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## Seven Vie For Council Seats

Lowell voters will have a chance to narrow down the field of candidates seeking seats on the Lowell City Council. On Tuesday, September 11, a primary election will be held to select six candidates for the November 13 general election in which three vacant seats will be filled. Seven candidates are in the race, necessitating the primary.

Polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. with precinct one voting at Runciman Elementary School and precinct two voting at Bushnell Elementary School.

The following are the candidates slated for the September 11 primary.



Robert Christiansen

Robert Christiansen has been a resident of Lowell for 49 years and currently resides at 2535 Gee Dr. with his wife, Jackie. Bob has been a sales engineer for the H.H. Barnum Co. for twelve years. The company manufactures instrumentation and controls.

Bob has been a Councilman for the past four years, served as Mayor, and is the only incumbent on the ballot. Bob feels that he is a highly qualified candidate for council not only because of his past experience,

but also because he has a genuine interest in the community.

Donald MacNaughton resides at 1011 N. Hudson with his wife Marguerite and has lived in Lowell all of his life. Having recently retired, Don feels that he now has the time to devote to being a Councilman.

Don worked 37 years as a printer and foreman for the Lowell Ledger and during that time kept himself pretty much "on-top" of the workings of the city council. Since that time he



Donald MacNaughton

has continued to be interested in the city's progress. Don feels that if elected, he will be able to make a contribution toward solving some pressing problems in the near future. Don also says that he will take a hard look to insure that public funds are wisely spent.

James Maatman owns and operates three professional photo studios with his partner Roger VanVleck, one of which is Modern Photographics located at 104 W. Main St., Lowell. Jim and his wife Cathy reside at 118 N. Hudson.

Jim is a graduate of Hope College, and taught in the Saranac School System for five years before taking up his career in photography in 1976.

its people and would be able to represent their interests on the issues that come before the City Council.

M. Jack Fonger is a retired postman and local businessman. He served as a Councilman in the 50's and also served on the Lowell Light and Power Board as an appointee in the 60's. He is a past president of the Lowell Board of Trade now known as the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce.



M. Jack Fonger

Jack has a continuing interest in the Lowell city affairs and feels that he has ample time to devote himself to the best interests of the city and its citizens.

Jack resides at 611 N. Washington.

Bobbie L. Adams resides at 926 E. Main with his wife and two children. Bobbie is a retired U.S. Marshall and has lived in Lowell for three years. If elect-



James Maatman

Jim says that he finds Lowell an ideal place to live and raise a family and would like to help continue this tradition and have a hand in the future growth of the city.

Gordon Gould resides at 560 Shepard Drive and has lived and worked in the Lowell area for the past 20 years. Gordy is known by many in the community as Mr. Interlocutor on the Lowell Showboat, but his occupation is that of a counselor at the Lowell High School.



Gordon Gould

Gordy says that his reasons for running for the City Council are many and varied, but primarily he wishes to be of service to the residents of the city. He feels that he knows the area and



Bobbie Adams

ed, Bobbie pledges to work hard and diligently with the Mayor, City Manager and other members of the Council in the affairs that come before it.

Phil Schneider resides at 950 Riverside Dr. with his wife Marian. Phil operates his insurance business out of the Peter Speerstra Agency at 155 W. Main, Lowell.



Phillip Schneider, Jr.

Phil simply states that he feels that he can be an effective Councilman and is running for the office because of his interest in the city.

## First Time In Lowell System

# Teachers Strike!



Lowell Education Association's negotiating team proclaims their availability to negotiate with this huge sign. Looks like they will have to wait for a State mediator to arrive before the Board will agree to any further talks. Pictured are, L-R: Gail Lycos, Lillian Stoner, Gary Rivers, Gwen Eakes, Margaret Hoats and Tim Hawkins.

Lowell's 3,100 students and their parents listened with dismay to reports early Tuesday morning that school would not begin as scheduled. Spanking new school duds were put back

in the drawer until the teachers and the school board can get the contract ironed out. It will evidently take a mediator from the State Department of Labor to smooth out the wrinkles this year. A mediator assigned by the State will meet separately in confidential talks with both bargaining teams to try to break the stalemate that arose on Wednesday of last week.

