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## Jimmy reopens to delight of patrons

It wasn't quite business as usual Sunday at Jimmy's Grill, located south of Lowell at the corner of Grand River and Hastings Rds. It was a mob scene!

Jimmy Still and Donald Holmes, co-owners of the restaurant and bakery, held their Grand Re-Opening Sunday, March 23, to the delight of their loyal customers.

A tragic fire gutted the building on November 21, 1976, taking the life of Jim-

my's father, Alex. The restaurant had been a family affair for 22 years. It withstood the opening of I-96 which drove most of the businesses on old U.S. 16 out of operation.

The Grill was famous throughout the area for its homebaked goods and large portions, especially Alex's special blueberry muffins, and truckers and farmers didn't mind the extra bend in the road to get to Jimmy's.

Still and his father-in-law Don have kept the tradition of Jimmy's Grill alive. It's still a family affair, still sells marvelous homebaked goods and serves those generous country portions. The blueberry muffins still melt in your mouth.

Folks lined up at 10:30 a.m. waiting for the doors to open on Sunday and there were still people in line to be served at 8:30 p.m. Area television cameras were there to capture the excitement. Well-wishers sent 62 bouquets to welcome Still and Holmes back to the area. Many were sent to Grand Rapids hospitals and nursing homes so there'd be room for the diners.

Originally, Jimmy was in partnership with his father and mother, Marie. Although she is now in a nursing home and unable to work at the Grill, Marie was present at the Grand Re-Opening, giving her broad smiles to those who came.



Jimmy Still, his wife Doreen and his son Jimmy Jr. were surrounded by bouquets from well-wishers on the Grand Re-Opening of Jimmy's Grill south of Lowell last Sunday. Jimmy's partner is Donald Holmes of Saranac, his father-in-law. Jimmy Jr. is a ventriloquist who has appeared on the Lowell Showboat. When you add Donna Holmes (Don's wife and Doreen's mom), you get the picture that Jimmy's Grill is a real family affair.

Now, the working family is made up of Still and his wife Doreen, his son Jimmy Jr., Holmes and his wife Donna of Saranac.

Remodeling of the Grill began on December 28, 1979, with Holmes and his son Gary doing all the work. Because there was no insurance on the restaurant when it burned, it has taken the family three years to rebuild. In the meantime, Still has been a chef for three years at Sayfee's East in Grand Rapids. Holmes was laid off with the closing of the Chrysler Trim Plant in Lyons. The pair credit their friends and neighbors with lots of help in the rebuilding process.

Closed Mondays, the rest of the week the Grill is open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. For Jimmy and his family, however, the day begins at 6 a.m. every morning to get the baking underway. No prepared mixes of any kind are used. All of the recipes for the homebaked goods are handed down family recipes and none have been put on paper.

"People have been nothing but great," said Jimmy with a smile his mother would have approved of.



Jimmy's Grill is the "Home of the Blueberry Muffin" and other grand homebaked goods. Jimmy Still, co-owner, has the recipes for all those goodies in his head, a legacy from his father Alex who was killed in the fire which swept through the Grill in November of 1976.



**SEASON FOR FIRSTS**

With the advent of Spring comes renewed emphasis on "firsts". The first bluebirds, a pair, were seen by Mrs. Vaughan, Beckwith NE on March 18. The first crocuses broke ground in flower beds all over town last week. The first spring coats found their way from the closet last week. Several people reported the first robins. The first spring snow shoveling occurred on Monday.

**VACTION TIME**

Spring break for the Lowell area school children is next week, Mar. 31 through April 4. It's back to school on Monday, April 7. Parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for Wednesday, April 9. There will be no school that day.

**INTERESTED IN WALKING???**

Lowell Area Jaycees are planning their "Walk-a-thon '80" for May 3 with proceeds going to the West Michigan Poison Control Center. Anyone interested in walking that day should contact the co-chairmen, Ken Olson at 897-8022, or Bill Green at 897-9850.

**COUNTING ON YOU**

The highly heralded Census '80 questionnaire from the U.S. Bureau of the Census should hit your mailbox this week. Watch for the large white envelope with blue lettering. With the questionnaire will be a yellow instruction guide that tells how to fill it out, and a brown, pre-addressed, postage-paid envelope for mailing it back. (Color-coded. Clever.) The thing is to be filled out and mailed back no later than Tuesday, April 1. Looks like an after-supper family-style do-it-or-else number to us.

**BELIEVE IT**

Secretary of State Richard H. Austin wants you to know that everyone has to purchase license plate tabs by Monday, Mar. 31 if they intend to drive around Michigan. The confusion has arisen with the changeover on your NEXT birthday to buying license plates or tabs annually on your very own birthdate. For now, just remember that you'd better make the trip to the Secretary of State's offices in Ionia or Grand Rapids for those license tabs or come Tuesday, the law will be looking for you.

**OFF THE BLOTTER**

Lodged in the Kent County jail on a warrant issued by the friend of the Court was Robert Wacha on Monday, Mar. 17. Armore LaBine was lodged in the Kent County jail for

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**Lowell Chamber To Meet Wednesday**

A special meeting of the Lowell Area Business Association and the Lowell Chamber of Commerce will be held on Wednesday, Mar. 26, at 8 p.m. at Paul's Showboat Restaurant. All area business men and women are urged to attend.

At its March 12 meeting, the LABA came to several decisions which will have great impact on both organizations. From the outset, there had been questions raised as to whether the LABA was a duplication of Lowell's Chamber of Commerce since both groups have as their goal the promo-

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<p><b>STRAND</b> Theatre</p> <p>One Show Each Night at 8 p.m.</p> <p>Monday Is Bargain Night</p>	<p>Fri., March 28 thru Mon., March 31</p> <p>Burt Lancaster Peter O'Toole Simon Ward</p> <p><b>ZULU DAWN</b></p> <p><small>PGI PARENTAL GUIDANCE SUGGESTED - (P) FOR ALL AGES</small></p>	<p><b>SHOWING FOR 3 NIGHTS</b></p> <p>Tues.-Wed.-Thurs. April 1-2-3</p> <p><b>"IN SEARCH OF HISTORIC JESUS"</b></p> <p>Rated G</p>
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### W. Berlin Church to give Lenten Presentation

A dramatic presentation of "The Last Supper" will be given at the West Berlin Wesleyan Church, on March 30, 1980, at 7 p.m.

The presentation is done by laymen and women of Faith United Methodist Church, Delton, Michigan. This is a still drama, portraying the final eve of the life of our Lord Jesus Christ, and focused upon the statement of Jesus, "One of you shall betray me."

The drama is the work of Ernest K. Emurian, a U.M.

church and to accept limited requests from other churches. This has led to dozens of presentations in churches of various denominations around the state.

The West Berlin Wesleyan Church is located at Portland & Bliss Roads, 1/2 mile south of I-96 expressway, between exits 59 and 64.

