

# The Grand Valley Ledger

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## Above The Board

### Board Considers Capital Outlay Items

Board members enjoyed a rather quiet session for their last meeting of 1979. After voting to employ a special education teacher for the newly established room located in the old band room at Riverside School for students who are severely emotionally impaired, they awarded low bids for a 4-door sedan and 9-passenger wagon to Zeigler Ford.

Teacher union grievances were discussed briefly, the pending ones involving paying a teacher who doubled classes

when another was absent, personal days before and after a weekend, and medical insurance.

Capital Outlay items were a major concern with Superintendent Kelly explaining that for the past few years the schools have been operating on an austerity program and some expenditures must now be made. The board then voted to buy 13 typewriters for the high school typing room, replacing some presently in use. Last year monies were set aside for a new

truck and plow, with these purchases having now been made. Also mentioned were partitions for restroom areas, blackboards, overhead doors at the bus garage, office equipment, repairing fence damage from last year's snow, purchase of a snowblower, and playground and industrial arts equipment.

Building principals agreed that attendance was good at

parent-teacher conferences, but that there were complaints of lines and waiting since this year they are being held only one day or evening. This is in accordance with the new master contract.

Finally the board and Superintendent Kelly discussed pending legislation to legalize strikes and the effect it would have on school districts.

## NOTICE

The December 19 edition of the Grand Valley Ledger will be a combined "Holiday Issue," covering the weeks of December 19 and December 26.

All news items for this holiday issue [which will cover any events scheduled between December 19 and January 4] should be at the Ledger by Friday, December 14 at 5 p.m.

The Ledger office is open weekdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; closed Saturdays. Items may be called in to 897-9261; mailed to Box 128, Lowell; or slipped into the mail slot at 105 N. Broadway.

We enlist the cooperation of all our advertisers and readers in helping us to prepare this holiday issue, so our employees can enjoy the upcoming holidays with their families.

Elmer Wittenbach  
 Killed in Sunday

### Morning Crash

Elmer Wittenbach, 70 year old treasurer of Vergennes Township, was killed in a two-car collision on Sunday morning, December 9.

Wittenbach was driving west on Three Mile Road NE about 12:30 p.m. with his wife Pauline when his car apparently failed to stop for a stop sign at Lincoln Lake Ave., according to Kent County Sheriff's deputies.

The vehicle pulled into the path of a northbound truck driven by Scott A. Sipple, 18, of 4466 Bonnie Ave. SE, Kentwood, and was struck broadside. The impact drove the Wittenbach vehicle into a swamp.

Wittenbach was rushed to Butterworth Hospital where he died about 7 p.m. His wife, Pauline, also was treated at Butterworth but was not admitted. Sipple sustained minor injuries.

Wittenbach was a farmer in Vergennes Township for many years. He served Vergennes Township as a clerk, trustee and treasurer from 1933 to 1979. He was honored with a plaque for his public service from the Vergennes Township Historical Committee in April of last year.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Wittenbach is survived by his children, Glen and Gerald of Lowell, Mrs. Charlie (Marilyn) Rhodes of Berrin Springs, Mrs. Kenneth (Betty Lou) Korhorn of Big Rapids; two brothers, Edwin and Alvin of Lowell; and 17 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the Alton Bible Church with Dr. Paul Dollaske officiating. Interment Alton Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Alton Church Building Fund. Arrangements by Rothgerst Funeral Home.

COME AND GET 'EM — Ledger Scratch Pads, 40c a pound.

APPOINTMENTS — Not always needed at Vanity Hair Fashions, open five days, Lowell, 897-7506. c5

STANDING PRIME RIB — Cut to order, every Friday night at Paul's Showboat Restaurant. Hours: Mon. - Thurs., 10:30-8. Fri. & Sat. 10:30-8:30. Sun. 11:30-7:00. tf

## Gasohol Makes Lowell Debut

Gasohol made its first appearance in Lowell last week at Bob Kammer's Zephyr station on West Main Street and 140 gallons were pumped in five hours the first day, according to Kammer.

Gasohol is a motor fuel blend of nine parts gasoline and one part distilled alcohol. The alcohol is made from corn and other grains as part of a renewable energy source alternative to the energy shortage.

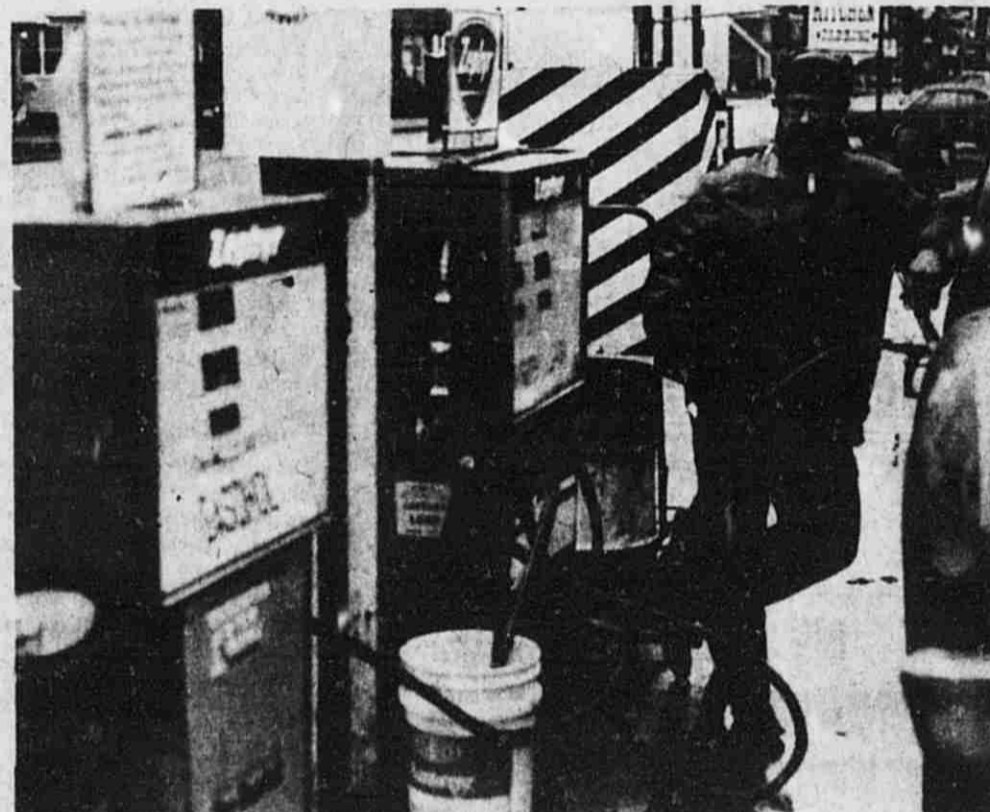
There are presently three other area Zephyr stations offering gasohol—in Ionia, Lake Odessa and Hastings.

