singing group from Pennsylvania who regularly sing with Danny Gal-

## Karen Stauffer To Be June Bride



Karen Kay Stauffer Engaged and planning a June 9 wedding are Karen Kay

Stauffer and Ramsey Stephen Martinez. Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Lester E. Stauffer of Lowell and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Martinez, Sr., of Austin, Texas.



Enrico Caruso, the famous operatic tenor, was superstitious and would not start trips on Tuesdays or Fridays.

## Crusade Begins At Grace Brethren

Rev. Mason Cooper, representing the Brethren Board of Evangelism, will lead a revival crusade at the Lake Odessa Grace Brethren Church from May 13 to May 20.

Married, the father of two sons, Cooper is a native of Roanoke, VA and has pastored Grace Brethren Churches in Virginia, Ohio and West Virginia.

The public is invited to attend the crusade with services beginning at 7:30 each evening. In addition, one hour morning sessions will begin at 10 a.m.

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## Potpourri...

Mrs. Frances Elizabeth Battle Dawson, whose permanent address is 11374 Dorothy, Lot 89, Lowell, has completed work on a master of arts degree in Ball State University. Air Force-sponsored graduate studies in Europe. She has a B.S. degree, awarded in 1963 by Western Michigan University.

John Hosley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Hosley, 607 N. Washington, Lowell, has been named to the Dean's List for the 1979 winter quarter at Kalamazoo College. Students must have achieved a 3.50 grade point average or higher on a 4.0 scale to be selected.

Don MacNaughton and daughter, Kay Carter of Lowell spent last week in Roswell, New Mexico visiting Cia and Kathy Avery and sons.

## UM Mom/Daughter Banquet



Jan Bailey, Sally Sterly, Nancy Huffman, Jan Shiva and Evelyn Barnes, all United Methodist Women, are getting in the mood for the UM Mother/Daughter Banquet. The theme this year is "Circus Puppets".

The Banquet will be held on Tuesday, May 8 at 6:30 p.m. Make reservations by calling the church office (897-7514) before May 7.

## Hosts Cartoonist

What do Esquire, The New Yorker, The Toledo Blade, Hallmark Cards, and this issue of the Ledger have in common? The answer is Phil Jackson, a professional cartoonist from Ludington whose name has appeared in these and many other publications across the country. Besides freelancing his activities include drawing editorial cartoons for the Toledo Blade and the Orlando Sentinel-Star and sports cartoons for the Times-Herald in Newport News, Virginia.

He is also the creator of "Drawing Time", featured in 26 U.S. newspapers, and of "Scrip-tures", published in daily and religious newspapers throughout the world.

On Wednesday, May 9, Mr. Jackson will arrive in Lowell to present a 7 p.m. program at the First Baptist Church. Jackson demonstrates his art by drawing

## Banfill, Oberlin To Wed



Tracy Lynn Banfill Mr. and Mrs. David Banfill Jr., Vergennes, Lowell, announce the engagement of their daughter, Tracy Lynn, to Dale Robert Oberlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Oberlin of Bedack, Dr. Lowell.

Miss Lake will graduate from Saranac High School in June of 1980 and is employed at Ionia Manor. Her fiancé is employed at Root-Loell Manufacturing Co. in Lowell.

A June 23 wedding is planned.

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by Pauline E. Spray

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It's fun to read humorous signs in restaurants. "Even a fish wouldn't get into trouble if she kept her mouth shut", one said. And another: "The reason a dog has so many friends is she wags her tail instead of her tongue."

Rather barbed, but these lines tell the truth, nevertheless. Whether we like to admit it or not, much of our trouble is of our own making—with words. We too often grow careless with our talk.

How many times each of us has experienced it! We told a friend a secret. It was something we expected to be kept in confidence. In no time at all our words made the rounds. Then we learned, much to our consternation and sorrow, that the one about whom we had spoken heard what we said and was hurt. As a result, we lost a friend.

If we follow closely the Golden Rule and do unto others as we wish to be done by, many tales will never be told. Like feathers scattered by the wind, words once spoken can never be recalled. We need to "watch our talk."

Prayer: Heavenly Father, remind me to watch my words today. May I not repeat anything that would bring hurt to another. Let me be an example in word and deed. Amen.

That awful Judge of quick and watchful power bestow; So shall I to my ways take heed, In all I speak or do.