Nearly 40 persons take part in the total production involving music, makeup, lighting, etc., as well as the dramatic parts. Since it was first done in Delton in 1972, the church has made it a part of their Lenten activity to do the drama in their own

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Navy Machinist's Mate 3rd Class Charles M. Gouchenour, son of Cecil C. and Norma L. Gouchenour of 12138 Bowes Road, Lowell, has completed the Basic Machinist's Mate Course at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes. A 1979 graduate of Lowell High School, he joined the Navy in August 1979.

Pvt. David A. Wilcox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. Wilcox, 10958 Five Mile, Ada, recently completed a Hercules missile crewman course at Fort Bliss, Texas.

Marine Cpl. Kathy A. Albus, daughter of Edward and Donna R. Albus of 107 S. Alden Nash, Lowell, has been meritoriously promoted to her present rank while serving with 1st Force Service Support Group, Camp Pendleton, Calif. She received the accelerated promotion in recognition of outstanding performance, duty proficiency and demonstrated professional abilities. A 1977 graduate of Lowell Senior High School, she joined the Marine Corps in September 1978.

Richard Dykstra of Lowell who is spending the winter together with his wife, in Tucson, Arizona writes that he recently had the pleasure of attending a luncheon at The Cave, a famous restaurant in Nogales, Mexico, given in honor of Howard VanderClute, National Commander of the VFW, The Arizona State Commander, and his assistant were also honored as well as the Commander of the VFW, the Mayor and the President of the Chamber of Commerce of the City of Nogales, Arizona.

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### Obituaries

**KOHN** — York D. Kohn, aged 80 of 9620 Potter Road, Saranac, passed away Tuesday evening, March 18, 1980 at Cherry Creek Nursing Home.

Born Dec. 21, 1899, the son of Anthony and Minnie Gork Kohn, York farmer, Keene Township all of his life. He married Margaret TenCate in May of 1923 who preceded him in death in 1970.

He is survived by on daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew (Elaine) Olson of Saranac; one brother, Paul Koh of Belding and one granddaughter, Jan Olson of Detroit.

Services were held Saturday at the Lake Funeral Home in Saranac with Rev. Edwin Mendenhall officiating. Interment Saranac Cemetery.

**MITCHELL** — Clara Mitchell, 86, of 523 Grant St. died Thursday, Mar. 20, 1980 in Ionia County Memorial Hospital.

She was born Dec. 12, 1893 in Missouri, and married Mose Mitchell March 4, 1915. He preceded her in death in 1961.

Mrs. Mitchell lived a her married life in Ionia, former employee of McLellan downtown.

She is survived by her sons, Donald of Saranac and Arthur of Coral; one daughter, Mrs. Ida May Tacker of Florida; 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services were Monday at the Myers-Roetman Funeral Home. Burial in Easton Cemetery.

**SPRING MEANS RHUBARB**

Rhubarb, the first food crop harvested in our state, spring, will soon be appearing in markets around the state to kick off another good season of "good things growing in Michigan!"

Rhubarb must be grown for two years prior to its first harvest.

Rhubarb stalks are perfectly safe to consume (eight inch pie requires about two pounds) but MDA Food Inspection officials warn that rhubarb leaves should not be eaten. They contain oxalic acid, a toxic substance.

# Lowell... in days gone by

Once upon a time, business establishments crowded long the north side of the Main Street bridge. In fact, even after being wiped out and again by flood and fire the stores were rebuilt.

The above photo was taken in the early 1950's and shows H. Runciman, prime mover and chairman of the Board of Trade for many years, surveying Main Street from what is now Lippert General Offices as it prepares for Showboat Week.

In the center, the old howboat bleachers and the Robert E. Lee stand ready, the establishment with awnings in the center of the street was Molly Wepman's clothing store. At the far end of that block is the small shop that now houses Lucchesi's.

On Jan. 2, 1958, most of that block burned. Stores were lost from Wepman's up to that last small shop. The only owner to rebuild this block was Mrs. Wepman. Her building now houses Pfaller's Riverfront Clothing.



Main Street had on its best bib and tucker for this photo in the early 1950's as it was readied to welcome visitors to Showboat Week. C. H. Runciman was one of the founding fathers of Lowell's Showboat. The businesses on the bridge suffered a tragic fire in the late 50's and the only building to be rebuilt is the building which now houses Pfaller's Riverfront Clothing.

### Letters

**Dear Editor,**

The Lowell Lions wish to thank our community heartily for their support of our recent Blood Drive. There was an excellent turnout with 48 pints of blood collected.

Please take note that the Alto Lions will hold their annual Blood Drive at the Alto Elementary School on Saturday, June 7.

Thank you.

Lowell Lions Club

**DEAR EDITOR**

Thank you to Lowell area residents for a successful Gong Show sponsored by Lowell Music Boosters. A special thank you to Bob Perrin, Dee Murray and their helpers, Tina Sciliano, contestants and helpers, Judges, Birchwood Gardens and, last but not least, to music student parents for baked goods donations and the Don Videan family for beautifully decorated raffle cakes.

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## Last Lenten review next Wed.

On Wednesday, April 2, Patty Gunn of the Continuing Education department of Grand Rapids Junior College will be the guest speaker at the third and last of this year's Lenten Review Series at the Lowell YMCA.

Ms. Gunn has chosen to talk about Nancy Friday's "My Mother/Myself", bringing out the issues she wrestled with while reading the book and leading her listeners into discussion of their own reactions. Also referred to for further prob-

ing of the unique relationship between mothers and daughters will be "Of Woman Born", written by the feminist poet, Adrienne Rich.

The program, open to all, will begin at 10 a.m., following a fifteen-minute period for refreshments and conversation.

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## HOMESPUN DEVOTIONS

by Pauline E. Spray



...he looked for a city... whose builder and maker is God (Hebrews 11:10).

Candy was a scarce item at our house. When Dad returned from town with a sack of candy, we huddled around the table while he rationed it out in equal portions. Around and around he went adding a piece to each little pile until the sack was empty, making certain we each had the same amount. While the rest of us thought of the present and satisfying our appetites immediately, our sister, Opal looked to the future. After we'd licked the last drop of sweetening off our fingers, she would appear nibbling daintily on her sweets. We watched (and drooled) in silent agitation.

Abraham and Lot also came from the same stock and environment. They had much in common. But they differed in that Lot thought only of the present when he chose the world of the plain of Jordan, while Abraham thought of the future and the heavenly city. Lot was near-sighted. His uncle was farsighted and glimpsed the reward waiting in the distance.

It's wise to improve the

present, but we must not become so involved with temporal demands, Christians, that we neglect to look to the future. When it comes to this, we could all take a lesson from "Opal's example."

Prayer: Heavenly Father, I thank Thee for the promise of an eternal home. May I never grow so busy and near-sighted that I neglect Thee and thereby fail to lay claim on the heavenly mansion. Keep my eyes on the prize. Help me to look to the future. Amen.

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## Reflections From Outer Space

By Rev. Jerry Bates

We had a good time on vacation. We enjoyed the warmth of the southern sun and fussed about the cold of the northern one. But we had a lot of fun. One of the events that meant a lot to us was that we got to walk on a gulf beach again.