According to laboratory test results, gasohol provides a better octane fuel, increased mileage per gallon, better engine performance, reduced engine deposits, less gas-line freeze-ups and cleaner exhaust emissions.

Although it costs about three cents more per gallon than no-lead, proponents point to some of the savings: in anti-freeze, engine clean-up, etc.

Gasohol, which is a no-lead gasoline, also works in motorcycles, boats, regular-gas vehicles, and other engines, according to its manufacturers.

The product has been promoted by various farm groups as offering a benefit for farmers—allowing them to sell their product on a new market. "corn Power" is a popular slogan.



Gasohol made its debut in Lowell last week at the Zephyr station on West Main St. and owner Bob Kammer says he pumped 140 gallons in just five hours the first day.

According to Zephyr officials, gasohol will also offer benefits for the economy because "by using alcohol from renewable domestic sources we can reduce costly oil imports, protect against another oil embargo,

boost the farm economy and give the country an alternative fuel source.

Gasohol burns hotter in engines which is the reason for the cleaner engine, it is claimed. Gasohol cleans the engine and

other deposits from the fuel line.

Some of those who have tried it claim there is little difference while others say they do get better engine performance and mileage.



### DOUBLED UP

The staff at the Grand Valley Ledger is already hard at work on next week's double "Holiday Issue". An annual effort, the issue will be a combined issue with a complete wrap-up of 1979.

Subscribers and advertisers should note that the December 19th issue will be combined holiday issue. There will be no paper on December 26.

Ledger offices will be closed from Thursday, December 20 through January 2, 1980. The office will reopen on January 2. This is the traditional vacation time for the Ledger staff.

The first Ledger issue in January will be published two days late on January 4.

### FINANCIAL AID

The Student Services office at Lowell High School office is offering a free Financial Aid Workshop for all college bound students and their parents on Thursday, Dec. 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the J Quad at the high school.

Donald Schriener, Director of Financial Aid at Grand Rapids Junior College, will be the speaker and will work with parents and students on an individual basis during the workshop portion. With an education more important than ever and the money to pay for it more difficult to come up with, exploring every avenue of help makes sense.

### MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC

Lowell Middle School invites everyone in the community to their Christmas Music Programs. Admission is just the right price, free. The students in choir and band have put together two very special concerts to bring the real Christmas spirit to Lowell.

On Wednesday evening, Dec. 19, at 7:30 p.m. the LMS Choir will perform in the Cafetorium and on Thursday, Dec. 20 at 7:30 p.m., the LMS Band will make music in the Cafetorium.

### OPEN HOUSE

The Lowell Public Library, corner of Main and Hudson Sts., will hold a Christmas Open House on Friday, Dec. 21, from 2-5 p.m. The Library staff and members of the Library Board invite you to stop in for refreshments, to see the newly-reddecorated rooms, and get acquainted with Lowell's Library and its services.

### MOVER, TOO

The Ledger Gremlin is at it again. Last week the elf in charge of mistakes left out Jeremy Barber's name on the list of he-men who moved the Showboat to its winter home at the old dock. Poor payment for giving up the better part of a young man's Saturday. Blame the blasted Gremlin and forgive Uncle Ivan.

### HOLIDAY STRESS

You know that tight feeling at the back of the neck? The knot in the stomach? The blister on the feet and the too-thin wallet? That feeling has a special name this time of year. "Holiday Stress" is what the experts call that feeling bordering on panic. They suggest that "stress reduction" can be accomplished by using relaxation techniques such as deep breathing or taking a quiet moment to relax. At the Gremlin's house, we do both. I sigh a lot and he sleeps.

### OFF THE BLOTTER

Lowell officers recovered a stolen pick-up truck on Monday, Dec. 3, from the Lowell Lanes parking lot. The vehicle had been stolen from Grand Rapids.

The breaking and entering of the Lowell Showboat this past week resulted in over \$600 worth of contents being taken. The matter is still under investigation.

Injured in an accident at Hunt and Beech Sts. on Thursday, Dec. 6, were Michael Wright and his passenger, Nancy Gross, when they were struck by a vehicle driven by Edith Dykstra of Grand Rapids. Mrs. Dykstra, who was also injured, failed to yield right of way at the intersection. A power pole and a private fence were also damaged.

Patrick Fetterhoff was involved in a property damage accident on Sunday morning, Dec. 9 when he lost control of his car and hit a steel light post on Main and Hudson Sts. Christine Bigsley of Ionia was at the corner of Hudson and Main on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 8, when her vehicle was hit in a rear-end collision by Mark Hoffman of Grandville. Rhonda Baker's vehicle was struck broadside by a juvenile driver when she failed to yield right of way at Howard and Amity Sts. on Friday morning, Dec. 7.

David Johnston of Lowell plead guilty to larceny in court in Ionia before Judge Ward and was fined \$55 or ten days in jail.

Arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol Saturday evening, Dec. 8, was Eugene Strauss of Lowell. Strauss was arraigned on Monday in 63rd District Court.

A fire at 11221 Grand River Dr. on Friday, Dec. 7, was caused by a wood-burning stove. According to Assistant Fire Chief Frank Martin, the stove's pipe was not installed properly and fire traveled up the wall, across the attic and into the roof. There was minimum smoke damage to the house but \$6,000 damage to the house and \$500 to the contents.

## LAAC Invites Park Sculpture Designs

Lowell's Parks and Recreation Commission has prepared a plan for revitalizing Richards Park on N. Hudson St. The Lowell Area Arts Council, as part of this effort, will provide a locally designed and produced outdoor sculpture.

Designs are being sought from all interested members of the community. All entries will be considered by a jury of qualified people selected by the Arts Council and the Parks and Recreation Commission. While no financial payment will be given for the design, the creator of the winning design will receive recognition for his or her public service.

The winning design will become the property of the City of Lowell. Other designs submitted can be picked up from City

### Road Rallye Planned

Members of the Furrin Group road rallye club will hold their last rallye of the season on Sunday, Dec. 16, and invites the public, especially road rallye novices to join them. Any four-wheeled vehicle is eligible to enter the touring event.