# Attend Services

<p><b>ADA CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH</b>          7152 Bradford St., S.E. - 676-1698          REV. ANGUS M. MACLEOD</p> <p>Morning Worship 8:30 a.m.          Sunday School 11:00 a.m.          Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH</b>          7227 Thornapple River Dr. - 676-1032          REV. WILFRED FIET</p> <p>Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.          Sunday School 11:20 a.m.          Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>WE INVITE YOU TO MAKE THIS COMMUNITY CHURCH YOUR CHURCH HOME. WELCOME TO ALL</p>	<p><b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ALTO</b>          Corner of 60th Street &amp; Bancroft Avenue</p> <p>Sunday School 10:00 a.m.          Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.          Jr.-Sr. High Young People 6:30 p.m.          Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.          Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>REV. GEORGE L. COON          Telephone 868-6403 or 868-6912</p>	<p><b>BETHANY BIBLE CHURCH</b>          3900 East Fulton</p> <p>REV. RAYMOND E. BEFUS          9:50 a.m.          (Broadcast 10 a.m. WMAK 1480)          Morning School 11:15 a.m.          Sunday School 11:15 a.m.          Evening Service 8:00 p.m.          Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.</p>
<p><b>CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH OF LOWELL</b>          1151 West Main Street - 897-8841</p> <p>REV. RICHARD VANDEKIEFT</p> <p>Worship Service 10 a.m. &amp; 6 p.m.          Sunday School 11:15 a.m.          Supervised Nursery During All Services</p>	<p><b>CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE OF LOWELL</b>          201 North Washington Street          REV. WILLIAM F. HURT</p> <p>Church School 10:00 a.m.          Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.          Evening Service 6:00 p.m.          Wednesday Mid-Week Service          Jr., Teens, Adults 7:00 p.m.          Nursery—Come &amp; Worship With Us</p>	<p><b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL</b>          2275 West Main Street</p> <p>Sunday School 10:00 a.m.          Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.          Jr. High Youth Group 5:45 p.m.          Evening Service 7:00 p.m.          Sr. High Youth Group 8:15 p.m.          Wednesday Family Hour - 8:30 p.m.</p> <p>DR. DARRELL WILSON - 897-5300</p>	<p><b>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL</b>          (Member United Church of Christ)          North Hudson at Spring St., Lowell          897-9309</p> <p>DR. RICHARD GREENWOOD          Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.          Church School 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>(Cribbery &amp; Nursery Provided)</p>
<p><b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LOWELL</b>          621 E. Main Street - 897-7514</p> <p>Worship 8:30 &amp; 11 a.m.          Church School 9:45 a.m.</p> <p>DEAN I. BAILEY, MINISTER</p> <p>"Acquainted With Grief"          Job 3:1-13</p> <p>Child Care During All Services</p>	<p><b>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH</b>          2287 Segwun, S.E.          Lowell, Michigan</p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 a.m.          Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>MARK BUCKERT, PASTOR</p> <p>Ron Moykynen, Elder 897-9551</p>	<p><b>TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH (L.A.)</b>          2700 East Fulton Road</p> <p>Worship Service 8:30 &amp; 10:45 a.m.          Sunday Church School 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>PASTOR RAYMOND A. HEINE          Asst. Pastor          CHRISTOPHER D. ANDERSON</p> <p>Nursery Provided</p>	<p><b>LOWELL ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b>          3050 Alden Nash, S.E.          (2 miles south of Lowell)</p> <p>Sunday School 10:00 a.m.          Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.          Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.          Wednesday Family Night 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>REV. ROGER KUBILUS, PASTOR          Phone 897-7047</p> <p>Come Join Us in Worshipping In Spirit And In Truth</p>
<p><b>VILLAGE BODY SHOP</b>          Mike O'Neill, Owner          Corner of Lincoln Lake &amp; Vergennes          8:00 - 5:30 Mon. - Sat.          Ph. 897-5013</p>	<p><b>SNOW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b>          3188 Snow Avenue, S.E.          (Between 28th &amp; 36th Streets, East)          REV. ALLEN WITTRUP          942-6765</p> <p>Worship Service 10:00 a.m.          Church School 11:05 a.m.</p> <p>"Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy."          -1 Timothy 6:17</p>	<p><b>VERGENNES UNITED METHODIST</b>          Corner Parnell &amp; Bailey Drive</p> <p>Worship Service 10:00 a.m.          Coffee Hour 11:00 a.m.          Church School 11:15 a.m.</p> <p>LEE RIN STRAIT, PASTOR          "Little White Church On The Corner"</p>	



# Area Sports...

## Girls Set 6 New Track Records

Lowell's girls track team began their season this year with a 108 to 15 victory over Ionia. This victory gave the girls more confidence in themselves in achieving better times, distances and heights as they defeated Caledonia 64-59 and Cedar Springs 105-18. The Spartans were stronger in their sprints and middle distance as the Red Arrows fell by nine points.