Mardelle and I have walked on a lot of gulf beaches. We have done it often in Florida. It brought back a lot of memories, especially as we were able to pick up shells off of the beach again.

The strange thing is that each beach seems to have a different type of shell that washes up. One beach will have olive shells, another will have crown. And upon another beach the waves will wash up what we call butter-flies. This I have never been able to figure out.

One of the things that interests me is the vast differences in coloring of particular kind of shell. One shell will have circles of dark and then lighter circles. Another will be dark all over. It is difficult to realize the variances of color unless you hold several shells in your hand.

God seems to spend much time making even the shells different. He gives time so lavishly and freely. He just seems to pour it out upon His creations. And the shells of a certain variety are not like in color configuration or size. A neither are the flowers of a variety all alike. God gives each one of them their own unique personality.

And so He does with us. Some place in our creation process, He gives to certain characteristics a tendencies. The situation our home works upon we are given. And we come different. It is interesting to me that children in the same home can be different, even they are of the same sex and nearly the same age.

I just thrill at how God made each of us different. We end up having different personalities and different looks and different ideas, just makes my heart sing like the differences. The part is learning to live with the differences that God given us. I need to recognize that you think different than do and even that the words we speak mean something different to each of us. As thus we fail to communicate at times and often get angry at each other. We need celebrate our differences. We be glad for them.

Let's also recognize they are involved in every relationship we have with each other, affect the way we see each other and the relationship develops.

## OPEN LETTER

Dear friends,  
Where to hold funeral services is a matter which must be decided by the family. If service are to be held in church, be advised that we are familiar with the procedures and ritual of the various denominations and are equipped to serve in any church designated.

Respectfully,

*Card Case*

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Quilling, God's Eye and athercraft are three of even craft options for local uth to explore at the nual "Spring 4-H Craftorkshop for Kids". All uth, nine and up, 4-H and n 4-H, are invited Tuesy, April 1, from 9:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m. at the First ited Methodist Church in ia.

The craft options include: ranian Egg Decorating led Sharon Carroll; Leather-ft Tooling and Lacing led Edie Chambers and Wil-Ackerson; "God's Eye" y Jean Greenhoe and dyds Pitchford; "Memory que" led by Jan Leak and ry Thompson; Calico Cat og led by Alma Barr and

Lana Seiler; Stain Glass Canle Holder led by Liz Hausserman; Norma Bever and Marge Swiler; Quilling Rabbit and Egg Carton Rabbit led by Marion Whitlock, Jody Seiler and Karen and Mary Jo Barr.

All crafts with the exception of Ukrainian Eggs, will be completed in one session. Ukrainian Eggs will require two sessions. All crafts will cost \$1 per person, per session; Ukrainian eggs will cost \$1 for the two sessions. Everyone bring a sack lunch. COME 'N GET EM—Scratch pads are back at the Ledger for a CHEAP, CHEAP, CHEAP 50¢ per pound. 105 N. Broadway.

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To register, go to the Student Services Office in the Library/Administration Building between 6 and 6:15 p.m. on the night of the first class.

## Tower on All Star Team

Saranac's Ben Tower was named to the 1979-80 WOTV All Star Basketball first team. The announcement was made by WOTV Sports Director Warren Reynolds.

Three teams were named and consist of the 18 outstanding high school athletes as selected by the balloting of 250 high school coaches in Western and Central Michigan. The coaches choices were made without regard to the players' high school or their team's class ranking.

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Each All Star team member will receive a bronze medalion in recognition of his performance throughout the 1979-1980 season. This is the 24th season that WOTV has honored the individual achievers in the area's high school basketball programs.

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## Gasohol and farm stills take limelight in talks on rural energy survival

About 100 people, most of them farmers, gathered Tuesday morning at Michigan State University for a Farmers' Week presentation on "Rural Energy Survival." But more than half stayed only long enough to hear the talk entitled, "Gasohol: Does it Make Sense?"

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It was one more sign among many in the past several months that Michigan farmers are eager for information about on-farm production of alternative fuels, particularly alcohol. But speakers at the presentation told the group that alcohol and other liquid fuel substitutes for petroleum products remain shrouded in questions and controversy. Guest speaker Robert Herendeen, a physicist and member of the Energy Research Group at the University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana, told farmers and other participants that gasohol is interesting but requires more research. Herendeen and other researchers at the University of Illinois have been studying the potential production and use of gasohol, a fuel mix combining 90 percent gasoline and 10 percent ethanol. Their work has demonstrated that gasohol may be a practical alternative for farms, but only if it is produced and used under specific conditions. Critics of gasohol claim that production of the fuel consumes more energy than it produces. Herendeen, however, said that gasohol definitely emerges as a "net fuel producer," yielding more energy than it takes to make. But the words were barely out of his mouth when he began to outline the limitations of the fuel. To produce

more energy than it consumes, the alcohol used to make gasohol must be produced with something other than a liquid fuel, he said. If petroleum products, rather than crop residues, are used to feed a still, there may be little or no net gain in liquid fuel energy. Herendeen warned that neither farmers nor the nation should think that gasohol is a panacea for U.S. energy ills. "Gasohol isn't going to do it for the nation," he said. It may reduce farmers' dependence on petroleum, but it cannot provide enough energy for the whole country. Even for agriculture, he said, "true energy self-sufficiency is a pretty elusive concept," because farmers rely heavily on petroleum-based products such as fertilizers. Acres of crops might be used for fuel production instead of food, but farmers still will need petroleum products to grow them. The only immediate and widespread ease of the energy crunch lies in conservation, Herendeen said. "Everybody wants to import liquid fuels from someone else," he noted. Somewhere, some people are going to have to cut back. His comments echoed the words of State Rep. Perry Bullard, D-Ann Arbor, who told the assembly that Americans are "oil addicts" who have to break the habit of ever-increasing demands for more oil. He pointed to statistics that show that U.S. oil consumption has increased 35 percent since 1973 and runs eight times the world average. "Unfortunately, as a nation," he said, "we haven't learned much since the oil embargo. The U.S. is painting itself into a corner." Bullard said Americans would have to look for ways to bolster mass transit and

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## School News

### Kids freestyle tourney held here

Last Saturday the Lowell Wrestling Club hosted a SWF Kids freestyle tournament in Lowell and 27 out of 6 Lowell wrestlers placed in the top 3. Placing first in the 8 years and under class were: Jim Heman, Scott Nagy, Phillip Heintzleman, George Smith and Al Heintzleman. Second place was awarded to Dan Undermeulen. Receiving

third place: Todd Swanson, David Hath, Steven Woodhead and Art Ward. The following boys also wrestled in the tournament: Michael Heintzleman, Brad Briggs, Andy Wester, Mike Fuller, Owen Smith, Nathan Nauta, Mike Foss, Paul Routsan, Jeff Speersta, Todd Brunekool, Chris Thompson, Pat Nugent, Shawn Smith. In the 9-10 year group the following boys placed first: Mike Rivers and David VanderMuelen. Second place: Brett Nagy, Greg Zimmerman and Kyle Gildea. Third place finishers: Dale Ensign and Tom Nugent. These boys also wrestled: John Stewart, Jeff Batey and Scott Whaley.