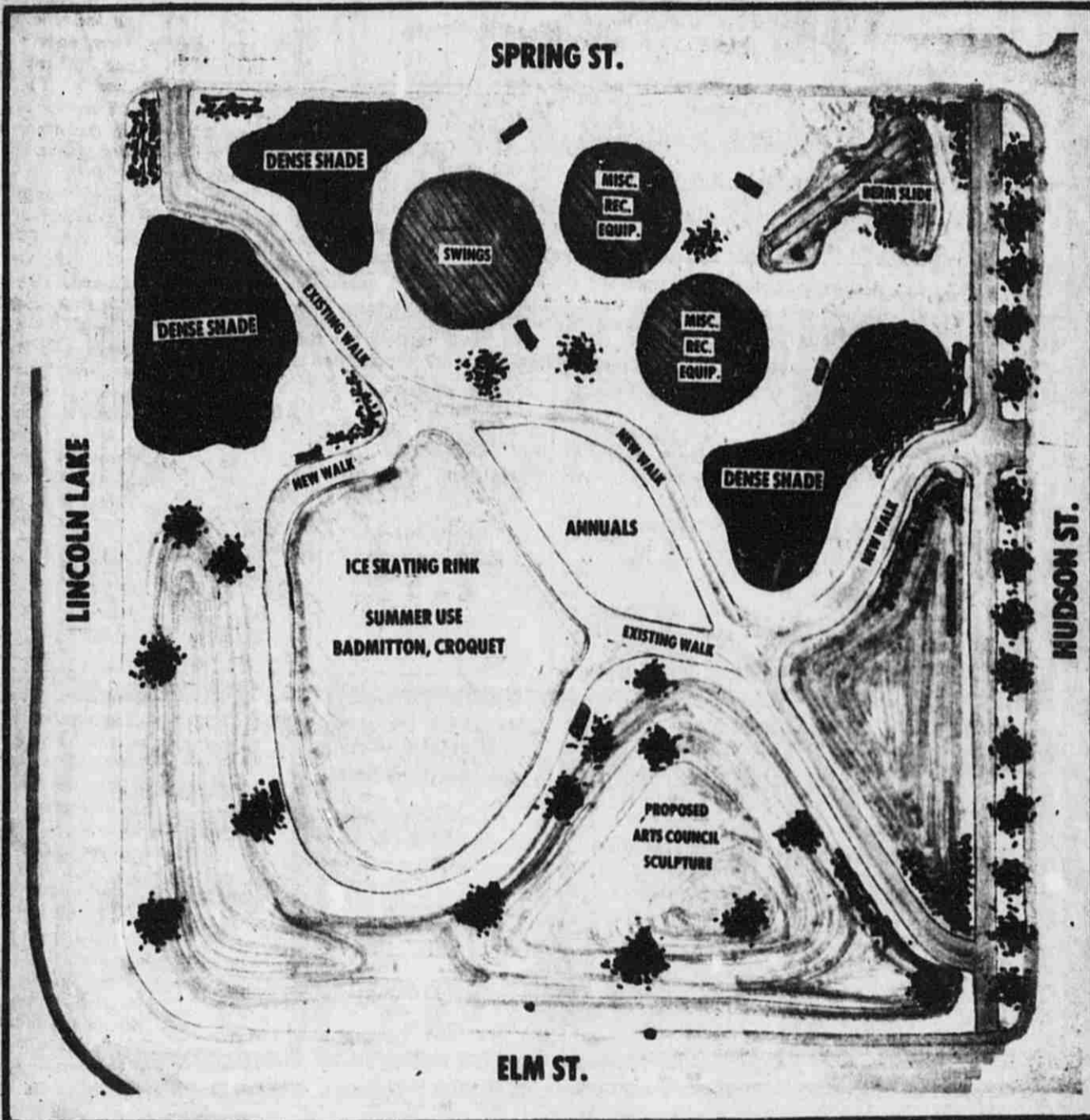
The Furrin Group is a non-profit sports car enthusiasts' club. They have planned the 100 mile route especially with beginners in mind, and general directions will be provided at registration before the rallye begins. The course runs through the Lowell-Ada area beginning at Harold Zeigler Ford, 11979 E. Fulton, Lowell and ending at Deer Run Golf Club.

Registration for the rallye will be held from noon to 12:45 p.m. at the starting point and will be followed by a Competitors meeting at 12:45 p.m. Entry fee is \$7 for club members and \$9 for non-members. Rallye begins at 1 p.m.

There will be two classes in the tour: Equipped, no equipment restrictions; Unequipped, may have anything but a cumulating calculator and/or hundredth-reading odometers.

A special trophy will be awarded to the highest placing novice who does not receive a trophy in one of the other classes.

For more information, call Kelly Brandt days at 897-5335, or Jim Brandt 942-3261 days, or call 1-374-7176 evenings.



The Lowell Parks and Recreation Commission has prepared a plan for revitalizing Richards Park on North Hudson St. The drawing shows the tentative placement of play and open areas and calls for considerable landscaping. Work on the park will begin in the spring. The Lowell Area Arts Council will construct a sculpture for an open area in the southeast quadrant of the park and is now soliciting designs from the community.

Hall after final selection is made if the designer wishes.

The overall design for the revamped Richards Park leaves the southeast quadrant as an open space bordered by walks and trees. This area, in which the sculpture will be placed, is a triangle with a base of about 150 feet along Elm Street on the south, with the apex about 120 feet north toward the existing fountain.

Entrants are asked to keep in mind the following design criteria. The sculpture should be

appropriate to the community and the park setting, including the houses and church bordering Richards Park. While the primary aim is for an outdoor sculpture, the end result should be safe and attractive for children to be on, in or under.

The sculpture should be capable of being reproduced locally and should take into account the probable use of the park itself. It is desirable that the project be as near vandal-proof as possible. A small scale model may be submitted with the design.

Entries should be submitted by February 1, 1980. Final selection will be announced by March 1. Construction by the LAAC will begin in the spring of 1980.

Designs can be submitted to Nature's Emporium, 609 W. Main, Lowell or to That Special Place, 215 W. Main, Lowell. Prospective designers who wish

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# Obituaries...

**SMITH** — Mrs. Edwin Smith, Grant Hospital following a long illness, of 1241 Mason Dr., Surviving are his wife, Frank Grant, Dec. 8, 1979 at the age 81; three sons, Mar-

Allen and both of Grant, David of Kent City; one daughter, Mrs. Jacob (Barbara) Stults of Grant; 16 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two brothers, Floyd of Grant and Clifford of Grandville; three sisters, Mrs. Bessie Roberts of Montague, Mrs. Rex (Lucille) Slater of Alto and Mrs. Ethel Rusco of Sparta.

Funeral services were held Monday in Grant, with Rev. Robert Timmer officiating. Interment in Ashland Center Cemetery. For memorials the family asks that the Michigan Heart Fund be considered.