On Saturday at the Sparta Invitational, the girls made a strong come back taking third place in overall competition and bringing home 20 ribbons and a medal.

"We have a young team this year with half the squad fresh men. Our goal this year is to break last year's records and win at least half of our confer-

## Redskins Lose Two

Strong pitching from Portland and an error filled game for Saranac spelled doom for the Redskins last Tuesday, April 24, as they lost 6-3.

Bob Conner took the loss after pitching three and a third innings. He struck out four, gave up three hits and walked four but still six runs scored. In a comedy of errors, Portland scored three times in the fourth without getting a hit.

The first man popped up while Conner walked the next. An error allowed one more runner, then a wild pitch advanced the men on base. Two more errors, a wild pitch, a walk and a throwing error from the first baseman in third allowed three runs to score.

Ted Heilman relieved Conner and shut down the Portland scoring push. He struck out two and allowed two hits.

Saranac sent two men home in the second as Conner singled. Dave Chase hit into a fielder's choice and was safe at first. He advanced to second base on a walk. Leonard Hawkins doubled to score two runs. In the third inning, Saranac filled the bases but was unable to score. In the seventh, Tim Patrick walked, went to third on Ted Heilman's double and scored on Kevin Theisen's single.

## Golfers Bow In Triangle Meet

Saranac's girls golf team suffered at the hands of both Charlotte and Ionia in a triangular match last Friday at Morris-Lake golf course.

Ionia topped Saranac 227-233 and Charlotte beat the Redskins 181-233. Charlotte also humbled Ionia 181-227.

Brenda Bignall led the Saranac team with a 54, and Mary Swiger finished with a 59. Rachelle Wolber and Karen Merrill both had 60. Polly Grives carded a 70 and Chris Gate a 72.

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**Girls Softball Now 5-0**

Saranac's girls softball team held on to its undefeated record last week with wins over Portland 4-0 and Lakeview 5-3. The Redskins are now the only undefeated team in the Tri-Central Athletic Association.

On Tuesday, April 24, Saranac girls played their best defensive game of the season against Portland, according to coach Barb Verzin. Through the first six innings, they allowed just two hits and committed only two errors.

With the score 2-1 in the fourth, Saranac scored four times and brought in another four in the fifth inning when DeAnn Eddy connected for a bases-loaded triple.

Wendy Sheldon picked up the win, striking out two, walking six and allowing just four hits. Portland allowed seven Saranac hits. Deb Stuart hit 2-3; Lori Haller hit 2-4; DeAnn Eddy had a triple; Lisa Eddy had a double and Rene Stanton, a single.

Saranac was helped by 12 walks and five Portland errors while committing five errors of their own and allowing only six walks.

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In the Lakeview meet on Friday, Tammy Hardy was top bat for Saranac hitting 2-3 including a double.

Saranac's big inning came in the sixth as Wendy Sheldon, Hollene Opydke and Rene Stanton picked up hits and the Lakeview pitcher walked two other batters to score two runs and seal the win for the Redskins. The Redskins scored once in the first, third and fifth and twice in the sixth.

Saranac had five runs on five hits with two errors while Lakeview had three runs on four hits and three errors. Wendy Sheldon pitched four and a third innings, walking two and fanning three. She was relieved by Rene Stanton who completed the game.

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**ten years ago**  
The Lowell City Council is informed by its engineers, Williams and Works, that the proposed new storm drain system for the city will cost nearly two million dollars. Monies for the project are to come from the county drain commission and are then to be replaced by special assessments to affected property owners.

A large ad placed by the Dok Realty Company offered new Valley Vista homes for \$200 down, and \$85 per month including taxes and insurance. It's safe to say that those days are gone forever.

Milton Berle is announced as the headliner for the 1969 Lowell Showboat.

**twenty years ago**  
Over 100 Lowell second grade students ride the Grand Trunk Western to Ionia. It is the last passenger train to stop in Lowell.

Over two hundred dollars are stolen during a break-in at the Michigan Bottled Gas Co. west of Lowell.