Last Tuesday, the Board of Education made its "last, best offer" which was unacceptable

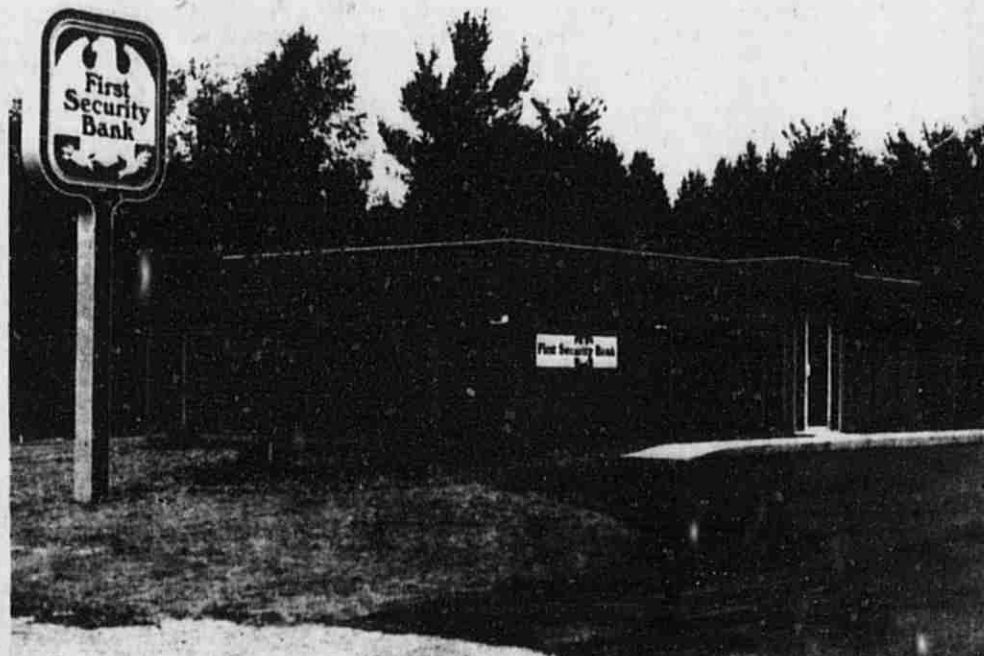
## First Security Bank Branch Nears Opening

First Security Bank will open a new banking office in Lowell on Monday, September 10. Lowell becomes the sixth community served by the Ionia-based bank which also operates offices in Belding, Saranac, Lyons-Muir and Carson City.

The new bank is located at 11947 East Fulton Street next to the Harold Zeigler Ford Dealership.

Clare Colwell, who has been a Loan Officer in the bank's Main Office, has been appointed manager of the new office. Colwell has been with the bank for two years and previously was employed by a consumer finance company. To insure a smooth start-up period, all the initial staff at the new office will be transferred from other offices of the bank.

Harry R. Larkin, the bank's Chief Executive Officer, told of his organization's pleasure at



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Clare Colwell has been appointed manager of the newest branch of First Security Bank in Lowell. He has been a Loan Officer in the bank's Main Office.

being authorized by the State of Michigan to serve the Lowell area. "We are looking forward to becoming an important part of the community in Lowell. Our bank has the size and depth of management that will permit us to serve the banking requirements of any business in the area. We have an excellent track record of providing quality service to our retail customers in each of the markets we serve. As a result, we think we will add a new dimension to the Lowell area business community. We are pleased to be here—and we hope that the residents and business people of the area will also be pleased that we have come."

The new bank will provide a full range of services except safe deposit box rentals. The bank's lobby will be open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. On Fridays, lobby



### VOTE!!!

Remember to vote in the citywide Primary Election on Tuesday, September 11 between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. There are seven candidates to be narrowed to six for the November election. Three seats on City Council need to be filled. See the election story this issue for the candidates' statements and background.

### NEW SERVICE

Bill Ellison has announced he will be operating the new wrecker service available from Thomet Chevrolet, to be called (appropriately) Thomet Wrecker Service. On call 24 hours, the wrecker has a 12 ton capacity. Ellison would like all his old customers to know he welcomes their business and will offer the same courteous and complete service to all his new customers as well.