**WITTENBERG** — Elmer R. Wittenbach, aged 70, of 13005-3 Mile Rd., Lowell, passed away Sunday, Dec. 9, 1979.

He is survived by his wife, Pauline; his children, Glen and Gerald of Lowell, Mrs. Charles (Marilyn) Rhodes of Berrien Springs, Mrs. Kenneth (Betty) Lou Kohorn of Big Rapids, two brothers, Edwin and Alvin of Lowell; and 17 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, 1 p.m. at the Alto Bible Church, with Dr. Paul Dollaske officiating. Interment Alton Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Church Building Fund, Mr. Wittenbach lies in state at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell.

**VANDEBERG** — Mrs. David (Dolores) Vandenberg, aged 37, of Wyoming, passed away unexpectedly Wednesday evening, December 5, 1979 at her residence.

Besides her husband, she is survived by two sons, David and Daniel; one sister, Mrs. Mary Ann Sikkema of Lowell; two brothers, Clyde Venema of Grand Rapids and Mike Venema of Alma; her mother-in-law, Mrs. Nellie (Vandenberg) Sidlouskas of Wyoming; some sisters and brothers-in-law; nieces and nephews; aunts and uncles.

A service of committal was held Saturday at the Kauper Funeral Home. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. A Memorial Mass was held Monday

morning at Holy Name Church. The family suggests for those who wish, contributions to Holy Name School Memorial fund, (envelopes available at the funeral home).

**EICKHOFF** — Harvey M. Eickhoff, aged 72, of 4130 Buttrick SE, passed away suddenly Tuesday, Dec. 4.

He is survived by his children, Eugene of Maryland, Robert of Boston, MA, Mrs. Bonnie Meehan, Donald, Harvey Jr., Joseph and Gary all of Lowell and James of Clarksville; his step-children, Lee Norton of Alto, John Norton of Grand Rapids, Janet Zachowak of Ada, James Lackey of Lake Odessa and Judy McCormick of Grand Rapids, and Larry Norton of Ada.

Also surviving are a brother, Harry of Minden; his sisters, Mrs. Erma Richmond, Mrs. Theima Roth, Mrs. Rosie Sullivan, Mrs. Ruby Christiansen, Mrs. Josephine Willard and Mrs. Marie Steward all of Lowell; 40 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Friday at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Rev. Raymond Gaylord officiating. Interment Alton Cemetery.

**CONDON** — Elsie E. Condon, aged 83, of Visalia, CA, formerly of Lowell, passed away Dec. 4.

Surviving are two grandchildren, Lewis Condon and Bonnie Bibbler and a daughter-in-law, Jean Bryant and three great-grandchildren all of CA.

Funeral services were Saturday at the funeral home, Reginald Elton Mills officiating. Arrangements by Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell.

**BOWEN** — Lester E. Bowen, aged 64, of 206 Hoeford, Ionia, died Tuesday, Dec. 4, at his residence.

He was born Aug. 17, 1915, in Keene Township, the son of Elmer and Elizabeth Geiger Bowen.

Mr. Bowen is a former employee of General Motors. He

has been an Ionia area resident for many years.

Survivors include his wife, Delilah; a son, Richard, of Ionia; a daughter, Judy; a brother, Lloyd Bowen of Ionia; a sister, Mabel Topp, of Lowell; and 10 step-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Friday at the Myers-Rosenbaum Funeral Home. Burial in Balcom Cemetery.

**MOSBECK** — Olive M. Mosbeck, 75, of 1845 S. Highland Ave., Largo, died Friday, Nov. 30, 1979.

Born in Lowell, she came here 20 years ago from Chicago and was a member of St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Largo.

Survivors include a son Harold, Woodridge, Ill.; a daughter Lois Butcher, Calumet City, Ill.; two brothers, Floyd and Glen Yeiter, both of Alto; two sisters, Audrey Yeiter, South Bend, Ind., and Ella Watson, Grand Rapids; five grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. Moss East Bay Chapel.

**TUES., DEC. 11:** Evening Club will meet at the home of Rose Ball. Program will be The Drama of Christmas.

**WED., DEC. 12:** Women's Club of Lowell will meet at 1 p.m. in the lounge of the Schneider Manor on Bowers Road. Mrs. Donald VanArten will play English hand bells. Drawing for the meritorious quilt. Christmas auction. Each member should bring a few gifts to auction off.

**FRI., DEC. 14:** Cyclamen Chapter #94 O.E.S. will hold its regular meeting at 8 p.m. There will be a potluck supper at 6:30. Meat & Rolls furnished, bring dish to pass. Family and friends welcome.

**TUES., DEC. 18:** Grand Rapids Chapter of the National Association of Accountants monthly meeting at Hoffman

House, 4101 28th Street, S.E. Social hour at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. Congressman Harold S. Sawyer will speak on "Current Washington Developments." For reservations call 459-4437.

**MON., DEC. 17:** NOTICE to all Veterans: Eugene Dahlgaard, the Veterans Service Officer will be at The American Legion Building, 805 E. Main St., at 1 p.m. He will aid all veterans and their dependents with any problems they may have. Any questions, call George DeGraw, 897-8266.

**SUN., DEC. 16:** Furrin Group Road Rally. Register noon to 12:45 p.m. Leave 1 p.m. from Zeigler Ford, Inc. End Deer Run Golf Club. Public welcome. Fee: \$7 member, \$9 non-member. More information 897-5335.

**Special Trims At Alto Meeting**

The staff of the Razor's Edge is coming to Alto School on Tuesday, December 18 at 7:30 p.m. They will be trimming beards, cutting, restyling, tinting hair, and giving makeup tips to many of the Alto dads, moms, and teachers. Everyone is invited to see some exciting changes.

Party trays will be served. Child care provided. Sponsored by the Alto Parents Club.

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The Rape Crisis is Team of Kent County is a 24 hour crisis intervention and community education program.

There will be a training session for volunteers from January 18-26, 1980. Persons interested in becoming a volunteer call Switchboard at 774-3535 for further information.

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**Reflections From Outer Space**  
By Rev. Jerry Bates

Here it is Monday morning again! Isn't it strange how regularly Monday morning comes around? Each week we get one and that means that we have to start a whole new week. I don't know how your Monday goes, but mine starts with a staff meeting. We have discovered that each Monday morning we have to meet in the office and decide how the week is to go. And so we sit down, the secretary, associate and myself and plan our week.

Then there is the article for the Parish Tidings and the Reflections that I need to write for the newspaper. Usually there are some other things that need to be written.

But I guess that the work of Monday would be the work of that day even if it were called Tuesday or Wednesday. The first day of the week is the day that we start our work and make plans for the day and 40 hours to be spent in the pursuit of money, ego satisfaction or what have you!