Thirteen Lowell youths are fined by the Justice of the Peace for breaking into the Sportsman Club north of Lowell following a drinking party. The school board also got into the act and barred all of the boys from any school functions for the remainder of the year.

Lowell Superintendent of Schools Walter Gummer warns of payless paydays within the next few weeks if the state does not come across with funds earmarked for the Lowell district.

**thirty years ago**  
Orlo J. Yeiter, a prominent businessman for 25 years and village president of Lowell for eight years, dies at 59 after a short bout with pneumonia.

The Lowell Board of Trade opened its fiscal year boasting 142 members in the organization.

A 1/4 horsepower Toro power mower was \$99.50 at Wittenbach Sales and Service. Compare that price with the price of a power mower today and then compare those thirty years ago food prices with those of today, and that power mower was really expensive thirty years ago.

**forty years ago**  
The Main Street drinking fountains were turned on this week.

While working on a sewer project on Division Ave. just north of the Methodist Church, Lawrence Bieri and James Gaunt discover a human skeleton buried about 6 1/2 feet deep. The well preserved skeleton is thought to be that of an Indian male buried many years ago as no clothing or other artifacts are found with it.

Worn tires and a blowout are thought to be the cause of a double fatality auto accident on M-21 near Lowell. The occupants of both cars were from out of the area.

**fifty years ago**  
After studying Lowell's electric power problems, an engineer from Wisconsin recommends the construction of a new power dam on the Flat River at a cost of \$65,000. The engineer says that the old dam near White's Bridge is near collapse and that it could still be used as a coffer dam if a new dam were built below it immediately.

A resolution making May 13 as election day to vote on a \$65,000 bond issue for the purpose of constructing the new dam is set by the village council.

The sixteen-room Hotel Lowell has been completely redecorated and renovated and has been reopened by Harry Holland.

**To Study By-Law Changes**

The Lowell Masonic Lodge held its first communication April 8, 1856, under Dispensation. A Charter was granted the lodge Jan. 16, 1857. To quote from "Lowell: 100 Years of History": "For being the most perfect in the ritualistic work of any lodge in the State regardless of size or location."

Over the years there have been many changes. In 10, 1871, Hooker Chapter No. 73 Royal Arch Masons were added and in November, 1892, Cyclopaemen Chapter No. 94 of the Order of Eastern Star was instituted. Representatives of these organizations make up the Lowell Masonic Association.

It has become necessary to make changes in the lodge By-Laws to bring them up to date. The most recent were printed in 1965. The present W.M. Cecil Derushia, called a meeting recently of the line officers to discuss what changes should be made to bring the By-Laws up to date.

These changes will be presented at the May 8, regular meeting. Mrs. James Sherman, members be present to consider the proposed changes.

**DEMAND FOR MICHIGAN ASPARAGUS UP**

Asparagus fans, who are growing in number, can look for a readily available supply of the 1979 crop by about May 10. This year's crop looks excellent and prices to growers and to consumers will remain approximately the same as last year. It is expected that Michigan will pick about 20 to 25 percent of the nation's total crop.

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**WCs Hold County Meet**

The Kent County Federation of Womens Clubs met April 18 at 9:30 a.m. for registration at the United Methodist Church in Caledonia.

County President Mrs. Harry Richmond of Lowell opened the meeting. Mrs. James Sherman, president of the Caledonia Womens Club, welcomed all the members. Rev. Adam Chrowski of Caledonia United Methodist Church gave the invocation.

Out-morning speaker, Dr. Graff, professor of history at Aquinas College, gave a talk on China, the United States and Taiwan.

The meeting continued with each club president giving a detailed report of their club's activities, with Mrs. Sherman of Caledonia, Mrs. R. Peters of Casnovia, Mrs. D. Koster of Cedar Springs, Mrs. C. Edgerly of Grand Rapids, Mrs. E. Roberts of Kent City, Mrs. A. Petersen of Rockford and Mrs. E. Randall of Lowell. The club members attending from Lowell were Mrs. Fox, Mrs. Nowak, Mrs. Richmond, Mrs. C. Kropf, Mrs. Tichelaar, Mrs. Watts, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Schmitt, Mrs. Leeman and Mrs. A. Kropf.

President Mrs. Harry Richmond announced that 67 ladies had signed the register. County treasurer Mrs. Val Watts gave a

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## Julia Lazarus Weds Michael Wells



Mr. and Mrs. Michael D. Wells

and chapel train. The new Mrs. Wells carried white orchids, red roses and baby's breath.

