

# Lowell's 150th Year

Sesquicentennial Celebration July 17, 18 & 19, 1981

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## GEAR UP FOR 4TH

There will be an important meeting for those involved in Lowell's Fourth of July activities on Thursday, June 18 at the VFW Hall at 8 p.m. Those interested in the July 4 Canoe Race should register with Mike Roth at Roth Rental & Storage on W. Main Street or phone 897-5934 for details. Entertainers are needed for the day-long celebration. Contact Teresa VanderWarf at 897-9885. Picnic tables are needed for the day. They will be picked up and returned to your home. Call Norene Martin 897-8421 or 897-5525 evenings if you could loan your table. All parade units should register with Bonnie Gröoters 897-7451 before the 4th of July.

## MACKER QUEEN

The Third annual Gus Macker Beauty pageant will be held on July 9 at 7:30 p.m. at the Macker Stadiarena, 521 Elizabeth St., Lowell. Girls age 15 and up can enter. For more information contact Chris DeWitt at 897-7337. Deadline for entries is July 6.

## REUNION SUMMER

Lowell High School's Centennial Class of 1931 will meet during the Sesquicentennial celebration on Sunday, July 19 at the Fallsburg Park Pavilion for a potluck dinner at 1 p.m. sharp. Please bring your own tableware with a dish to pass. The classes of 1930 and 1932 are invited to share the time of reacquaintance.

The LHS Class of 1961 will hold its Reunion July 18 during the Sesquicentennial. Reservations for Deer Run are needed as soon as possible. Call Marge 458-3815 or Sandy 642-9850. If you didn't receive an invitation or have a question, call Marge or Sandy. Addresses are still needed for: Jim Floyd, Jim Bax and Virginia Wisner.

The Forest Hills Class of '66 will hold its 15 year reunion on Saturday, Aug. 8 at the Cannonsburg Ski Lodge, at 6 p.m. Reservations and details, Trish Cutler 874-8085.

## WATTA DAY

Sunday, June 21 is Father's Day across the nation. By executive declaration of Gov. Milliken, it is also Michigan Beef Day. If you'd like to combine celebrations, plan a beef barbeque for Dad. Just don't tell Dad he's beefy.

## OFF THE BLOTTER

Lowell officers took a runaway from Star Commonwealth in Ypsilanti into custody and lodged the youth in the Kent County juvenile facility.

A Lowell youth was injured on Wednesday, June 10 when he turned into the side of a vehicle driven by Bruce Rudd of Lowell about 3:30 p.m. Both vehicles were southbound on Segwun Ave. when the accident occurred. The youth was transported to a Grand Rapids hospital with injuries to the lower femur, head and face. Rudd was not ticketed.

Arrested Sunday evening were: Joseph Thompson of Lowell for disorderly person; Anthony Malcomb of Lowell for disorderly person and resisting arrest; James Malcomb of Lowell for resisting arrest and hindering and opposing a police officer; Jerry Malcomb of Wyoming for resisting and obstructing a police officer. The arrests were made in connection with a large fight which broke out in the city parking lot. Details of the incident were not available at press time.

Cited to appear in 63rd District Court on June 24 were: Jeffrey Jousma of Lowell and Sergio Ostenburg of Alto. They were cited for having an open container of alcohol in a vehicle and for minors in possession of alcohol. Both were stopped for a traffic violation by Lowell officers on Sunday evening and found to have alcohol in their vehicle.

Doris Anderson struck a parked vehicle on Riverside Dr. near Foreman Rd. on Thursday evening.

William Kryger of Grand Rapids and his passenger Scott Antles of Whalen were injured Saturday morning when the pick-up truck they were in struck a utility pole on South Hudson St. near the C & O crossing.

Arthur J. Brown of Flint was killed when his westbound motorcycle and a car collided on M-21 at Tower Rd. about 1:45 a.m. Sunday. The car was driven by Susan Schulmeyer of Lowell who was arrested by Ionia County Sheriff's deputies on charges of driving under the influence of alcohol and placed in

## Funding extras is studied

At a special board meeting Monday night, members and an audience of about 20 citizens listened to two presentations from individuals knowledgeable in raising funds for school programs.

A concept, new to the Lowell School District and probably to most public schools in Michigan, is being considered by the Board. Under this plan, an outside professional organization would assume coordinating the raising of funds to sup-

port extracurricular activities—athletics, music, forensics, debate, plays, etc. The fee for the firm would be paid from funds collected, with the school district maintaining complete control of the money and how it would be expended.