Monday does not need to be a day of depression, a blue Monday. It can be the beginning of a glorious week. Today we need to remember that every day is a day that the Lord has made. It is not a day that we have created. We do not cause the sky to brighten, or the sun to come up. We simply know that another day dawns with its concerns and responsibilities.

Monday is a day that the Lord has made just the same as Friday. The only difference between the 2 days is that one starts a week and the other closes it. Yet we wake up Friday

**Lynn Warning Is DNR Intern**

Realizing that all valuable experience does not come from books, Michigan State University student Lynn Warning of Lowell is learning more about her field of study through an internship this fall.

Warning is interning with the Recreation Services Division of the Department of Natural Resources in Lansing. Through her work as a technical consultant she will be analyzing and by using our concepts, we suggest what problems or advantages they will have with development of commercial groups.

"We give our clients information from a site analysis and by using our concepts, we suggest what problems or advantages they will have with development of commercial groups," she said.

Landscape architects design housing, recreation, forests and highway projects. "They make the land more usable," said Gloria Miller, coordinator of the MSU landscape architecture and urban planning internship program.

Warning, a senior majoring in landscape architecture, is a 1975 graduate of Lowell High School and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Warning of 721 N. Washington St.

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## Newlyweds To Live In Lowell



Mr. & Mrs. Michael Day

In a nuptial mass celebrated by Fr. Thomas Schiller, Ms. Lucy Desser became the bride of Michael Day on Saturday, Nov. 3 at St. Mary's Church of Lowell.

The bride is the daughter of Thomas and Jane Desser of Ada. The groom is the son of George and Dolores Day of Lowell.

Theresa Desser was her sister's Maid of Honor with Laura Day and Kathie Day, sisters of the groom, serving as Bridesmaids.

James Doyle was Best Man with Groomsmen Dave DeNolf and Joe Desser, brother of the bride. Ushers were Pete Desser and John Desser with Mark Desser as Ringbearer, all brothers of the bride.

A reception was held for the couple immediately following the ceremony at Shady Acres, Lowell.

The new Mr. and Mrs. Day honeymooned in Florida and are now residing in Lowell. Both are graduates of Lowell Senior High School and are employed by Amway Corporation.

## Holiday Brunch In Vergennes

The Vergennes Co-operative Club met on Dec. 1 at the Vergennes United Methodist Church for a Christmas Brunch.

Hostesses were Ellura McPherson, Reatha Seaman and Greta Kettner. Thirty-two members and guests were present.

The program was "Light One Candle" by Ann Mulder.

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## Grahams Celebrate 25th Anniversary

Jane and Keith Graham will celebrate their Silver Wedding Anniversary with an Open House to be held on Sunday, Dec. 16, at the Alto Methodist Church from 2 to 5 p.m.

The Grahams were married on December 11, 1954 in Dayton, Ohio. They have lived in the area for 25 years. Graham has retired from farming. The couple requests "No gifts, please."

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The Lord is supreme when it comes to friends. He never betrays confidences. He stands by us through sorrow and loss, joy and pain. He is the same day after day, and fellowship with Him grows sweeter with the passing years. He can be depended upon even when the best of earthly friends fail and adversity leaves us desolate. His love is unending. His loving kindness endures forever. His love is genuine; it is "not an imitation."

Prayer: Dear Jesus, Thou art my Friend of Friends. Thou art ever near and ready to help me in time of need. Thy love never fails. It endures forever. It is "not an imitation."

Amen.

O Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end; Be Thou forever near me. My Master and my Friend, and not for what you have.

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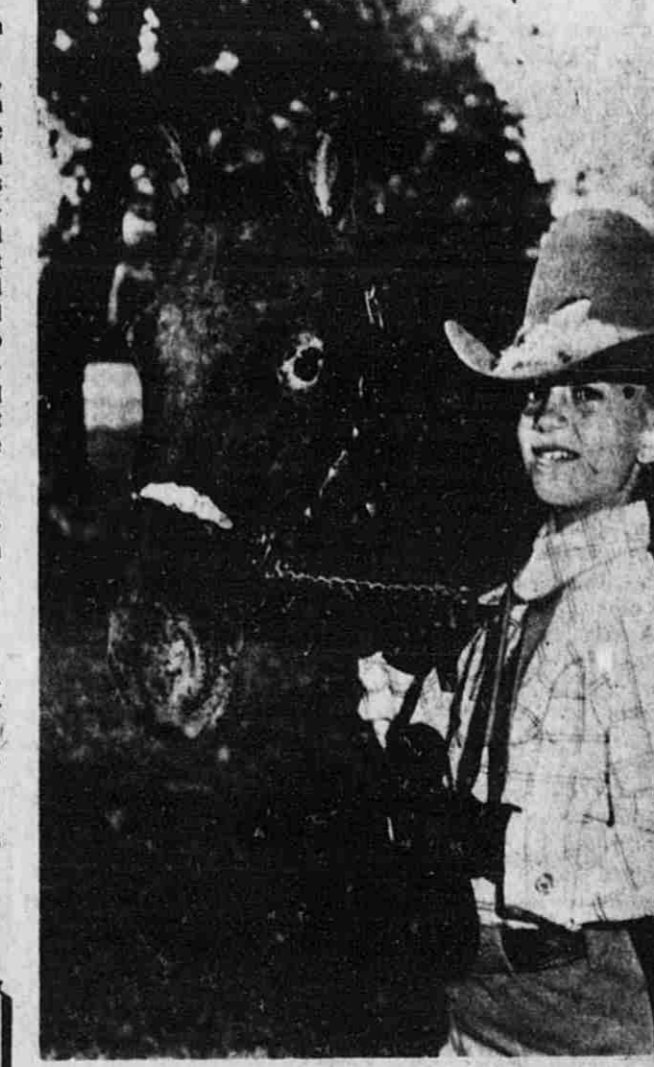
# Saranac Doin's...

## Tiny Tara Earns State And International Honors

Eight-year-old Tara Yeiter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Yeiter of Saranac has earned honors from the Michigan State Pony of America Club in their year-end Hi-Point Standings. Tara showed her POA pony "Cam's Pooky Patches" at approved POA shows throughout the state, earning 744 points which made her Reserve Hi-Point for girls 8 and under in Michigan.

Tara started her career at age five with her pony "Shiwassee's Golden Lady". Tara and under. She faced the top eight Goldie took awards for Hi-Point Showmanship for girls 8 and under in the event.

Patches is no slouch, either. He recently received his National Register of Merit for being an All-around Halter and Performance Champion.



Two champions from Saranac are a little short on height but long on class. Eight-year-old Tara Yeiter is Reserve Hi-Point Champion for girls 8 and under, and Patches (who also has a fancy moniker) has received a National Register of Merit for being an All-around Halter and Performance Champion.