Parents of the bride are Howard and Carol Ardis of 5762 Nicklepine Rd., Ionia, and Clifford Lazarus Jr. The groom's parents are Wayne and Sharon Wells, 6669 Gould Rd., Saranac.

Maid of Honor was Luann Wybenga with Karis Barclay, Brenda Wells, Ruth Lazarus and Joy Lazarus attending. Owen Waterfield was Best Man and the groom's attendants were Ed Penstock, Jeff Goodwin, Ray Gordon and Donald Ardis. Steve Lazarus and David Nordoff ushered.

Ruth and Willard Barclay were Master and Mistress of Ceremonies at the late afternoon reception at Knights of Columbus Hall.

After a week-long honeymoon trip to Florida, Mr. and Mrs. Wells will reside at 4695 1/2 N. Breton Ct., Kentwood. Both are employed by Steelcase of Grand Rapids.

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## New Duds On The Family Tree

Allan Jay is the newborn son of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Raimer of Lowell. Born April 26, he weighed 8 lbs., 14 oz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jay Swiger of Clarksville and George Raimer of Lowell.

Dr. and Mrs. Steve Myers of Newberry are parents of a baby girl, Rebecca Ann, born April 23. She weighed 8 lbs., 12 oz. and was 21 inches long. Still in the neonatal unit, Jill will join her folks in a week. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smith of Lowell and Mr. and Mrs. Basil Rhines of Saginaw.





# if it fitz'

By Jim Fitzgerald

The middle-aged son brought his mother violets for Easter. She wanted something else.

Actually, the violets were just an excuse for a visit that wasn't supposed to be made. The son wasn't scheduled to see his mother on Easter.

His large family is scattered across several cities and there's usually no way all the members can attend the same holiday party. Most often, a few relatives get together in one town, and a few others, in other towns, and after dinner they all phone each other in memory of a departed uncle who worked for Michigan Bell.

For this Easter, the son and his mother were slated to eat ham in different towns. It shouldn't have made any difference to them. She wouldn't be alone on the important day, he had seen her the week before Easter, and he would see her again the week after.

And besides, as his wife reminded him, he has always claimed a day isn't special simply because the calendar says it's supposed to be special. When his wife says they have to be with their grandchildren on Dec. 25, he in-sists Christmas is just as much fun on Dec. 27.

"The day you open the presents is Christmas, and they say you're locked out of the bank is Washington's birthday. It doesn't matter what the calendar says," the middle-aged son always growls. "A man brave enough to stretch tradition can avoid a lot of traffic by going on a Labor Day picnic in the middle of August."

His wife's misadventure is unsatisfactory. So how could he explain his compulsion to see his mother on Easter, even though he had a date to dine with other relatives many miles away from her? He tried flowers.

"Every son should give his mother flowers for Easter," he announced, rather stiffly. He went out and bought a dinky pot of African violets. He would have made a grander purchase but he knew his mother had already received a huge Easter lily and other flowers from his sisters. There wasn't room for another big plant on the window sill of her little room in the nursing home.

Why not have a flower shop deliver the violets? The middle-aged son didn't answer that question. But he did make a compromise against the calendar.

He decided it really wasn't necessary to see his mother on Easter. He took the violets and drove to his old home-town the afternoon before Easter.

At the nursing home, he went directly to the recreation room where Easter mass was being said. Sunday mass is always a day early here, and it was the high point of every week for his mother. Her wheelchair was always in the same place, close to the makeshift altar. But on this Saturday, she wasn't there.

On his hurried way to his mother's room, the son talked to a nurse. He learned his mother had suddenly become very ill, while he was driving to visit her.

She had been blind and weak for many months, but she had been able to visit her children, and to enjoy picnic cocktail parties when they visited her. She had been his mother for over 50 years and he hadn't yet thought much about losing her.

He thought about it now. His mother was barely conscious. Her little sister (only 77) was at her side, as always.

"Boy, you must really be sick if you missed Easter mass," the middle-aged son said. "I hope the new Pope is an understanding man."

She smiled. Perhaps she didn't really hear her son's lousy joke, but he hopes she did.

He held the little violets under her nose, and asked if she could smell them. She didn't answer, ever.

It turned out that the son did see his mother on Easter Sunday. He saw her when she was transferred to a nearby hospital, and tubes were inserted into her arms and nose. He watched while she struggled to breathe, and the time between each breath grew longer and longer.

Early Easter morning, the mother died.