### YOUTH FOOTBALL

Final days to sign up for the Lowell Youth Football program will be today, Wednesday, and tomorrow, Sept. 5-6 from 5 to 7 p.m. Youths 8 years old by September 1 through 13 year olds under 140 lbs. may sign up at the baseball field between the High School and Bushnell Elementary. There is a \$7 registration fee, and each youth must have proof of his birthdate and both parents' signatures.

### TV BOWL

Now through September 23 area bowlers may qualify for the WOTV Channel 8 Bowling Classic at the American Legion Lanes, 805 E. Main St. Bowlers may qualify on Friday and Saturday nights after 7 p.m. by making reservations. Call 897-7566 or 642-6430 to get in on the action.

### OFF THE BLOTTER

Floyd Sheldon of Grand Rapids was slightly injured in an accident on Monday, August 27, when he braked to miss striking two dogs in the roadway and was unable to avoid hitting a vehicle driven by Dora Shont of Lowell. The accident occurred on Alden Nash one half mile north of 36th Street. Ms. Shont incurred major injuries, was transported to Blodgett Hospital by Arrow Ambulance and was admitted. Lowell Rescue and Kent County Sheriff's Dept. responded.

Citations were issued to Roger Cahoon and Gregory Janeschek to appear in 63rd District Court for having an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle. Also issued a citation for larceny under \$100 was Robert Dykstra in an alleged shoplifting incident in Lipperts Pharmacy on Monday evening, Aug. 27.

Involved in a property damage accident on Thursday evening, Aug. 30, was Margaret Peckham when she backed her car into another in the city parking lot on East Main. Phillip Dibble backed his car into a parked vehicle on East Main near Jefferson on Monday, Aug. 27. Robert Morgan of Crystal, MI backed his truck across the C&O railroad crossing on S. Water Street and was struck by a slow-moving train Thursday afternoon, Aug. 30.

Arrested for driving while under the influence of alcohol and driving while license was suspended was Wayne Bishop of Grand Rapids after the car he was driving struck a tree on S. Jefferson Thursday evening, Aug. 30. Bishop was not injured.

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# Food Alone Is Great Reason To Visit Fallasburg Fall Festival

CAUTION: If you are on a diet, this article could be injurious to your resolve. The Fallasburg Fall Festival is only a few weeks away and plans for all the different hot and homemade foods are being finalized. The 11th annual Fallasburg Fall Festival will be held on Saturday and Sunday, September 29-30, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Fallasburg County Park.



The ladies of the Vergennes United Methodist Church served their homemade beans steaming from their special 5-foot skillet during last year's Fallasburg Fall Festival.

brother club and will grill their famous half-chickens, which will be served with cole slaw, rolls, and coffee.

The marvelous meals and snacks for this family event make browsing among the artists' works a pleasure. Forty artists have been accepted to exhibit their art, including a delicate hand knit lace tablecloth from the needles of Dolores Dey. Raffle tickets can be purchased from members of the Lowell Area Arts Council, co-sponsors of the festival, or from That Special Place or the Grand Valley Ledger.

A popular repeat item will be the delicious pie served by the Ladies of the Moose.

Finally, no fall festival would be complete without cider and donuts. These will be provided by Festival co-sponsor, The West Central Michigan Historical Society.

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Come rain or shine, the 11th annual Fallasburg Fall Festival promises to be bigger and better than ever before.

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By Roger Brown

With school starting today (bearing a teacher strike), teens and I will have to tighten up on some of the rules around here regarding the kids.

With summer over, there will be no more bedtime, more regular baths, and more attention paid to all the numbers, etc.

The old adage, "rules are made to be broken," applies specifically to four and five year olds, such as Casey's angle. This is especially true when it comes to bedtime.

My kids, as are kids everywhere, are experts at getting to bed on time to the latest possible minute. Angie invariably forgets to bring her stuffed monkey up to bed, and after being all tucked in, announces that she has to go downstairs after him. Casey almost always needs a drink of water or has to brush his teeth after being tucked in.

They have dozens and dozens of excuses that have been tried and tested over the years, but every now and then, they come up with a new one.

A good example of this happened last week, when Casey dumped his 100 piece "Daffy Duck" jigsaw puzzle in front of me at about five minutes until bedtime.

Both time is another problem, or at least it can be. Sometimes the little munchkins shock the pants off from me by actually wanting to take a bath.

However, bath time is usually an endless stream of excuses followed by kicking and screaming. I'm sure that in the summer with the windows open, the neighbors must think we're torturing kids when they get their hair shampooed.