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Lowell Music Boosters report that their drive to fund uniforms for the high school music department is continuing to receive support. Donations received this week include a full uniform cost from Dr. and Mrs. Norm Borgerson, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Layer, and the cost of five uniforms from the Lowell Music Boosters. Also donating were Industrial Tool and Machine, Lowell Evening Club, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Christenson, Dr. and Mrs. James Main, Olin Equipment Co., Curtis Cleaners.

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## Coming Events

**WED., MAR. 26:** Lowell YMCA sponsors 2nd Lenten review. Priscilla Lussmyer will present Paul L. Maier's "The First Easter". Public is invited to the Y rooms for coffee at 9:45; the program begins at 10 a.m.

**THURS., MAR. 27:** Ecumenical Breakfast at St. Robert's Catholic Church in Ada. "Magnificat" by Tanya Vonnegut Beck.

**THURS., MAR. 27:** Cub Scout Pack 3188 Pancake Dinner at First United Methodist Church from 5 to 7 p.m. \$3 adults, 12-under \$1.50, 5-under free. Menu, Pancakes, sausage, applesauce, sherbet and coffee, tea or milk.

**WED., APR. 2:** Free film "Living the Good Life" with Helen and Scott Nearing at Alto Library at 1:30 p.m.

**WED., APR. 2:** Lowell YMCA sponsors 3rd Lenten review. Patty Gunn will discuss "My Mother/My Self" by Nancy Friday and "Of Woman Born" by Adrienne Rich. Public is invited to the Y rooms for coffee at 9:45; the program begins at 10 a.m.



**cozy corner**

By Roger Brown

I must be leading a pretty dull life lately. The reason I say this, is because I've been sitting here at my typewriter for nearly an hour, and still haven't come up with anything to write about. It's not so much that I haven't been doing anything, as it is that nothing peculiar or out-of-the-ordinary seems to happen to me lately. Consequently, I've really run short on material for this column.

For example, a couple of weeks ago, I couldn't sleep at night, so I took my dog for a walk at about six a.m. Nothing unusual about that, and certainly no column material there. But, if he had run away and forced me into spending an entire Saturday looking for him, well I surely could have woven a "Cozy Corner" out of that. No such luck. However, he did set a new world's record for the number of bushes, trees and shrub scented in a five mile walk.

We went to visit my brother-in-law in Douglas, last Sunday. While we were there, we went to an open house at one of the marinas. We climbed in, over and under big boats, little boats, sailboats, power boats, and houseboats and the kid never broke a thing. Now how the heck am I supposed to write my column about well-behaved kids? About the worst thing that they did was to pilfer half the cookies from the refreshment table. No column in that.

I borrowed my dad's car a few weeks ago while I had mine in for repairs. Normally when I borrow something from him, I lose it, scratch it, dent it, or totally wreck it. It always costs me a bunch of money to get whatever it was I broke, fixed again. But, at least I end up with material for a column. In this case, I didn't harm his car in any way and even returned washed and tanked up with gas. Disgusting.

In nearly eight years of marriage, we've never owned a set of scales. A couple of weeks ago, Terese finally bought scales, a real good one with a balance beam at the top like you'd find in a doctor's office. Well, I was just sure when she brought it home that I was in for a lot of pressure about my excess poundage. But, so far, "mum's the word". I do think she realizes how much I depend on her subtle antagonizing as material for this column.

Who says you can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear? If you can write a column about not having anything to write about then I guess nothing is impossible. Of course this column ain't no silk purse.



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**DOROTHY GIRARD** SS 363-36-7726 Plaintiff,

vs. **WILLIAM GIRARD** SS Unknown Defendant.

Honorable Roman J. Snow (P-20747), Circuit Judge.

At a session of said Court held in the Hall of Justice Building in the City of Grand Rapids, on the 6th day of March, 1980.

On the 27th day of February, 1980, an action was filed by Dorothy Girard, Plaintiff, against William Girard, said Defendant, in this Court for absolute divorce.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED**

that the Defendant, William Girard, whose last known address is unknown for the last 18 years, shall answer or take other such action as may be permitted by law on or before the 6th day of June, 1980.

Failure to comply with this order will result in a Judgment of Default against said Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this cause.

Roman J. Snow, Honorable Circuit Judge Examined, Countersigned & Entered: M.A. Diedrich, Clerk.

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A budget shall be submitted for consideration which includes Federal Revenue Sharing entitlement funds.

Citizens attending the hearing have the right to provide written and oral comments and ask questions concerning the entire budget and the relationship of entitlement funds to the entire budget.

A copy of the entire proposed budget shall be available for public inspection at the Clerk's residence, 1051 Lincoln Lake Avenue, Lowell, by appointment. Phone 897-8365 after 5 p.m.

Irene Osborne  
Vergennes Township Clerk

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# Society Notes

## Lowell girl in Miss Michigan pageant



Tonja Sue O'Neil

Tonja Sue O'Neil of Lowell was a contestant in the Miss Michigan/USA/Universe pageant held in Mt. Clemens, Michigan last week-end. She was one of 100 girls chosen to compete in the state pageant to become Michigan's representative to the Miss USA contest.

Tonja is a senior at Lowell High School and is studying with Auston's for a career in modeling. She also works as a dental assistant for Dr. Robert Reagan.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry O'Neil of Lowell are Tonja's parents.

Greenfield Village is an outdoor museum village of more than 80 historic buildings. Carriage or sleigh rides are offered in appropriate seasons. Village hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Guided tours only. First tour 9:30 a.m., last tour 3:30 p.m.

## Six earn degrees at Ferris

Six area students are included on the list of those who earned degrees at Ferris State College during the winter quarter.

From Lowell: Melinda R. Blough, Associate in Applied Science degree, Printing Major; Steven C. Graham, Associate in Applied Science degree, Heavy Equipment Service major, with high distinction; Jon F. Monroe, Bachelor of Science, Pharmacy major; Brian D. Richmond, Associate of Applied Science degree, Heavy Equipment Service major.

From Ada: Thomas P. Kilgore, Associate in Applied Science degree, Auto Service major, with distinction; Marcia L. Stiles, Associate in Applied Science degree, Nursing major.

## Local chairmen help conquer CF

The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation has announced the names of local Chairmen in the 1980 "Cyclin" for CF Bike-a-thon throughout the state of Michigan.

Lowell's chairman is Don Buege. In Alto, Eldred Durkee and the Alto Lions Club will spearhead the event.

Bike-a-thons will be held in approximately 360 Michigan communities and 79 counties during the months

of April, May and June. An anticipated four to five thousand cyclists will support the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation in their efforts to raise the much needed money to carry on research and conquer CF. Through the "Cyclin" for CF Bike-a-thon events, local residents have an excellent opportunity to use their health and energy on behalf of these children with lung diseases.