The middle-aged son isn't sad. He is grateful for whatever force compelled him to make an uncharacteristic visit to his mother. He is grateful for her, she was a marvelous mother. He is also grateful that she got more than violets for Easter.

What the mother really wanted was to die, and she often said so. The last year was rough on a beautiful lady who always loved to dance but could no longer see to walk. She was ready to leave. It hurts to let go, but it's a mistake to hang on too long. The middle-aged son's ache will last much longer than the violets, but it's a nice ache that reminds him of how much his mother loved him, and how much he loved her.

### Slow-pitch Turkey Needs Teams

Plans are being finalized for the Berger-Houghton Slow Pitch Softball Tournament to be held in Ionia on May 11, 12 and 13. There is still time for teams to enter, according to Mike Fuller, one of the organizers.

The event is a 24-team double elimination tournament. For information on sign-up and entry fee, call Fuller in Ionia at 527-4800.

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### CITY OF LOWELL

## Public Notice

The Lowell City Council will hold a Work-Study session immediately after the regular council meeting to be held Monday, **May 7, 1979** at 8:00 p.m. in the Lowell City Hall, 301 E. Main Street.

The purpose of this session will be to continue discussions on the 1979-80 Fiscal Year Budget.

Ray Guada, City Clerk

### LOWELL OUTDOOR EDUCATION

### Legal Notices...

**PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING**  
State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Kent

**ESTATE OF JASON RICHARD SMITH, MINKING**  
File No. 133776

**TAKE NOTICE:** On May 21, 1979, at 10:00 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom, Grand Rapids, Michigan, before the Hon. A. Dale Stoppels, Judge Probate, a hearing will be held on the petition of Sandra L. Jaarsma for appointment of Frances Jaarsma of 4150 Kings Row Cr. N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49504, as guardian of said minor for the purpose of con-

senting to adoption of said minor.  
Dated: April 24, 1979  
Fruitwater, Oostichaven, DeBoer & Barnhart, P.C., Attorneys for Petitioner: By: Robert J. DeBoer 1125 W. Main St. Lowell, MI Phone (616) 897-9218

Sandra L. Jaarsma Petitioner  
4230 Richmond N.W. Grand Rapids, MI 49504

### NOTICE TO THE CITY OF LOWELL STORM SEWER INSTALLMENTS

On May 1, 1979, a 6% penalty will be added to all unpaid 8th installments, which were due on Sept. 1, 1978. After May 15, 1978, all remaining unpaid installments will be certified for collection and will become a part of the 1979 City Tax Roll.

Patricia L. Smith, City Treasurer

## REGISTRATION NOTICE

For Annual School Election June 11, 1979

NOTICE OF THE LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS, COUNTIES OF KENT AND IONIA, STATE OF MICHIGAN

### LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION

May 14, 1979

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK(S) OR CITY CLERK TO VOTE IS

### May 14, 1979

PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5:00 O'CLOCK P.M., ON SAID DAY NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE.

PERSONS PLANNING TO REGISTER MUST DETERMINE WHEN THE CITY AND TOWNSHIP CLERK(S) OFFICES WILL BE OPEN FOR REGISTRATION.

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education of Lowell Area Schools, Counties of Kent and Ionia, Michigan.  
Dated: May 2, 1979.

Orion Thaler, Secretary, Board of Education

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### PERSONAL

**PLAINWELL 10,000** - Miter Run, July 29, 1979. Application from Plainwell Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 95, Plainwell, MI 49080. p24-34

**JACKPOT BINGO** - Every Friday night, 7:30 p.m. Lowell VFW Hall, East Main St. Lowell. Early Bird Bingo at 7 p.m. Public welcome. c25

**DI** - "Junking" is a good way to spend a drizzly Saturday; Who'd think it was medicine, too? Thanks -Marble Mom. c24-28

**CHEESENOSE** - Serves you right for whumping us at regals. Waiting with dread for reprisals. -Just Kiddling? c24-28

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**LARGE GARAGE SALE**  
May 3, 4, 5, Thurs. & Fri. 9-9, Sat. 9-5 1/2 mile north of M-50 at 12430 Bell Rd., 3rd house on east side of road, Clarksville area. Dishes, draperies, curtains, recliner, hanging lamps, table lamps, large hanging planter, pots and pans, kitchen table, canister sets, bread box, punch bowl and other handmade items, knicknacks, children's games and toys, paperback books-25c, Avon, jewelry, bedspreads, teddy bears, clothing, misses 10-18, juniors 7-13, men's, boy's, infants and maternity clothes, sweaters, coats, shoes, other items too numerous to mention. Free coffee and cookies. c25