Both time for the kids has become twice as time consuming as it used to be. I can no longer plunk the two of them in the tub, scrub them down, dry them off, and be done with it.

Angie now prefers, in fact insists on, taking a shower and Casey will have no part of one. Now I have to go through the arguing process twice.

We're fortunate in the fact that our kids enjoy working with letters and numbers and other activities connected with the early learning process.

So, getting them to work with their crayons, etc., is no problem unless Mork and Minda, Happy Days, Laverne and Shirley, or some other intriguing and educational program is on the TV.

Let's get to believe that these excuses will have to taper off. They've got thirteen years of school ahead of them and they'll certainly run out of material for new excuses after a while, and the old ones will be so worn that they'll be worthless.

But I'm probably wrong.

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**LAAC Plans "Catch-up Meeting"**

Members of the Lowell Area Arts Council will exchange the general meeting format for an adult hayride as its first get-together of the organization's working year. The hayride will be Saturday, Sept. 15 at 8 p.m. at Shady Acres Farm.

Because of the press for planning the Fallasburg Fall Festival there will be some informal discussion of the event and other business. The main topic of the evening, however, will be catching up with members who have scattered over the summer months. Cost of the Hay (Hay, Where Are You) ride is \$3.50 each and includes a lunch. Reservations must be made with Dede Day at 897-8545 or 897-9939 by Sept. 12.

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## New Showboat Officers

New officers for the Lowell Showboat Corp. were elected at a meeting of the Board of Directors on Wednesday, Aug. 30. Chuck Lippert presented the Board with his letter of resignation from the presidency at the meeting.

Jim Hall was elected President, Ron Holst is the new Vice-President. Keith Caldwell continues as Treasurer and Pat Smith is the new Secretary of the organization. Three vacant seats on the Board will be filled in the near future.

Lippert told the Board that he was resigning with mixed emotions but said he was proud of the Showboat's progress in recent years. He cited the renovation of the amphitheater, highlighted by the dedication by Jerry Ford, and the new boat built this year as special reasons for feeling proud to have been

part of the Showboat. "I feel the greatest accomplishment has been the ability to bring the community together in these efforts and that is, after all, what Showboat is all about," he said.

Lippert made several recommendations to the Board regarding the future and concluded by saying, "I am deeply honored to have been a part of the Showboat Corporation... I think it is time for new leadership and I wish our new leaders all the best of luck."

Treasurer Keith Caldwell reported a net profit of approximately \$5,500 with several bills still outstanding for Showboat 1979. New by-laws for the organization will be ready for the Board to discuss sometime this fall.

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## Women's Club Starts Season With Luncheon

The Womens Club of Lowell will begin their 1979-80 season Wednesday, September 12 with a luncheon at 12 noon in the lounge of the Schneider Manor on Bowes Road. Please bring your own table service.

The hostess, Mrs. Lynn Johnson and her committee of the Club officers, Mrs. Randall, Mrs. Harding, Mrs. Tichelaar, Mrs. Pasanen, Mrs. Connell, Mrs. Schutt, Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Notewar, Mrs. Yates, Mrs. Richmond, Mrs. Schroeder, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Fox and Mrs. Denny, will furnish and serve the luncheon.

The Club will meet again this season in the beautiful Schneider Manor, thanks to the co-operation of the Schneider Manor Board.

The payment of the annual dues is expected at this time, and then the yearly program book will be given to each member.

Our President Mrs. Randall has arranged for our County Commissioner to be on hand to speak to us. Fall elections will soon be here and we all like to receive as much information as we can.

We look forward to a great year and hope to see all members present at this fall luncheon.

Obituaries...

**CLARK** - Jennie E. Clark, aged 67, of Lowell, passed away Thursday, Aug. 30, in Butterworth Hospital.

She is survived by her husband, Herbert; five children, Ronald of Lowell, Mrs. Paul (Carol) Brodbeck of Woodland, Mrs. Elwin (Sally) Teadt of Auburndale, Fla., Mrs. Ted (Sandra) Teadt of Mesa, Ariz., and Linda of Grand Rapids; 18 grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Saturday at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Rev. Gerald R. Bates officiating, Interment Oakwood Cemetery.