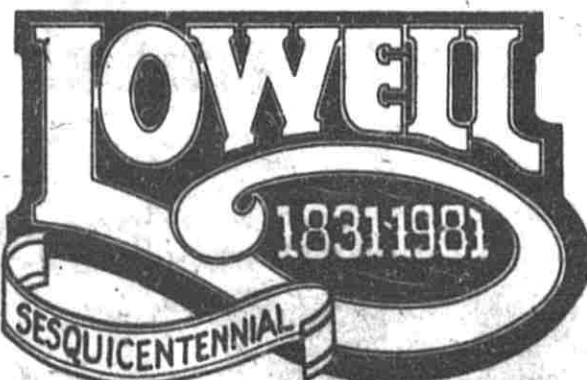
Bob DeYoung, Vice President of the Office of Development and College Relations at Hope College with an extensive background in the area of fund raising for school purposes, gave the

first presentation. Stressing that the desire must be there, plus it must be for the right reasons, DeYoung heads Hope College's campaign-raising of about \$1,200,000 annually.

Former Curriculum Director Rod Smith followed with an overhead projector presentation. Smith has headed school millage campaigns and surveys in the past. With an estimated target of \$57,500, Smith outlined possibilities of achieving this through pace-setter gifts, industrial or business donations, alumni support, a phone-a-thon, and donations through clubs and organizations.

Both speakers stressed the need for a long-term campaign, possibly involving large companies that would receive tax write-offs, wills and bequests, insurance policies, etc.

Board members were concerned not only with financing, but the philosophy behind the campaign, what activities would actually be financed, and the ground rules. President Kropf asked for time for the individual members to digest the information and directed the administration to conduct some surveys of community opinions, with action scheduled for the July 13 meeting.



Special events and demonstrations are steadily being added to the gala celebration of Lowell's 150th birthday July 17, 18, 19.

A special logo has been designed for the event and will be visible on billboards, in store windows, etc., in the near future. It was designed for the event by Michael Pelz of Pelz Art Service in Lowell.

A hot air balloon launch will take place at Recreation Park on Saturday, July 18 about 5:45 p.m. just before the All Star softball game. The balloon is owned by the Mr. Steak restaurants in Grand Rapids and the launch is being donated by the owners.

A bit of Lowell's early history will be demonstrated at Recreation Park on Saturday by Jack Friesner and his group of mighty trappers. They will show how furs are cured and have a display of finished furs.

Skip several generations back to the present into the age of TV commercials. Many of you will be able to take the Pepsi Challenge at Recreation Park on Saturday.

The celebration starts Friday evening, July 17 with the Sesquicentennial Ball at which the Queen will be crowned. Saturday is the judging of the Beard Contest, food, demonstrations, and games at Recreation

Park, the Royal Luncheon at 11:45 and the Grand Parade at 2 p.m. The All Star Double Header is at 6 p.m. with the balloon launch preceding. Sunday morning, July 19, there will be special services and coffee receptions at Lowell churches, and at 3 p.m., the Pedal, Puff and Paddle Race will begin. (More about the PPP next issue).

Celebration souvenirs will help fund the various events held during the three-day gala. Available now are Sesquicentennial T-shirts for the whole family (except baby). The shirts come in light blue or bright green, 50% cotton-50% polyester. Sizes are children's 6/8, 10/12, and 14/16. Adults are S, M, L & XL. They are available at That Special Place. Home-town Cookbooks have been reordered and the double volume History of Lowell will be ready for sale early next month.

Sesquicentennial Chairman Dolores Dey is smiling as the various events take shape under the guidance of the various committee chairmen. Community groups are urged to become involved as there are still several slots to fill in the three-day event. Individuals who would like to get in on the fun are always welcome. Call Mrs. Dey at 897-8545.

## "Boxcar Willie" packs 'em in!

The threat of severe weather and the fact that the "Boxcar Willie" concert was moved from the Riverside Amphitheatre to the Lowell High Gymnasium didn't keep area country music faithfuls from turning out in droves Monday night. All three performances at 5:00, 7:30 and 10:00 filled the gym to its capacity of about 2,000 and people were reportedly turned away at every performance. Certain sources touted the shows as "sell outs" at the 4,500 capacity amphitheatre.