## Young artists win spot in region show

Five surrounding county schools submitted artworks to be judged at a recent Michigan Art Education Association seminar in Saranac recently. The judges chose sixteen pieces from those

submitted to be part of the 1980 Region Art Show. Two of the sixteen chosen were created by students from Lowell Senior High School. The works belong to Mary Jo Fox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fox of 10122 Downes Rd., and to Diane Koolman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Koolman of 3015 Lincoln Lake Rd. The students' artworks are on display at Mutual Home Federal Savings & Loan on 28th St. SW in Grand Rapids until April 10.

Receiving honorable mention for their works were: Melissa Mendez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mendez of 8874 Morse Lake Rd.; and Jelene Poulas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Poulas of 4885 Gavin Lake Rd.

After April 10, the student artworks will be taken to East Lansing for competition to be included in the state show. The state show will be held at Central Michigan University from May 15 through May 17.

## Co-op club meets

Twenty members and one guest met at the home of Marsha Wilcox on Thursday, March 6, for the 1980 season's first meeting.

Mrs. Ann Scott of Cedar Springs, a former Extension Home Economist, was the day's guest speaker. Her topic, "Self Worth", was well received and offered some challenging ideas.

The club's next meeting will be held at the home of Doris Faust on Thursday, April 3. Dorothy Randall's program for the day is "Are You a Good Neighbor?"

## if it fitz'

By Jim Fitzgerald

After claiming he won a presidential primary he lost, Ted Kennedy looked into a TV camera and explained: "It's a 15-inning fight, and this is only the first round."

Candidates often see a parallel between sports and political campaigns. If they could see the same parallel, it would be to the advantage of athletes, especially gymnasts who perform on parallel bars. In case you're not familiar with gymnastics, I'm here to tell you that parallel bars are two saloons across the street from each other.

If athletes played games the way politicians run campaigns, there would be no agony of defeat. There would be only the thrill of victory over an opponent, or over the polls, or over the experts' expectations, or over the rainbow. A rainbow victory can be scored when, for example Jerry Brown is not even entered in the race, but Judy Garland wins on write-in votes.

When the polls predict a primary candidate will get only 15 percent of the total vote, but he gets 18 percent, he is a winner, even though his opponent got 82 percent. The two percent upset gives him the momentum he needs for the next primary election. Without momentum, a candidate lacks confidence. To win the next race, he must be confident of finding another poll that predicted that he would receive fewer votes than the number of his local campaign aides, thus making another victory over the polls possible.

If a candidate can't find a poll that forecast he would do worse than he did, he can still win if he can find an expert who underestimated his performance. An expert is anyone whose opinions are publicized through any medium more sophisticated than chalk on a blackboard. If the most obscure columnist predicted publicly that the candidate would receive fewer votes than he got, the candidate can justifiably claim victory by virtue of having "fooled the media." Expert opinions can be written in crayon as long as the paper is lined.

In the absence of a poll or an expert to beat, the candidate who loses to his opponent can still take the rainbow route to a nonchalant victory. He does this by "not formally entering the race" in a certain state and not letting a cross-eyed distant cousin do all his campaigning there. Under these circumstances, if the candidate gets only one vote, he can claim a nonchalant victory. He can even say he would have won in a landslide if he'd sent a more attractive cousin.

It's easy to see how an athlete could benefit by using the strategy of a primary candidate. To borrow Ted Kennedy's simile, let's say a prizefighter is knocked out in the ninth inning. He can still claim a victory if he can find a poll that predicted he would last only until the fourth inning, or a little kid who printed on a rest room wall that his favorite boxer would make it to the seventh-inning stretch, as long as the wall was lined.

And if he can't find an appropriate poll or expert, the fighter can reach for the rainbow. He can claim lasting five innings was really a victory because he didn't really train for the fight and, in fact, his one-legged stepbrother did all his roadwork for him. If his beautiful wife had done his running, he would have won in the first round on a bases-loaded uppercut.

You might wonder whether sports fans would appreciate these types of victories. Don't worry. The Detroit Pistons basketball team recently traded its best player, Bob Lanier, to Milwaukee. The Pistons immediately lost 13 in a row while Milwaukee seems headed for a championship. A sympathetic Lanier told a reporter if he wins a championship ring he will give it to Detroit Mayor Coleman Young. City Hall sources say Young is already planning a ticker tape parade to greet the ring when it arrives by mail. Sports fans will accept any type of victory.

There is just one important thing to keep in mind. As Ted Kennedy might say, a baseball player will never win a prizefight in parallel bars simultaneously unless the street between them is mighty narrow.



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## Address change could delay refund

A tax refund can be delayed if the address or social security number recorded on your return is incorrect or missing, the Internal Revenue Service says.

To avoid errors in the identification blocks of the tax return, use the peel-off label that comes with every tax package. Name, address, and social security number are preprinted on it, which saves the taxpayer time, and helps to insure accuracy.

While a taxpayer may have notified the postal service of a change of address, this

is not sufficient for the IRS. Any changes in name, address, or social security number should be made directly on the label in ink.

**HORSELESS CARRIAGE BIG HIT AT BIG TOP**  
The main attraction at the April 2, 1896 opening of the Barnum and Bailey Circus was neither the elephants nor the aerial acts. Instead a shiny new 1896 Duryea Motor Wagon, a newfangled horseless carriage, led the impressive parade. The only surviving 1896 Duryea is now on exhibit at Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn, MI.

## Local chapter at FFA Convention

Members of the Lowell FFA Chapter were part of approximately 2,000 people attending the 52nd Annual State FFA Convention at Michigan State University in East Lansing, March 19-21, during Farmer's Week. This year's theme was "Repairing for Progress."

Brian Peterson and Jamie Poll were official delegates; Sheila Nugent was alternate. Lynn Wilcox received the State FFA Degree and a gold Dairy Proficiency award. Chris Wingeier was selected as alternate for the National FFA Chorus. Marilyn Flanagan tried out for National FFA Band.



Attending the 52nd Annual State FFA Convention at MSU March 19-21 were Lowell representatives (L to R): Back row, Brian Peterson, Jamie Poll and Chris Wingeier; Front row, Sheila Nugent, Lynn Wilcox and Marilyn Flanagan.

## BRECH COLLECTION OF PORCELAIN

A temporary exhibition of the Brech Collection of English, European and Chinese Export porcelain mounted in the special exhibits building in the Museum's Street of Early American Shops offers more than 200 pieces, primarily 18th century dinner and tea ware. Henry Ford Museum. No additional charge beyond Museum admission.

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## Losses can bring tax relief

If your home, or a major part of it, was blown away or flooded last year, you have less than a month to tell the federal government about it on your 1979 income tax return.

Last year, the property of residents in 43 states was damaged heavily by torna-

does, hurricanes, floods, fires and a variety of other disasters. In addition, thousands of people were involved in auto accidents, were victimized by thefts or suffered other unexpected losses.

The Institute points out that in order to deduct a casualty or theft loss, you must be able to prove that you actually sustained a loss. You must provide a description of the casualty or theft item, when the loss was discovered, evidence that the loss was the direct result of the casualty or theft and that you were the owner of the property, list the fair market value of the property immediately before and after the loss, and the amount of insurance or other compensation that was received.