**BIERI** - Kenneth L. Bieri, aged 53, of 846 Lincoln Lake NE, passed away Friday, Aug. 31, at St. Mary's Hospital.

He is survived by his wife Donna, Father Oswald Bieri; children, Joel Alan, Susan Marie, Marcia Ann and Chris Jon; brothers, Richard and Ronnie of Lowell and Paul of Hopington, MA; sister, Mrs. Paul (Lois) Foss of Alto; also several nieces and nephews.

The funeral service was held Tuesday at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Rev. Gerald R. Bates of the First United Methodist Church of the St. Mary's Kidney Fund.

**VERBURG** - Ray C. Verburg, aged 91, passed away Wednesday morning, August 29. He is survived by a son, Joseph R. Verburg of Arcadia.

Services will be held Thursday at the West Berlin Wesleyan Church with the Rev. Alvin Barker and Pastor Kenneth Hill officiating.

Burial was in Lakeside Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the West Berlin Wesleyan Church.

**Board Meets Monday**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education for Lowell Area Schools will be held on Monday, September 10, at 7:30 p.m. in the Board offices at the Middle School.

Agenda for the meeting is: 1. Enrollment figures; 2. Student Handbook adoption; 3. Teacher resignations; 4. New teacher contracts.

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## New Buds On The Family Tree

Scott and Rose Rollins wish to announce the birth of a daughter, Elizabeth Desires on Monday, Sept. 3, 1979, weighing 7 lb., 7 oz. Grandparents are George and Janet Rollins of Lowell and Joe and Mary Ann Bobko of Puroil.

Jim and Teresa (Hale) Farley are happy to announce the birth of Michael James on Monday, Aug. 27 at St. Mary's Hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Art Farley, and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hale, both of Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. James Haver of Peck Lake Road, Ionia are the parents of a baby boy, Andrew James, born Sunday, August 26 at 9:30 a.m. at Pennock Hospital in Hastings. Andrew tipped the scales at 4 lb., 13 oz.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Francis Larsen of Peck Lake Road and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Haver of Kysar Road, Lowell. Great-grandmother is Mrs. William Larsen of S. State Road.

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**Coming Events...**

**SAT., SEPT. 8:** The first Lowell Masonic Lodge fish fry dinner of the season will be held on Saturday, September 8 at the Masonic Temple with service from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Adults \$3.50. Children under 12, \$1.50. Free for members.

**SAT., SEPT. 8:** Visitors night at the Veen Observatory, 3308 Kissing Rock Road, Lowell. The Observatory and open to visitors from 8:30 to 11 p.m. Admission is free.

**SUN., SEPT. 9:** Annual All Church Picnic, First United Methodist Church of Lowell at Fallasburg Park, 1:15 p.m.

**MON., SEPT. 10:** The Golden Swingers will meet in the Home Ec room of the high school for potluck supper at 6 p.m. Bring your service and a dish to pass. Coffee will be furnished. A good program will follow the supper. If you have any questions call 897-8565. All are welcome.

**TUES., SEPT. 11:** Lowell Area Music Boosters at 7:30 p.m. in the Middle School Band room. Will discuss new uniforms. Everyone welcome.

**WED., SEPT. 12:** Snow UMW will serve a Roast Beef Dinner at 7:30 p.m. at the West Berlin Wesleyan Church.

**Happy Birthday**  
Sept. 7: Russ Rozman, Ardis Linton, Fred Ryder.  
Sept. 8: Amy Stewart, Krystin Hall, Kerry Kysar.  
Sept. 9: Sue Janeschek.  
Sept. 11: David McWhinney, Barbara Douma, Edson O'Harrow, Chris Powell.  
Sept. 12: Ray Guild, Norton Johnson, Helen Goff, John Linton.  
Sept. 13: Becky Gerard.

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# Society Notes...

## Kempker-Collins Wed August 4

The marriage of Deborah Ann Kempker and Christopher Jon Collins took place August 4, 1979 in an outdoor ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. Gerald Bates of the First United Methodist Church performed the poolside wedding.

Parents of the couple are John and Ann Kempker and Rex and Dolores Collins, all of Lowell.

Kathy Curtis, sister of the bride was matron of honor.

Steve Collins, brother of the groom was best man.

Special music was composed and played on guitars by the groom and Mitch McMahon.

The reception was held at Shady Acres.