Lowell officials had visions of tremendous traffic problems because of the back to

back shows. Because of the weather the show was held at the gym. Traffic was more easily dispersed from there and no major problems evolved.

"Boxcar's" success is due to a nationwide TV ad blitz of his album of country standards which incredibly has sold nearly a million copies without one cut making the charts. The concert was sponsored by the Ionia County Sheriff's Posse.

Performing with "Boxcar" were the local group "Lotta Miles Band", the Maycroft Squaretappers, and Frank T-Bear a singer from Houghton Lake.

## All-Conference announced

Coaches of the Tri-River Conference have announced their choices to All-Conference teams in baseball, softball, and tennis.

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Chosen to the All Conference Baseball team was Phil Beachler of Lowell, infielder.

Three members of conference champions Lowell Softball team made the All Conference squad. They are: Beth Beachum, catcher; Shirley Wilcox, pitcher; and Jackie Malone, outfielder.

Representing Lowell on the All-Conference tennis team is Kevin Conrad of Lowell.

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# Obituaries

**BROWN** — Arthur Jay Brown, Jr., aged 29, of Flint, MI, formerly of Grand Rapids, passed away Sunday, June 14, 1981 of accidental injuries.

He was a former Air Force Veteran and received a BA from the University of Michigan.

He is survived by his wife, Michelle; a daughter, Stacey; his mother, Wanda Sebolt of Grand Rapids; his father, Arthur Brown Sr. of Grand Rapids; two sisters, Jeanne Shaffer of Grant, Josie Brown of Grand Rapids; seven brothers, Gerald of Grand Rapids, Albert of Belmont, Lance of Lowell, Kenneth, Arthur, Jodie and Robert Brown, all of Grand Rapids; his grandmother, Mrs. Bobbie Kuks of Grand Rapids; and many uncles, aunts and cousins.

Funeral services will be held at Riegel Funeral Home, Flint, MI, Clio Road on Thursday, Memorial Mass will be held in Grand Rapids, Wednesday, June 17, 1981 at 10 a.m. in St. Alphonsus Church on Carrier St. NE.

**MACLEOD** — Mary Ann MacLeod, aged 82, of Ada, passed away Wednesday, June 10, 1981.

She is survived by her sons and daughters-in-law, Rev. Angus and Peg MacLeod of Ada, Rev. John and June MacLeod of Richmond Springs, NY; also six grandchildren.

A Memorial Funeral Service was held Friday evening at the O'Brien-Gerst Funeral Home, interment in Manastota Memorial Park, Manatee, FL.

**MEEHAN [EICKHOFF]** — Bonnie L. Meehan, aged 49, of Lowell, passed away June 7, 1981.

She is survived by her children, Larry Conrad Jr. of Lowell and Mrs. Larry (Yvonne) Novak of Belmont, and Ann Marie Conrad at home; seven brothers, Eugene of Upper Marlboro, MD, Robert of Billerica, MS, Jim of Saranac, Donald, Harvey, Joe and Gary Eickhoff of Lowell; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the funeral chapel, Interment Rest Lawn Memorial Park.

**OKKE** — Mrs. Iva M. Okke, age 69, of Wyoming passed away Saturday, June 13, 1981 at Blodgett Memorial Medical Center.

Surviving are her husband, John; a son and his wife, George and Violet Schultz of Kentwood; two grandsons and their wives, Forrest and Ronna Schultz of Alto, John and Cathy Schultz of Wyoming; a great-granddaughter Shea Schultz; her brothers and sisters, Charles and Eloise Timmons of Comstock Park, Miss Nellie Timmons of Grand Rapids, Hazel and Victor Trautman of Wayland.

The funeral service was held Tuesday afternoon at the funeral chapel, Interment Rest Lawn Memorial Park.

**VANLIER** — Miss Anna Vanlier, aged 92, of Lowell passed away June 15, 1981.

She is survived by a brother Edward M. Vanlier of Grand Rapids, a sister Maude Adrienne and a brother

## Theatre

### party for kids

Area children are invited to join a morning theatre excursion on Saturday, June 27 to the Grand Rapids Circle Theatre to see a children's production of "Jelly Beans".

Sponsored by the Lowell Area Arts Council, the cost per ticket is \$1.75 for the 9:30 a.m. performance. The cost includes the play and lunch in the park.

Transportation is not provided and children must be accompanied by an adult. Call Diana Fulkerson for reservations and more information, 897-7325.