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**LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL** - Class of 1952 is planning a class reunion for Aug. 11, 1979 at Deer Run Golf Club. Anyone with address information of former class members, please call 866-7257 or 897-8742. p25

**WANTED TO RENT** - Small 2 bedroom home on duplex. Call after 7 p.m. 453-4178. c21-29

**GSXC STUDENTS** Interested in car pooling, day or evening. Call Dave, 897-8748. Ne-f

**FOR SALE**

**SOFA SLEEPER** - Factory discontinued covers, were \$299, now \$199, \$10 monthly payments. King of Discounts, 1100 Leonard NW, Grand Rapids, 456-1787. Week nights til 9. c23

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### Shearer In Top 10 Of Pinewood Derby

The Pinewood Derby Run-off of the West Michigan Shores Council IOKEMO District East was held last Saturday with 41 area Cub Scouts competing. The annual race was hosted by Montcalm Community College and the track used was on loan from Pack 3102 of Lowell. The track is especially fast and is equipped with an electric photo cell finish indicator, accurate to within a millionth of a second, according to designer-builder Jim Shearer of Ada.

Shearer is Cubmaster for Pack 3102 of Lowell. First place finish trophy went to Brett Papendick of Pack 3078 of Edmore. Finishing in the top ten was Jim Shearer of Pack 3102 of Lowell.



The art of knitting is said to have originated in Scotland.

### Tourney Fever Returns



Participants in last year's Gus Macker Three-On-Three Basketball Tournament are (L. to R.): Tom Kempler, Tom LaMonda, Jim Doyle, Mike Dey, Chris Briggs and Mark Smith.

Just because the winter is finally over, it is not the end of oastball season in Lowell. Plans are being made for the sixth annual Gus Macker Three-on-Three Basketball Tournament.

This year's outdoor basketball event, sponsored by the Grand Rapids Press and the Lowell YMCA, promises to be bigger

and better than ever. Everyone from local enthusiasts to college "stars" are expected to participate in the event to be held July 14-15 at the "Macker Stadium" in Lowell (521 Elizabeth).

Promoters of the event are looking for participants. There are always plenty of spectators. To get involved call 897-8146 for more information.

### MSU Alums Plans Outing

Michigan State University Kent and Ottawa Counties Alumni Club is hosting its Annual Golf Stag on Monday, May 21, at Green Ridge Country Club, Green Ridge, N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan. Golf will begin at 1 p.m. with a shotgun tee-off. From 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., the NCAA championship basketball game between MSU and Indiana State will be replayed. Dinner will be at 7:30 p.m.

Many guests from MSU will be in attendance, including football coach Darryl Rogers and his staff, Athletic Director Joe Kearney, and other representatives from the Athletic

Department and Alumni Association.

There will be door prizes, golf prizes, etc. All alumni and guests are welcome. Reservations should be mailed to Lody Zwarensteyn, 2169 Timberwood, SE, Grand Rapids, MI. If there are any questions, please call 455-6123.



Sunflower seeds are a good source of protein.

### Job Training At GRJC

Grand Rapids Junior College has 85 openings in a federally funded job training program for eligible persons from Kent, Ionia, Montcalm and Allegan counties.

The twelve to fifteen month long training programs include diesel mechanics, industrial truck mechanics (fork lifts, etc.), furniture manufacturing skills and computer programming, which will be offered at JC's Occupational Training Center. Classes in farm equipment mechanics will be available at the new Montcalm area Vocational Center in Sidney, Michigan.

College officials say the Skill Training Improvement Program will provide advanced skill training to help participants qualify for jobs in occupational areas that are in demand in the four county area.