## VoVillas Honored On 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. VoVilla of Saranac will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on the 16th of December. Friends are cordially invited to attend an Open House in their honor, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H.K. VoVilla, 284 Jackson St., Saranac, from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, December 16. The family respectfully requests no gifts.

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To stop spread of gypsy moth cutters and users of firewood are urged to watch for gypsy moth egg masses on wood, according to Dean M. Pridgen, director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture.

"The heaviest gypsy moth infestation is in central Michigan and any firewood from Isabella, Gratiot, Midland and Montcalm counties should be closely inspected for egg masses," Pridgen said.

People who use firewood from these counties are asked to use it up this winter to prevent eggs hatching next spring.

If egg masses are found while cutting firewood, the wood should be left and the Michigan Department of Agriculture's Plant Industry division notified. (517/313-1087) so the location can be monitored next spring. Pridgen said.

A homeowner who finds egg masses on firewood is also urged to notify MDA's Plant Industry division. A pamphlet containing color photographs of egg masses is available from MDA's Plant Industry division, Lewis Cass building, P.O. Box 30017, Lansing 48909.

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# Area Sports...

## Wildner Returns To Champion GVSC Squad

Sophomore John Wildner from Lowell is a member of Grand Valley State's 1979-80 varsity wrestling team. The Lakers, under the direction of Coach Jim Scott, are defending Great Lakes Conference champions. Grand Valley is ranked number two in the pre-season NAIA wrestling poll.

Wildner, a returning letterman from last year, will be wrestling in the 177-pound weight class. Wildner, a returning letterman from last year, will be wrestling in the 177-pound weight class.

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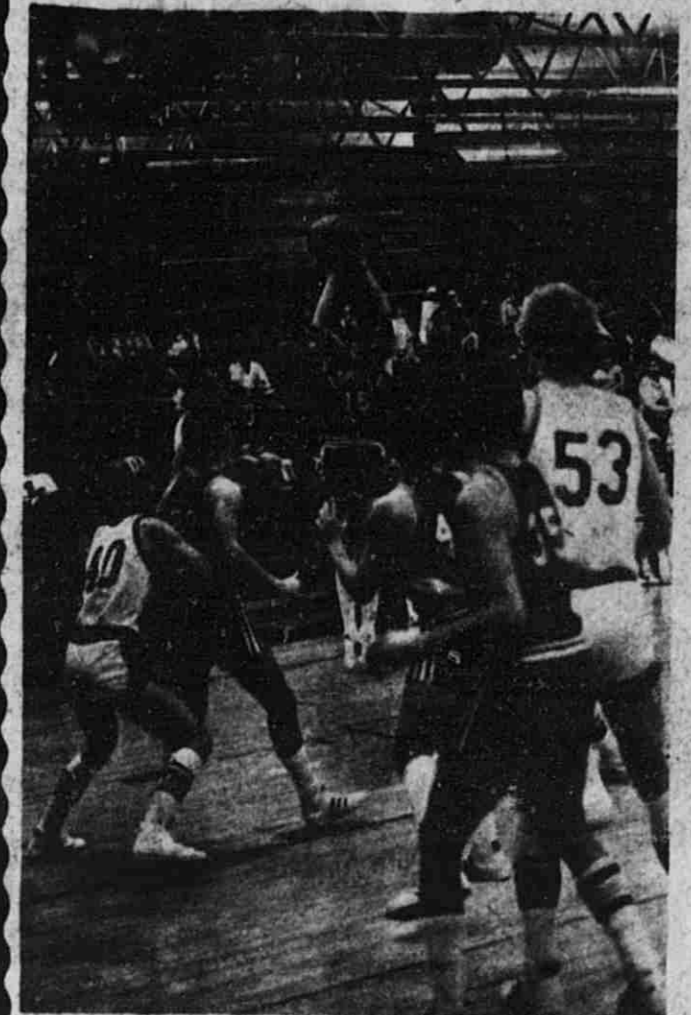
## Red Arrow Icers Win One, Lose One

Lowell's Red Arrow hockey team recorded their second win Thursday, Dec. 6, by beating the Union Red Hawks with a score of 7-2.

The Red Hawks played a very impressive first period but many penalties against the Union team in the second and third periods gave Lowell numerous scoring opportunities.

Union opened their first period with a goal by Red Hawk Eric Hansen. Another Union goal by Ed Chase a few minutes later put them ahead 2-0. Lowell's potent first line headed by center Steve Ries came back with two goals—both scored by Ries, with wingers Bob McGrew and Brad Shamblin each picking up assists on both goals. The score was tied before the end of the first period.

## Lowell Dumped In Opener



Lowell's basketball season began with a disappointing loss to Delton Kellogg last Friday night, 78-66. Lowell's Dave Wittenbach, #15, goes up for a basket, with Mike Tracy, #33, Greg Machado, #41, and Gary Ellison, #55 ready for a rebound attempt.

## Saranac Humbles St. Pat's In 82-55 Rout

Ben Tower used his 6'8" height advantage to dominate the scoreboard with 31 points in last Friday night's rout of Portland St. Patrick's, 82-55 in Saranac's first game of the basketball season.

Tower, Saranac's senior center, is a key player for the Redskins. He accounted for eight of his team's 17 first-quarter points. The Shamrocks could only come up with five points for the period.

In the second quarter, the Redskins kept Portland at arms' length with 30 points to the Shamrocks' 22. The second half evened out somewhat after St. Pat's put on a full-court press trying to contain Tower. Host team Shamrocks scored 14 points each quarter to Saranac's 15 and 20.

Also in double figures for Saranac were Scott Metterich with 17 and Craig Coulson with 10. The Redskins hosted Lakeview last night Tuesday. Final results were not available as the Ledger went to press.

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Red Arrow hockey standouts Steve Ries (No. 3) and Bob McGrew (No. 14) split the scoreboard between them in last Thursday's meet with Union High School. All of Lowell's seven goals were scored by the two players: 4 from Ries and 3 from McGrew. Lowell won 7-2.



Red Arrow goalie Jon Verino minds the net as Dan Sarniak defends the Lowell goal from a Kenowa Hills shot in last Saturday's game. The Knights upended Lowell with a last period flurry of goals to win the meet 6-4.

As the second period started, Ries took the puck from the face-off, skated through the Knights' defense and scored with only 46 of the period elapsed. Midway through the second period, Kenowa picked up a goal by Dan Adams and another by Silvio with one minute left in the period. Lowell was still ahead 4-3 as the period started.

The last period was dominated by the Knights' offense as they scored five goals: two by Silvio, two by Tim Blystone and one by Adams. That was enough for the Kenowa win.