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### MS READ-a-thon raises thousands

In this year's MS Read-a-thon program, 825 students from Kent County participated. These students read a total of 10,439 books and raised \$11,159.04 for Multiple Sclerosis. Combined with the other 11,000 students involved in Michigan, a total of \$170,000 was raised.

This money will be used to aid the nearly 12,000 people in Michigan alone who have Multiple Sclerosis, through research and direct patient services.

Multiple Sclerosis, or MS, is a neurological disease that strikes young adults between the ages of 15 and 50 years old. It is most common in

cold, northern climates, which accounts for the high incident rate in Michigan. MS is not contagious, nor can it be inherited.

The MS Read-a-thon was originated and developed by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society in 1974. In Michigan the MS Read-a-thon has just completed its third year. The program is introduced to students through school assemblies. Participating students ask friends, relatives, and neighbors to pledge a certain amount of money for each book read during a six week period. Prizes are offered to students as incentives.

### Father's Day is Sunday

Father's Day, observed on June 21 this year, didn't just happen; behind it are efforts of two Presidents and an act of Congress.

The first Father's Day was in 1910. Six years later, President Woodrow Wilson unfurled the American flag for a Father's Day celebration held at Spokane, Wash., and in 1924 President Calvin Coolidge granted official approval for a national Father's Day.

Since then, a Congressional resolution established Father's Day as an American holiday in 1972.

Times have changed since the first Father's Day, but one thing remains the same in 1981; when the big day rolls around this year, families everywhere will be celebrating in their own special ways. And that makes Father's Day a classic... just like Dad.

### "Main Street, cont'd.

the Ionia County Jail. She was not injured. A passenger on the motorcycle, Brown's wife, Michelle, was taken to Blodgett Memorial Hospital where she was listed in satisfactory condition with a fractured jaw. Lowell's Rescue Unit responded.

Stephen Jasinski was arrested by Kent County deputies for disorderly conduct and destruction of police property on Friday evening. He was being sought by Kent County officers after he allegedly was involved in a hit and run accident at 28th St. and E. Paris in Grand Rapids.

Lowell Area Firemen responded to a car fire at 11389 Potters Rd. on Saturday, June 13 about 1:26 a.m. The car, owned by Terry Eickhoff of Lowell, was totally destroyed. Cause of the fire is still undetermined. The incident remains under investigation.

A small bowl of vinegar in an inconspicuous corner of the living room can absorb tobacco odors.

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**cozy corner**  
2, Roger Brown

I don't know about the rest of the "Brothers of the Brush", but personally I can't wait for July 19th so I can take a razor to this stubble and be rid of it. It's not that the thing is all that uncomfortable in hot weather. It's not that it requires a lot of time to keep trimmed. And even the fact that it's ninety percent gray doesn't bother me all that much.

The worst thing about it is that it's a lousy beard. Why grow a beard, if you can't grow a good one? The Sesquicentennial is the only reason I can think of. Since I've had this thing I've become very aware of other beards and on a scale of one to ten, I'd rate my beard somewhere on either side of a one. I've seen a couple of beards more sparse than mine and just as scraggly, but in all those cases the growers had enough sense to give up and go back to shaving. Sesquicentennial or no.

Some of the beards around town that have been raised for this event are real beauties. I could name a few names but wouldn't want to be accused of intimidating the panel of judges. Besides, I don't want to give these guys who can really grow a good beard, any more credit than necessary.

Most of the beards around town are just that, full beards. But as the celebration and subsequently, the judging approaches, I think the "Brothers of the Brush" committee should announce what the different categories are going to be so that some of these full beards can be groomed and trimmed into muttonchops, handlebars, side burns, goatees, Fu Man Chus or whatever.

With a little advance notice, contestants could determine where their talents lie and specialize. In my case, the only decent part of my beard is my upper lip. I have voids in my sideburns, on my chin and at the corners of my mouth. With this in mind, my best bet would be to trim it all back into a tiny little Oliver Hardy special. That would go great with my chubby cheeks. All I would need would be a bowler derby and I'd look just like the famous fat man.

There is still just over a month left before the Sesquicentennial, so you fellows who have been procrastinating about growing a beard had better get with the program and see Charlie Doyle. Disgusting as it is, I know a lot of you can grow a great beard in a month.

### Museum to close Saturdays

Saturday, June 27 will be the last Saturday that the Grand Rapids Public Museum will be open. Due to budget cuts, the Museum will lay off seven full-time staff and most part-time employees. Several programs have been terminated.