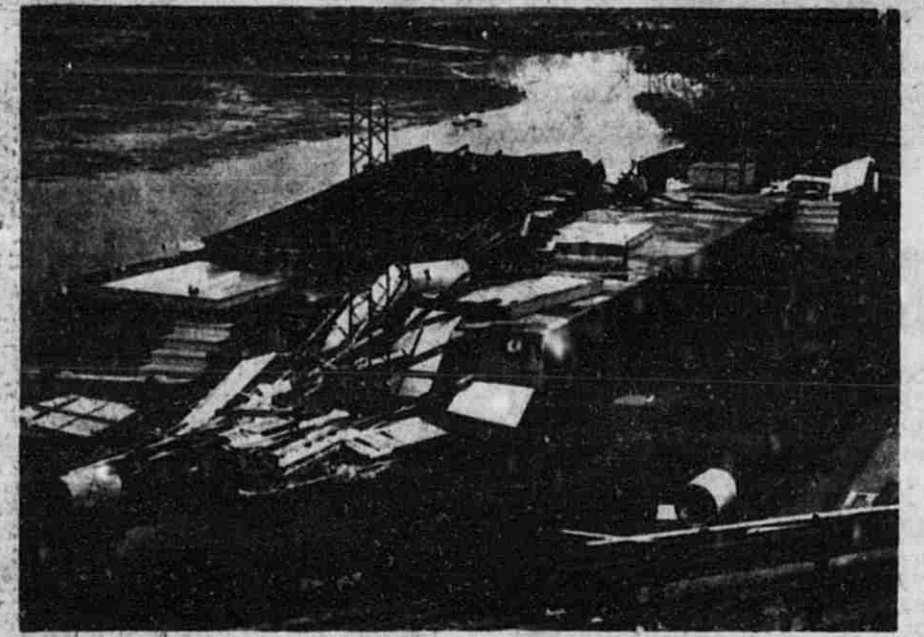
"This program will show that additional training time will result in additional wages and related improvement for program graduates," Shroll predicted.

The federally funded CETA program requires students to attend classes 40 hours a week as in a typical working situation. While in the program, they will receive a training allowance, plus travel reimbursement. Other funds are available to take care of medical, dental or legal emergencies.

Persons interested in the program can telephone the Grand Rapids Junior College Occupational Training Center, 1234 Ball Street, N.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan at (616) 456-4013 for more information.

Applications will be taken at the Center between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Friday. Applicants should expect to stay approximately two hours on the first visit for assessment and interviews. If CETA eligible, applicants may be asked to return for two additional interviews before final selection is made.

## PROGRESS UPDATE



A great deal has been said in the Ledger and in the coffee shops over the past several months concerning the new Showboat. But, not much has been said about the amphitheatre and the wreck of the old Showboat.

The City of Lowell has spoken for the materials in the deck of the old boat. They are in the process of dismantling it and will use the lumber to build a storage bin for road salt.

A buyer is due this week to look over the old 55 gallon drums and purchase the ones in better condition. Those that are left, will be made available to anyone who wants them for trash barrels, etc.

A volunteer work day to clean up what remains of the mess and repair damage, is being planned to take place in the next few weeks. Watch the Ledger for details.

### Girl Scouts Invade Woodland Mall

Michigan Trails Girl Scout's will hold their Council Event, "A Little Love Makes The Difference", May 3-5, 1979 at Woodland Mall.

One hundred and forty-two troops from Kent, Ottawa, Montcalm, Ionia, Osceola, Meosota Counties and Middleville area will be participating with displays and stage presentations celebrating the International Year of the Child.

The festivities will begin Thursday, May 3 at 7 p.m. and

continue through Saturday, May 5 at 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, beginning at 10 p.m. the Girl Scout children and adults who have participated will take part in a giant slumber party held in the Mall. The girls will be enjoying a variety of activities, of which sleeping will be the least popular. Rockin Ray from WGRD will spin the re-

records and Lisa Warren from South Kent Community Education will be giving Disco lessons. Throughout the "overnight" door prizes donated by the Woodland Mall merchants will be given to the Girl Scouts. More surprises and much fun is planned for all.

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### Study Ranks Michigan Last In Business Climate

Michigan is the least attractive state among the 48 contiguous states in which to expand or locate a business, according to a new study on the comparative business climates of the

states, released today by the Conference of State Manufacturing Associations.

Citing the study, John G. Thodis, President of the Michigan Manufacturers Association, identified the workers' compensation and unemployment compensation systems as two major factors contributing to Michigan's last-place finish.

Other key factors leading to Michigan's poor showing were low rankings in state and local taxes per capita, average weekly manufacturing wage, labor union membership as a percentage of total labor, and days lost from work stoppages as compared to number of workers.

"What concerns us is that this study will be used against us by other states to lure business away from Michigan," Thodis said.

"We who live and work in this state know of its unmatched vitality and muscle as an industrial center. Unless we begin now to take steps to eliminate the heavy burdens placed on manufacturing and businesses in Michigan, we can only look forward to continued erosion of our competitive position among the other states," he said.

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