The new Mr. and Mrs. Collins are at home at 13076 36th St., Lowell after a northern Michigan honeymoon trip.

### Special Service

Ren Wallen, field Director for Campus Action in Michigan, will be speaking Sunday, Sept. 9 at the Lowell Assembly of God at the 11 a.m. worship service.

The public is invited to this special service. The church is located two miles south of Lowell at 3050 Alden Nash SE.



Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Collins

## Tap-Keena Wed In Double Ring Rite



Mr. and Mrs. Keith Tap

Martene Keena and Keith Tap were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony performed by Father Ernest Bernoit at St. Patrick's Church in Farmington on Saturday, Aug. 4. The bride is the daughter of Verne and Mary Keena of Park Street. Belding and the groom is the son of Albert and Dorothy Tap of Sara Street, Lowell.

The bride was attired in an all lace Civil War era gown with an aisle-wide train of tiered lace. She wore a fingertip illusion veil and carried a white lace fan.

Jan Trillo played the flute and Terry Krapp was the soloist. Both were accompanied by Mrs. Bonnie Albert at the organ.

Dawn Hessler was Maid of Honor. Bridesmaids were Janie Othoff, Andrea Appel and Mary McEchie. They were attired in identical peach and

tan blouses floor-length gowns and carried tan fans.

Best Man was Rick LeRatz. The Groomsman were James Dykstra, Scott Phillips and Ken Minnie. Heather Tap and Nick Tap, niece and nephew of the groom, were Flower Girl and Ringbearer. The flower girl was attired in a gown fashioned after the other attendants.

Mr. and Mrs. Kerry Tap, brother and sister-in-law of the groom, Drs. Ed and Diana Rothman, brother-in-law and sister of the bride, were Masters and Mistresses of ceremony. A dinner and reception were held at Adrian's Ramona Terrace at Comstock Park. The rehearsal dinner was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kerry Tap of Lowell hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Tap.

WEDDING PLANS! Invitations, napkins, accessories available from Grand Valley Ledger, 105 N. Broadway.

## PUBLIC NOTICE TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF LOWELL

A Primary Election will be held in the City of Lowell, County of Kent, State of Michigan, on Tuesday,

September 11, 1979

from 7:00 o'clock in the forenoon until 8:00 o'clock in the afternoon, Eastern Standard Time, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the office of Councilmember, three members to be elected at the November 13 General Election.

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## Hull-Bailey Exchange Vows

Diane Hull, of 1117 E. Riverside Drive, and Ron L. Bailey, 7255 Bliss Road, Saranac, were married Aug. 18 in an evening ceremony at the Zion Methodist Church.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hull, 1117 E. Riverside Drive. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Matson E. Bailey, 7255 Bliss Road, Saranac.

The bride wore a gown with a Queen Anne neckline and white bodice trimmed in lace and seed pearls. It had long sleeves with three-inch lace and ruffle long train with a Juliet head piece with the fingertip veil.

She carried a silk bouquet of light blue roses and white camellias.

The Maid of Honor was Judy J. Langdon. Attendants were Deb Foy and Tammy Ferris.

The Best Man was Billy J. Patrick. Attendants were Randy Bailey and Philip Swiger.

Following the ceremonies a reception given by the groom's parents was held in the Zion Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

The couple will reside in Battle Creek.

## Vergennes Home Tour Saturday

The Vergennes Centennial Home Tour will be held this Saturday, Sept. 8 from 2 to 5 p.m. Several of the homes will be open to the public along with the Fallsburg School, Vergennes United Methodist Church and the Vergennes Township Hall.

There will be no organized caravan but individuals may pick up maps of the route at the Vergennes Township Hall at the corner of Farnell and Bailey Drive.

Pictures of the homes have also been taken and will be available for sale at the hall.

## HOMESPUN DEVOTIONS

by Pauline E. Spray

Rejoice evermore (1 Thessalonians 5:16).  
What to do with leftovers is always a problem. It seems, if the housewife is thrifty, it grieves her to throw food into the garbage can or down the disposal. Yet, if other families are like mine, it is a difficult task to "fool" them with warmed-over...

All of life isn't fresh baked apple pie. Much of it is warmed over potatoes. We are grateful for the times of special blessing, when everything is running smoothly, when the sun is shining, and the birds are singing. It is easy to count our blessings then. It is easy to be cheerful when we are enjoying life and eating off the fat of the land.