Items that would be helpful in proving your loss include police records of any accident or theft, repair bills and statements from witnesses. Photographs of the property before and after it was damaged are also helpful in establishing condition and value. An appraisal of the property before and after the loss is helpful in proving a casualty loss.

For those losses not entirely covered by insurance, a portion of the unreimbursed loss may be an allowable deduction on your federal income tax return, notes the Insurance Information Institute.

The Internal Revenue Service presently allows taxpayers to deduct personal casualty or theft losses for both real and personal property. Individuals may take advantage of this break only if they itemize their deductions. They can deduct the amount of the loss that is in excess of \$100, less any amount covered by insurance. Businesses are not subject to the \$100 exclusion.

The amount of the casualty of theft loss is the difference between the fair market value of the property immediately before and immediately after the loss. Sentimental value, the IRS points out, is not a factor in determining

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## Area donors to be honored

Nineteen persons from Lowell, Ada and Alto will be honored as outstanding blood donors at the Grand Valley Blood Program recognition ceremonies on March 27. "When you were needed, you were there," is the theme of the program which will be held at 7:30 p.m. at Central Reformed Church, 10 College, NE, in Grand Rapids.

Persons who have given three or more gallons of blood will be cited for their dedication to the health and well-being of the community by Norman Felker, chairman of the board for Grand Valley Blood Program.

Multi-gallon donors from Lowell are Richard Bont, 35

10580 36th; Robert Ellis, 2719 Bewell; Alphonse Kaeb, 11420 Peck Lake; Leo Pfaller, 333 S. Center; Kathleen Schutt, 5214 Kyser; and Gerald Wills, 102631 52nd.

Daniel Casey, 8050 45th; James Flaggert, 501 Green-tree; Stanley Noteboom, 7650 Apple Hill; Harold Tamblin, 7821 Sudbury; and Robert Van Strien, 8960 28th; all from Ada, have each given at least three gallons of blood.

From Alto, Robert Onan, 8149 68th, will be given a multi-gallon award.

In addition, individuals who have participated in the three-to-four leukopheresis procedure to help cancer or leukemia victims will receive certificates in recognition of

their support of the volunteer blood donor system in Kent County.

Area leukopheresis donors are Carol Anderson, 5779 Pratt Lake; Judy Osterhouse, 11045 Keystone; Terry Roer, 7361 Wimpose; Jack Trowbridge, 5990 Cascade Road; Jo Lovett, 8936 66th; Percy DeKam, 4532 East Shore; Larry McCall, 4587 Bellwood; Richard Bont and Robert Van Strien.

Patients in Kent County hospitals require approximately 24,000 pints of blood each year. All blood must come from volunteer blood donors and the Grand Valley Blood Program is the sole source for blood for all of Kent County.

## Happy Birthday

March 30: John McGalliard, Lisa Lawrence, Cheryl Braun, Shirley Rosenberger, Engle DeYoung, Edna Ford.  
March 31: Steven Aldrich.

Elmer Yeiter, Maxine Post, Marshall Pettit, John Ram-ject.  
April 1: Felix Hoge.  
April 2: Brent Collins, Lisa

Ryan.  
April 3: Maureen Doyle, Kenneth Bierl, Curly Howard, Iya Kinyon.

## River designation in limbo

Word has been received by the Tri-County Concerned Citizens Association that Circuit Court Judge Robert Holmes Bell, Ingham County Circuit Court, has ordered that the Michigan Department of Natural Resources is now prohibited from engaging in any further activity on the "designation" of the Flat River until January 1981.

Although maps have already been printed by the Natural Resources Commission showing the Flat River as a "designated" river, the order prohibits the distribution of such maps or any further advertisement of such designation.

At the same time the order requires that the eight townships which have adopted

local zoning ordinances to protect the Flat River, to maintain their ordinances and to enforce them. If this is not done, the order pertaining to the Natural Resources Commission becomes null and void, according to the information received by the association from their lawyer, John H. Bauckman, Kalamazoo.

Bauckman informed TCCC that he is anticipating that he will receive a motion for Summary Judgment from the Attorney General in the near future as well as a notice of a hearing on that motion.

At that time Bauckman would then submit a legal brief and present legal arguments orally to the court in opposition to the Attorney General's motion and in sup-

port of an order declaring the unconstitutionality of the Natural Rivers Act and the entire proceedings taken by the Department of Natural Resources under that act.

In addition, Bauckman reminded the group that at the time of the hearing legal counsel might have to present testimony of a factual nature concerning the degradation evident on the Betsy River and others which opponents of the act can trace to the time of the "designation" of the specific rivers.

This would show the results of the designation and publicizing of the fact; increased traffic and use of the river and therefore increased nuisance factors on the rivers affected.

## Why does she stay?

Why does any woman put up with being beaten by her husband? There is no simple answer to the question.

The battered woman stays because she has no place to go. Diann Landers, a lawyer with the Legal Aid, explains it this way. "We are talking about, in many instances, women who have graduated from high school or who may have had a year of college, maybe even a year of work experience. They now have young children; they haven't worked for years. In today's tight economic situation even skilled workers aren't getting jobs. These women, if they get a divorce, are forced to go onto the public assistance rolls and seek what little support the courts will force the husband to pay."

The battered woman stays because of fear. If she threatens to leave, he threatens to kill her. He handles the money so she has none. Frequently she has no access to the family car. Sometimes the woman feels that the known evil of battering is better than the uncertainty of survival if she leaves.

The battered woman is ashamed to admit that this awful thing is happening to her. She doesn't want to tell her parents or her friends for, in a way, she feels perhaps she deserves this punishment. She has been brought up to believe that it is the women's responsibility to make the marriage a happy one. If she admits failure of her marriage, she also admits failure as a human being.

And she stays because of hope. Almost always, the husband will promise never to do it again. He will buy his wife gifts and treat her almost as if they were on a honeymoon. Then the cycle begins, the tension builds, sometimes from the bills of things he bought her for the 'honeymoon' and then he beats her.

Eventually, if the wife does not leave after the first couple incidents, she begins to feel that she is losing control of her life. No matter what she does, and she usually does try to please her man, she is beaten. The victim is overwhelmed with a feeling of hopelessness and she accepts her lot in life as inescapable.

It was only at the advent of the YMCA Domestic Crisis Center that battered women were offered a chance for a better life. Emergency housing as well as counseling in all areas for both the

battered woman and her assailant is available.

"If it hadn't been for the Domestic Crisis Center, I wouldn't have been able to leave my husband," said one local victim. "I tried a couple times, but it never worked out. At the shelter there was someone to talk to. It was safe. I could get my anger out. I could get out of my situation and look it over."

Another described her experience. "Last summer I tried to leave my husband. I lived in hotels, on the beach, in my car. Before I left this time, I heard about the Domestic Crisis Center. I could stay there so I could be away from him. Always before I couldn't get on my own, so I went back to him."