Lowell now stands at 2-2 with their next game on Wednesday, Dec. 12 against the Christian Eagles at 3 p.m. at Stadium Arena. - Jay Vesino.

## Think Twice Before Giving Animal As Gift

The Humane Society of Kent County will not place animals for adoption after Tuesday, Dec. 18 but will resume adoptions on Wednesday, Dec. 26. The purpose of this policy is to discourage people from picking up an animal as a last-minute "stocking stuffer" without giving adequate thought to the appropriateness of such a gesture. The Humane Society does not generally recommend animals as gifts. Adults should be allowed to choose a pet at a time and under the circumstances that he or she deems right.

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Sawyer said, "I want your help in letting Iran know how we feel. I've told Iran to release the hostages now or suffer the consequences. I'd like your support. Send your personal message to the Iranian government in care of my office and I will personally deliver it to the Iranian embassy in Washington D.C."

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## Lowell Jaycees Help Support Ronald McDonald House

The Lowell Area Jaycees have joined Jaycees across the state in supporting Michigan's first Ronald McDonald House which was recently opened. The house is located next to the Children's Hospital in Detroit. It contains twenty (20) bedrooms, two kitchens and two living areas. The rooms are available to parents and family of critical and/or long-term care patients at the hospital.



Ronald McDonald House, a 2-family home away from home designed by Rossetti Associates has recently been completed and is adjacent to Children's Hospital of Michigan for use by families with children being treated for cancer and other serious illnesses. It will enable families to live together in a home environment and to gain strengths and share experiences with other families staying at the home while their children are undergoing treatment or tests. Lowell Jaycees and Jaycettes are selling special T-shirts to help raise funds for the project.

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### Forfeits Cost SHS Grapplers

The Saranac wrestling squad opened the season Thursday, Dec. 6, with a tough 51-24 loss to Middleville, a match which may have been closer had...

### Legal Notices

PUBLICATION OF CLAIMS NOTICE File No. 134-506 State of Michigan, Probate Court, Kent County, ESTATE OF BERNICE OBRIEN, DECEASED.

TAKE NOTICE: Bernice Obrien of Bernice Obrien, deceased, of 310 Lincoln Lake, Lowell, MI 49331, who died on November 2, 1979, Social Security Number 338-26-0996 are notified that all creditors against the decedent's estate are barred against the estate, the Personal Representative and the heirs and devisees of the decedent, unless their claims are presented either personally or by mail to the following Personal Representative on or before March 31, 1980: Mrs. Dorothy Johnson, at 10765 Peach Ridge Rd., Sparta, MI 49345.

Frederick Osterhouse, DeBoer & Barnhart, P.C. Attorneys for Estate By Robert J. DeBoer Bar No. P-12598 1125 W. Main St., Lowell, MI 49331. Phone: (616) 897-9281

The Belding wrestlers came out on top in their three-team dual tournament Saturday, beating Saranac and Grant in dual meet competition.

Neither team gave the Belding squad much trouble, the Saranac team bowing 54-18 and Grant falling 52-11.

Saranac scored first in its match, winning a forfeit in the 98-pound match. Neither team fielded a man in the 105-pound

A Lowell high school graduate is one of fourteen athletes expected to play a major role in the 1979-80 basketball season at Grand Rapids Junior College.

Lisa Willyard, currently a freshman, will be filling a guard spot as the season gets underway.

According to Raider Coach, March Tiestig, "Our season just opened and runs through March. I expect our conference to be very competitive and we hope to better our second place position. I believe that Lisa will be making a valuable contribution to that effort."

Lisa Willyard, from Lowell, Michigan is a Liberal Arts major and stands 5'3" tall.

The Pacific Ocean covers a third of the earth.

VERGENNES TOWNSHIP NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

Due to the unfortunate death of Elmer Wittenbach our township treasurer, Carol Neuta, deputy treasurer will be collecting taxes.

Taxes may be mailed to her at 10378 3 Mile Road, Lowell, MI 49331. Other collection dates will be announced next week.

Regular Official Supervisor

Official Proceedings of the City Council of the City of Lowell, Michigan.

Regular Meeting of Monday, November 19, 1979. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Mayor Collins. The Pledge of Allegiance was given, and the Roll called.

Present: Councilman Carter, Christiansen, Jackson, Warning and Collins.

Absent: Representative Lessens. IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Christiansen that the Minutes of the Meeting of November 5 be approved as written, supported by Councilman Carter.

Carried. IT WAS THEN MOVED by Councilman Carter that the Bills and Accounts Payable be allowed and warrants issued, supported by Councilman Christiansen.

Yes: All. No: None. Absent: None.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE TOTALS

General Fund \$20,921.74 Major Street Fund \$ 8,458.25 Local Street Fund \$ 608.05 Water Fund \$4,730.05 Sewer Fund \$ 2,859.19 Equipment Fund \$ 1,192.85 Various Funds \$ 909.00

Public Hearing/Community Development Block Grant Funding

Mayor Collins then opened the Public Hearing on the possible uses for Community Development Block Grant Funding.

Manager Quada gave a brief background on the possibility of using the funding to construct a food service commons, in conjunction with the building of a new senior citizens housing project, which has been discussed earlier in the month. He noted, however, that it is only one of several possible uses for the funds, and that there are two prerequisites for any project. A, must be fundable; B, show a concrete program.

Mayor Collins then opened the question to the audience. Mr. Gordon Hill was present and asked about using the funding to rezone the Main Street Business District, and provide a parking area.

A lengthy discussion followed on the City's, v.s. the Merchant's responsibility for providing parking for employees and customers.

Mayor Collins then closed the Hearing at 8:28 p.m.

Resolution/Mutual Fire Control Agreement

Council then discussed the proposed resolution on the Mutual Aid Fire Control Agreement. Manager Quada stated that all other units in the area have already joined with the D.N.R. on the agreement.

The following resolution was offered by Councilman

Christiansen for adoption, supported by Councilman Carter.

Cooperative Mutual Aid Fire Control Agreement

This Cooperative Agreement made this 19th day of November, 1979, by and between Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the City of Lowell hereinafter referred to as the Cooperator, and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Forest Management Division, hereinafter referred to as the Department, it entered into for the purpose of:

1. Providing the closest possible cooperation on mutual objectives.

2. Lending effective support when either organization is committed to or beyond its capacity.

3. Defining purposes and responsibilities of the respective organizations.

WHEREAS, the control of timber, grass, and wildland fires in, and adjacent to, suburban areas is essential to an effective forest fire control program; and WHEREAS, the Cooperator is actively engaged in the prevention and suppression of all fires in, and adjacent to, suburban areas; and WHEREAS, it has been determined to be advantageous to the Department in the proper discharge of its responsibilities to make certain equipment available to the Cooperator;

NOW THEREFORE, the parties to this Agreement do hereby agree as follows:

The Department Agrees: 1. To assist the Cooperator in providing reasonable basic protection from uncontrolled fires occurring in natural cover fuels and to conduct a prevention program to reduce the number of such fires.