The testing comes with the monotonous, humdrum chores of everyday living. It requires strength of character to be cheerful when the daily tasks grow repetitious and tiresome. Determination is needed to sing when life is boring. However, when we remember what Jesus Christ has done for us and that He has promised never to leave nor forsake us, rejoicing should come naturally. It shouldn't be difficult to praise Him—even when life offers us "warmed over potatoes."

Prayer: Precious Jesus, Thou hast given me everything for which to rejoice. Help me to remember what Thou hast done for me when I am confronted with the monotony of life. Amen.

Let my hands perform His bidding.

Let my feet run in His ways: Let my eyes see Jesus only, Let my lips speak forth His praise.

Mary D. James

## BOWNE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing of the Bowne Township Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on

September 10, 1979

at the Bowne Township Hall in Alto at 8:00 P.M., at which time the following subject will be considered and at which meeting any interested person will be heard:

A request for depth variances by First Real Estate Company for the South 1/4 of Section 31, Town 5 North, Range 9 West, except the South 20 acres of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 31 for lots A-L.

Peter F. Siler, Secretary  
Bowne Township Board of Appeals  
Date: August 24, 1979.

## BOWNE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing of the Bowne Township Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on

September 17, 1979

at the Bowne Township Hall in Alto at 8:00 P.M., at which time the following subject will be considered and at which meeting any interested person will be heard:

A request for a depth variance by Albert G. Smith for the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 20, Town 5 North, Range 9 West.

Peter F. Siler, Secretary  
Bowne Township Board of Appeals  
Date: August 24, 1979.

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# The Back Page...

## Fallasburg Dam To Be Named Historical Landmark

Walter E. Blessey of New Orleans, La., national president of the American Society of Civil Engineers, will present a plaque designating the hydroelectric facilities on the Flat River north of Lowell as an historic landmark, at 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, Sept. 11.

Accepting the plaque will be Elmer E. Smith of Lowell, chairman of the Kent County Road and Park Commission.

A brief talk on the selection of this hydroelectric complex as a landmark will be given by Herbert J. Dunsmore of Ionia, a retired environmental engineer

and president of the Historic Landmark Committee of the Western Branch of the Michigan Section of the ASCE.

The power plant and dam were built in 1903 by an electric company, then were sold to Consumers Power Co. in 1906, which operated it until 1965, and then were turned over to the county park department in 1968 along with 650 acres including an impoundment large enough for good fishing.

The complex is one of the oldest in West Michigan.

Dunsmore recommended that the facilities be designated a



Elmer E. Smith of Lowell, will be accepting this plaque designating the hydroelectric facilities on the Flat River as an historic landmark at 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, September 11.

national historic landmark, which was approved by the national historic landmark committee.

The north part of the tract is adjacent to Fallasburg Park and the southern portion extends to

### Strike, Continued

to the teachers. Teacher negotiators called for a mediator at that point but on being told that one would be unavailable for a week, they asked for another bargaining session on Wednesday. At that meeting, they made a counter offer which was unacceptable to the Board of Education negotiators. At that point, Board representatives told the teachers that they would not meet again until a mediator was present.

Teachers met on Tuesday morning at 6:30 a.m. to be brought up to date on the talks and voted to withhold services since there was no assurance of working under last year's contract with a guarantee of retroactivity.

Lowell Education Association notified the administration at 7:15 Tuesday morning that they were withholding services. They joined teachers in many other districts in Michigan on the picket line. (Strikes by public employees are illegal in Michigan.) Support staff for the Lowell schools—bus drivers, food services, aides and secre-

near Lowell. The dam is known as Fallasburg Dam.

Long range plans call for the area to become a park and reactivating the power plant to produce electricity.

Opening the dedication will be Richard C. Jones of Grand

taries—were not affected and are working as usual.

In a statement Tuesday, Board representatives said that they have made every effort to make fair offers to accomplish a new contract with the LEA. In its economic offer, the Board recognized that Lowell teachers ended up this last contract "somewhat low," and made its offer to include 11.5 percent new money which they feel would give the Lowell teachers a salary schedule very competitive in Kent County.