"I left because I didn't want to take everything I was getting from my husband. I was feeling like his slave. There was both physical and mental abuse."

## No homework in Emeritus College

The fifth term of college-level classes for older Americans starts Wednesday, April 9 at Aquinas College. The topics, offered by the Emeritus College at Aquinas, include creative writing, a look at sacred and modern art, the theology of Teilhard De Chardin, a view of International Relations, genealogy, and an "investigation" of detective literature.

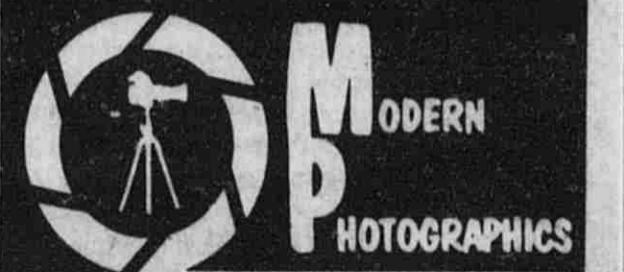
Classes at the Emeritus College are offered on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, mornings and afternoons. Serving specifically the fifty-plus generation, the College offers the seminar/courses on four week sessions.

For more information on class schedules and registration, contact Sr. Agnes Thiel at the Emeritus College at Aquinas, 459-8281, ext. 318.

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

Regular Meeting of Monday, March 3, 1980. 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: Councilmen Carter, Fonger, Maatman, Lessens and Collins.

ABSENT: Councilman Christiansen.

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Carter that the Minutes of the February 19 Meeting be approved as written, supported by Councilman Maatman.

Carried.

IT WAS THEN MOVED by Councilman Carter that the Minutes of the February 19 Meeting be approved as written, supported by Councilman Maatman.

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

Yes: All present.

No: None.

Absent: Councilman Christiansen.

### BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE TOTALS

General Fund	\$148,751.77
Major Street Fund	\$ 19,809.35
Local Street Fund	\$ 13,995.96
Sewer Fund	\$ 16,439.85
Water Fund	\$ 36,765.56
Equipment Fund	\$ 256.78
Storm Sewer Fund	\$ 34,500.00
Current Tax Collections	\$ 92,073.01
Trust and Agency Fund	\$ 29,863.07

### Approval of Cert. of Exemption for Newell Mfg. Co.

A discussion then ensued on the request of Newell Mfg. for a Certificate of Exemption which was tabled after the Public Hearing for a detailed discussion of Public Act 198.

Manager Quada stated that the approval of this request would bring the City's total of exempted property under the Act to approximately 10% of the total State Equalized Valuation. When the law was first enacted, a ceiling of 5% of total S.E.V. was allowed. Then legislators lifted the ceiling to allow more industries to take advantage of the act, leaving to the discretion of the local units of governments whatever percentage of S.E.V. they felt they could adequately allow without endangering revenue amounts.

He also stated that with all of the industries who have already been granted the exemption, and including Newell Mfg., none have required additional utilities installation at a cost to the City which would offset the exemption at a loss to the City. It would still mean an increase in revenue.

Mr. James Hazard and Mr. Russell Dunham representing Newell Mfg. were both present to answer questions. There were no further questions.

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Carter that the Certificate of Exemption be granted for a period of six years, with an option for an extension of an additional six years, to the full term allowed by the Act, supported by Councilman Maatman.

The discussion continued. Councilman Carter clarified his motion, stating that the legislators have made no provision for extending the Exemption Certificates to those industries who have been granted them for less than the full 12 years allowed by the act. He stated that because of the present trend of the economy, the Headlee amendment, and the Tisch and other similar tax cut proposals coming up in 1980, it would not be in the best interest of the City to grant the exemption for such a long period of time, thereby locking the City into a commitment when the economic situation may change drastically. By granting the option of an extension after six years, the company could then be eligible for the full 12 years of exemption, depending on the economy and a completely different Council at that time.

Mayor Collins then called for a ballot on the motion.

Yes: Councilman Carter.

No: Councilmen Fonger, Maatman and Collins.

Absent: Councilman Christiansen.

Councilman Maatman then stated he felt it was unfair to limit the company to six years, waiting to see if legislators would then grant extensions to existing certificate holders.

IT WAS THEN MOVED by Councilman Maatman that the Certificate of Exemption be granted to Newell Mfg. Co. for the full 12 years, supported by Councilman Fonger.

Yes: Councilmen Fonger, Maatman, and Collins.

No: Councilman Carter.

Absent: Councilman Christiansen.

### Presentation of Costs for M-21 Water/Sewer Installation

Mr. Mike Peters of Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and Huber, distributed copies of and made a presentation on the costs for installation of water and sewer services along M-21, from the existing lines in the Valley Vista area to the West City limits.

He explained two different alternatives, one to serve North of that area, with a few modifications to the lift station. Cost approximately \$46,000. The second would be for the southern area, between M-21 and Bowers Road, for approximately \$56,000. To do both would run about \$136,000 to \$147,000.

He also reported that the application for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion has been submitted and is being reviewed. If approved by Friday, the Step II application for design is ready for submission.

### D.P.W. Garage Bids

Council then discussed bids for the proposed D.P.W. Garage.

Manager Quada reported that the following quotes had been received:

Post Building Co.	\$ 74,000
Dan Vos, Inc.	\$121,000 building only
Wolverine Buildings	\$ 88,000 plus a fire wall, \$2,800

Manager Quada stated that in the best interests of the City the all steel construction was best, and recommended the bid be awarded to Wolverine Buildings for \$91,000.

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Carter that the bid for the construction of the D.P.W. Garage building be awarded to Wolverine Buildings, for \$91,000, supported by Councilman Maatman.

Yes: All present.

No: None.

Absent: Councilman Christiansen.

### 1979 Van Bids

Bids were as follows:

Thomet Chevrolet	\$5,325 less \$350 trade-in
Zeigler Ford	\$5,965 less \$400 trade-in
Vennen Dodge	\$5,861 less \$300 trade-in

Manager Quada recommended the Thomet bid be accepted for a total of \$4,975.

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Carter, supported by Councilman Fonger that the following resolution be adopted.

WHEREAS, the City of Lowell is interested in replacing a 1972 Chevrolet Van; and

WHEREAS, bids have been tabulated,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lowell City Council does hereby accept the low bid submitted by Thomet Chevrolet in the amount of \$4,975.00 and authorizes the expenditure of said amount from the Equipment Fund.

### Approval 1980 C.E.T.A. Agreement

Next, Council discussed the proposed 1980 C.E.T.A. agreement. Manager Quada stated that the only changes were that no individual may remain in the program more than eighteen months, and no employee may earn more than \$7,600. He recommended approval, and stated that the City was eligible to hire three more employees. The City currently has only one, but is authorized for four.

Councilman Carter stated for the record, that there have been many violations all over the state, and investigations of illegally used funds. He asked the Manager if he felt it was a good program for the City to continue.

Manager Quada replied that C.E.T.A. employees have been involved in virtually every function of the operation of the City as a training program, as is the requirement of the act, and he does feel that it is of benefit to the City.

IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Carter that the 1980 C.E.T.A. Agreement be approved, supported by Councilman Fonger.

Carried.

### Manager's Report

Under the Manager's Report, the Manager stated that the application for funding for the replacement of the old Division Street Bridge has been submitted. He stated that the City was not listed in the eligible funding list, however the state has received additional funds for such projects, and the City could still be eligible after the February listings are picked. There was no citizen input or suggestion.

### Council Remarks

Councilman Fonger asked if there were any Kennel License applications within the City since it is 1980 dog licensing time. Manager Quada stated there were none.

IT WAS THEN MOVED by Councilman Carter to adjourn at 9:04 p.m.

Approved: Tuesday, March 18, 1980. DEAN E. COLLINS, Mayor RAY E. QUADA, City Clerk

**TO THE CITIZENS OF GRATTAN TOWNSHIP AND THE PUBLIC ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing of the Grattan Township Zoning Board of Appeals will be held Wednesday,

**April 9, 1980**

at 8:00 p.m. at the Grattan Township Hall in Grattan, at which time the following subject will be considered and at which meeting any interested person will be heard: Request for a variance of the Grattan Township Zoning Ordinance.

1. John & Cindy Betts, 10983 Five Mile Rd. NE, Grattan Township, Kent County, Michigan. Requesting variance from 250.0' Road Frontage to 214.0' for purpose of Driveway.

Joyce Oberlin, Secretary Zoning Board of Appeals

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**BOWNE TOWNSHIP Annual Meeting**

The Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, **March 29, 1980**

at 1:30 p.m. at the Bowne Township Hall, 6059 Linfield SE, Alto, Mich.

A Budget shall be submitted for consideration which includes Federal Revenue Sharing Entitlement Funds.

Citizens attending the hearing have the right to provide written and oral comments and ask questions concerning the entire budget and the relationship of entitlement funds to the entire budget.

A copy of the entire proposed budget shall be available for public inspection at the Bowne Township Hall, Wednesday and Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Sandra L. Kowalczyk, Bowne Township Clerk

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## Main Street continued

driving while license suspended on Thursday morning, Mar. 20.

Also lodged in Kent County jail on a warrant from 63rd District Court was Wayne Bishop on Thursday evening.

Joseph Thompson pulled from a parking space on W. Main St. into the traffic lane and struck a vehicle driven by Ruth Wood on Wednesday, Mar. 19.

The Michigan Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Consumer Protection in Lansing reported that Fred Klahn was fined for selling milk containing antibiotics in District Court before Judge James Ward on February 28.

## Interest on late taxes increased

John L. Damstra, Kent County Treasurer, reports that Governor William Milliken signed into law Public Act 48 on March 21, 1980. Public Act 48 increases the interest charged on delinquent property taxes from 3/4 of 1% per month to 1% per month. The new rate is equal to 12% annually.

Damstra stated that the increase will go into effect as soon as the County can reprogram their computer for this new rate, but at least by April 1, 1980.

The new rate is not retroactive on 1978 or prior years' taxes that were still unpaid as of March 1, 1980, but will

be in effect as of that date. All 1979 delinquent taxes will be charged the 1% per month rate starting as of March 1, 1980. Taxpayers that make payments during March will not be billed for the increase.

Damstra also reported that 1979 delinquent taxes had increased by over \$900,000 from 1978. The total 1979 taxes as of March 1, 1980, returned to the County Treasurer were \$8,068,971.

Taxpayers with questions may call the County Treasurer's Office at (616) 774-3641.

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## Ada announces first historic home tour

Ten historic Ada buildings will be opened to public view for the first time May 3. The occasion is Ada's first Historic Home Tour. This event is being held because of the Ada community's desire to see its beloved covered bridge rebuilt.

Owners of each historic building on the tour have agreed to donate all proceeds to the Ada Bridge Committee.

## Chamber, Cont'd.

tion and improvement of Lowell and its business community.

The question was resolved at the Mar. 12 meeting of the LABA when a resolution was proposed by Roger Brown calling for a merger of the Lowell Business Association and the Lowell Chamber of Commerce. Current terms of office for the Lowell Chamber have expired requiring a new election of officers in the near future and the LABA is presently operating with interim officers. With the merger approved unanimously by those attending

the LABA meeting, the existing Chamber of Commerce could benefit from the support of the LABA members. Other business conducted at the meeting concerned the budgeting of funds to establish a monthly newsletter. A membership committee was established and a committee formed to begin work on a Lowell area brochure.

The agenda for the March 26 meeting includes a review of the Chamber of Commerce charter, reports on current Chamber projects, brochure committee report and a discussion of the budget.

Homes and buildings on the tour date from the 1840's to the 1930's. The earliest of the tour homes was built within about 10 years after the village of Ada was founded in 1838. The village, incidentally, was named for Ada Smith, a pioneer's daughter.

Other homes and buildings open to those paying the \$3 per person tour fee include

the First Congregation Church, built in 1870; former grocery dating from 1909, and now housing bakery and an apartment; graceful Cape Cod adjoins the spot where the covered bridge stood; Greek Revival style farmhouses; and an imposing home built by the man who erected the original covered bridge.

## Gear up for July 4 gala

Planning for Lowell's 4th of July celebration has already begun. The general schedule of events begins with a parade at noon.

Games, booths and food will be located at Recreation Park in the afternoon. Fireworks will follow in the evening.

Showboat Corporation will headline Billy "Crash" Craddock in Riverside Amphitheatre at 8:30 p.m.

## Get in line for license tabs!

In a move to ease the rush to purchase 1980 license plate tabs by the Monday, March 31 deadline, Secretary of State Richard H. Austin ordered all branch offices to remain open between 8:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., Saturday, March 29.

According to Austin, sales of 1980 plate tabs, now totaling just over four million, are lagging nearly half a million behind last year with an estimated two-million tabs yet to be sold.

All vehicle owners must purchase plate tabs by Mar. 31 if they intend to operate their vehicles on public highways, or face a possible fine, Austin said.

**CONSERVE GAS** — Let your mailman deliver your Grand Valley Ledger. One year \$6 in Kent & Ingham Co., \$8 elsewhere. Call 897-9261.

Plans for the afternoon events will be discussed at an organizational meeting to be held Thursday, April 3, in the VFW Hall at 7:30 p.m. Any area club or organization interested in being part of the celebration should send representative to the meeting.

Co-chairmen of the event are Dode Dey and Norce Martin.



Two Lowell high school students earned high ratings at the State High School Solo and Ensemble Festival recently. Shelley Garrett earned a I rating for her trumpet solo. Barry Eldridge earned II rating for his baritone solo.

Wes and Eunice Keim will celebrate their 24th wedding anniversary on March 30.

Frank Schueller, 1839 Bu-trick, Ada, has recently returned from San Francisco, California where he participated in a Sales Leaders conference of Sentry's to sales representatives. He is local sales representative for Sentry and qualified for the conference through high standards in sales and customer service activity during 1979. The group represents the top 12% of Sentry direct sales force.

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