### Lunch Menu

LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS Menu, Dec. 17: Lettuce or Goulash, Peanut Butter, French Bread & P-nut Butter, Assorted Whipped Desserts or Fruit, Milk.

Menu, Dec. 18: Cheeseburgers or Hamburgers and Pickles, Tossed Salad, Buttered Corn, Chilled Fruit, Cookies or Buns, Milk.

Menu, Dec. 19: Oven fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes or Rice and Gravy, Dinner Rolls or Bread, P-nut Butter or Jelly, Choice of Jello or Fruit, Milk.

Menu, Dec. 20: Fruit Juice, Pizza, Cabbage Salad or Vegetables, Assorted Fruits, Milk.

Menu, Dec. 21: Grilled Cheese Sandwiches and Pickles, Tater Tots and Catsup, Vegetable Soup or Baked Beans, Choice of Fruits and Jello, Milk.

Have a nice vacation... MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Thursday, Dec. 13, Lowell travels to Cedar Springs, J.V. starts at 6:15, then Varsity at 7:15. The Olivet Tournament will be held Saturday, Dec. 15, at 10:15. Finals will start at 5:30. J.V. will be at Saranac—T.N.

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### CITY OF LOWELL PUBLIC NOTICE

A Public Hearing will be held before the Lowell City Council on Monday,

December 17, 1979

at 8:00 o'clock p.m., in the Council Room of City Hall, 301 East Main Street.

The purpose of the Hearing will be the request of Lowell Mfg. Corp. for the establishment of an Industrial Development District, within the City of Lowell, in accordance with Public Act 198, Public Acts of 1974.

Ray E. Quada, City Clerk

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## Red Cross Needs \$\$ Relief Itself

Calling its financial situation precarious and grim, the American Red Cross has launched a \$15 million nationwide fund drive to support its disaster relief operations throughout the world.

In a letter to President Carter, the honorary Chairman of the American Red Cross, Jerome H. Holland cited disaster relief expenses and commitments of more than \$23 million since the beginning of the Red Cross fiscal year, July 1.

Red Cross funds earmarked for disaster relief are completely exhausted due to an unprecedented series of catastrophes.

The major portion of the more than \$23 million spent on emergency relief is attributed to three violent storms this summer, Hurricanes David and

Frederic and Tropical Storm Claudette.

In addition to the three major storms, Red Cross volunteers and staff were working during this same time period on floods and tornado operations in such diverse areas as California, Indiana, Maryland, Louisiana and Connecticut. Massive snow storms in Colorado and Buffalo, New York, have been the most recent Red Cross disaster experiences this year. Cost figures for aiding the victims of these blizzards are estimated at \$1.5 million.

The Kent County Chapter of the American Red Cross has been assigned a quota of \$41,703 as its share of the national Red Cross disaster appeal.

Heading the local disaster fund campaign is Dr. James J.

Gallagher, Kent County Red Cross Chapter Chairman. "The ravages of a large-scale disaster have not hit the residents of Kent County yet this year," said Gallagher. "But we have come to expect at least one crippling blizzard in our area each year and in the past we have called on the National Red Cross disaster relief fund for help for local blizzard victims," he added.

All Red Cross disaster assistance is provided at no charge to the victims. All contributions for the Red Cross Disaster Relief Campaign are tax-deductible and should be sent to the Kent County Red Cross, 1050 Fuller, NE, Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49503.

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## Spring In December !!?



If spring is here in December, can The Annual Blizzard be far behind? Area residents are urged to enjoy this week's balmy weather. Take time to pleasure in the sight of a pair of swans still a-swimming on the Flat River. Get the rake back out and finish raking those leaves you thought were buried until 1980. And buy another pair of long underwear with the memory of last year's bone-chilling snowfall which buried cars and driveways alike. The photo above is of Wittenbach's Sales and Service.

### TAX REFUND CHECKS WAITING FOR OWNERS

The Internal Revenue Service is holding 1,530 tax refund checks, totaling over \$600,000, for Michigan taxpayers. The checks represent tax refunds for 1978, and some prior years, mailed to addresses shown on tax returns, but sent back as "undeliverable" by the U.S. Postal Service. IRS believes the checks, in most instances, could not be delivered because taxpayers had moved and left no forwarding addresses. The agency recommends that any taxpayer who is still expecting a refund for 1978, or earlier, contact the agency's Problem Resolution Program office (PRP).



cozy corner

By Roger Brown

I saw one of my brothers the other day, and does he ever have a problem. He's got a stiff neck and it's a real doozy. He looks like the Frankenstein monster as he walks around very slowly, stiff legged and with his arms limp at his sides so as to avoid any unnecessary movement that might jar his neck. When he turns to talk to someone, he has to twist his whole upper torso.

It's comical as heck to watch, but it's anything but funny to him. I know, because I had the same thing happen to me once.

It was a long time ago, because I was still in high school, but I remember it like it was yesterday. Like a big dummy, I kept thinking that my stiff neck would go away by itself. I walked around like a zombie for a week or more until the pain finally got the best of me and I went to a doctor.

I should explain here, that I have to be near death to go see a doctor. I went to see a doctor when I had my knee twisted like a pretzel playing football. I went to see a doctor when I saved my big toe half off with a circular saw. I went to see a doctor with third degree burns on my arm from splattered molten lead. But anything short of things like that, I rely on my home remedies or just suffer with it.

So, in order for me to go to a doctor with a stiff neck it had to be one heckuva stiff neck. In fact, there should be a better term for it, something like "agonizing neck", "torturous neck", or "unendurable neck". Stiff neck is just putting it too mildly.

The doctor that I went to was not a chiropractor, but he did employ many chiropractic methods in his treatments. When he had finally diagnosed my problem, he jumped up onto the examination table with me.

Not knowing what he was up to, I was scared to death. But as it turned out, it's better I didn't know because I'd have been out the door in a second.

I was sitting up on the table and he got me in some type of a wrestler's hold with one of his knees on my chest and the other in my back. Then he got a death grip on my head and asked if I was ready, simultaneously twisting my head and neck about 180 degrees with a sudden jerk.

I thought he had killed me and nearly passed out. He climbed down from the table and told me to try moving my head. I couldn't believe it, I was 100% cured with that one simple twist.

I wonder if my brother would trust me to give him the same treatment?

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