"Union representatives have told us that this is the fairest offer made in Kent County," according to the Board's negotiator, Attorney Michael Gunther. "In spite of this offer, the Union came back with demands in excess of \$100,000 over the Board offer. This has put the Board in a position where it cannot negotiate further without the aid of a state mediator."

The Board evidently feels that Lowell has been used as a target for the MEA's problems in other districts. "We think this is a shameful strategy which works a real injustice to our staff and our community. We feel that this is an illegal refusal to bargain in good faith since Lowell should not be responsible for solving the Union's problems in other places," according to Gunther.

One hundred and forty of Lowell's 158 teachers met at the First Congregational Church and 80 percent voted to withhold services. There were 114 yes votes, 21 no's and 9 abstentions. According to chief negotiator for the LEA Lillian Stoner, teachers were "still optimistic" on Friday that they would be able to meet this weekend for continued talks and dramatized their availability by putting up a tent for the negotiating team outside the Board of Education offices at the Middle School. Shortly after notification of the strike, Superintendent Don Kelly told the teachers to vacate the school premises. Kelly called the camp-out a "road show" to attract media attention and said that it was on the area radio stations before anyone was actually at the offices to pitch the tent.

Teachers have announced that they will provide child care for school age children under the age of 10 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. during the school week for parents who may have a financial need for it. Youngsters are to bring their own toys and lunch to the First Congregational Church, corner of Hudson and Spring St. Teachers hope to minimize the inconvenience the present situation may cause some families.

Sticking points in the contract talks, in addition to economic issues, seem to be related to class size, fringe benefits and snow day policies. Earlier reports this weekend put the two sides \$75,000 apart on a first year wage settlement with the second year wage hike in the neighborhood of 7 percent. Teacher officials call that "unrealistic."

Both bargaining teams were told late last week that a mediator might possibly be available on Wednesday, Sept. 5. Settlement could come any time after the arrival of and talks with the State's mediator. Until that time, the school doors will remain closed and those new school clothes will stay tucked away. Parents will be notified through the media at least one day prior to the opening of school.

## Marshall, Rinard Win Catfish Derby

Charlie Marshall and Joe Rinard, both of Lowell, caught 16 pound Catfish to win first place in the Lowell Moose's annual Catfish Derby held on the Grand River, Aug. 25-26, according to the Derby's chairman, Red Bristol.

Prizes for 2nd largest and for the largest catch went to Dale

Rouse, his father and brother. The rest of the prizes were distributed to runner-ups in each category.

The following area businesses donated a variety of fishing prizes: Grand River Bait Shop, Hahn's Hardware, Trapp's Bait Shop, Ben Franklin, Western Auto, Big E, Lippert Drug

Store, Ski-Way Manufacturing, Saranac Hardware and Sisson's Barber Shop.

The Lowell Moose Lodge would like to express their appreciation for the support of the local businesses especially the Grand River Bait Shop who also gave a 10 percent discount to all participating fishermen.

### Lunch Menu...

**LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 10**  
 Mon., Sept. 10: Italian Spaghetti, Chopped Slaw, French Bread, Chilled Assorted Fruits, Milk.

Tues., Sept. 11: Hot Dogs and Pickles, Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Buttered Corn, Choice of Fresh or Canned Fruit, Bars or Cookies, Milk.

Wed., Sept. 12: Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Green Beans, Dinner Rolls or Bread, Jello w/Whip or Fruit, Milk.

Thurs., Sept. 13: Pizza w/Meat and Cheese, Fresh Carrot Slaw, Choice of Vegetables, Fruit or Whipped Jello, Milk.

Fri., Sept. 14: Fishwiches or Hamburgers, Potato Chips and Pickles, Cheese Square, Baked Beans or Soup, Fruit, Milk.

Rapids, president of the Western Branch of the Michigan Section of the ASCE, who will introduce the speakers and dignitaries. Jones, who is a consultant with Williams & Works, an engineering firm, did a great deal in organizing the plans for the dedication.

Blessey is professor of civil engineering at Tulane University.

Invited to the event are members of the KCRPC, the county park department, Kent County Board of Commissioners, state legislators from Kent County, members of the Department of Natural Resources, congressmen and United States senators from Michigan, members of the ASCE, environmentalists, and representatives from Consumers Power Co., historical societies and the U.S. Department of Energy.

Luncheon at \$5 each will be served at Fallasburg Park, following the ceremony.—Dave Barnes.

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