The reductions also affect the Blandford Nature Center which will lose two half-time curators and a carpenter. Programs for children have been cut, tours will be self-

guided and maintenance will be reduced.

Slashed at the Museum will be the loan department, the audio-visual program, Pioneer Days, colonial crafts program, in-house printing, and identification programs for plants, insects and birds.

Admission at the museum as of July 1 will be: \$1 adults, \$0.50 children and senior citizens; Grand Rapids residents will pay half those prices.

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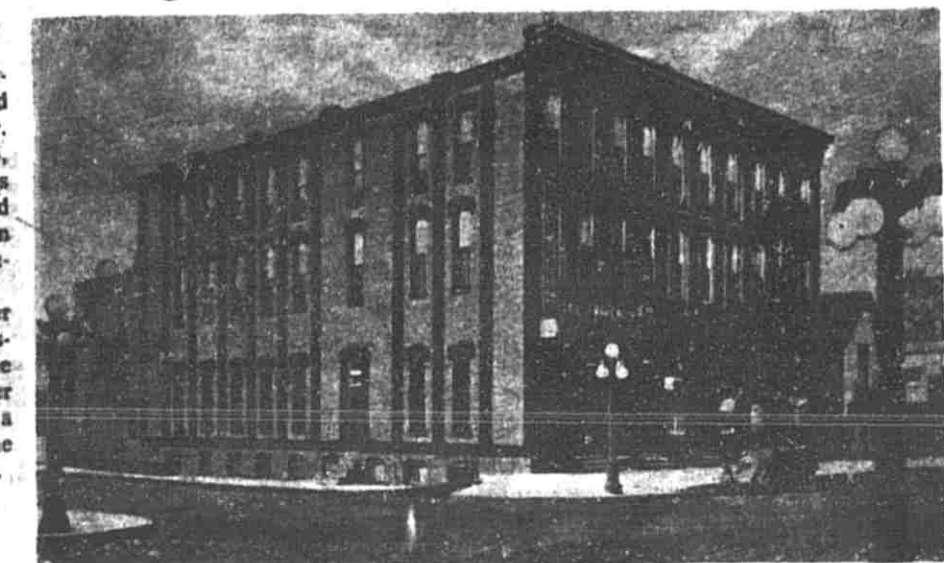
## Local News

Celebrating wedding anniversaries at Cumberland Manor next week are Mr. and Mrs. Scott on June 24, 56 years; Mr. and Mrs. Pross on June 26, 61 years; and Mr. and Mrs. Barbachym on June 26, 62 years. Congratulations all.

Ruth Wood lifted off in her birthday present last Thursday at 6:30 p.m. from the Eberhard parking lot. Her family gave her a ride in a hot air balloon. We assume she's back to earth by now.

### VACATION TIP

Turn your air conditioner off, or set the thermostat at 85 to prevent unnecessary cooling of an empty house.



Once upon a time, Lowell's Main Street was graced with the attractive Hotel Waverly, now the Lippert Pharmacy Inc. offices. Note the grand street lights and spiffy roadster in front of the building. Must be street vandalism was not as prevalent in those days as it is today—the street globes are unbroken!

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Shalander awarded Runciman grant

Senior Class Night at Lowell High School was the occasion for the presentation of the C.H. Runciman Scholarship Grant. Sarah Shalander is this year's recipient.

Bravatas celebrate 35th

An Open House celebrating 35 years of marriage for Tom and Alice Bravata will be held on Saturday, June 20 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the home of Craig Williams.

On the Dean's Lists...

Two area students are included on the Dean's List for the recently concluded winter semester at Northern Michigan University.

Steven Sterzick, 5772 Alden Nash, earned a place on the Dean's List at Central Michigan University for the winter semester.

Susan Stormzand of Lowell, is one of 25 Western Kentucky University student athletes to be recognized by the University for outstanding achievement in the classroom during the 1981 spring semester.

Michael Kaye, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Kaye, 1626

IN THE SERVICE

Army Pvt. Randall D. Baker, son of Dale K. Baker of 4520 Pecklake Road, Saranac and Jean Ellison of 777 Cyrus St., Louis, has completed basic training at Fort Knox, Ky.

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Pvt. Randall Baker

All-church picnic planned

Members of the First Congregational Church of Lowell will hold their All Church Picnic on June 28 immediately following the worship service on Sunday.

Members are to meet at Fallsburg Park at 11:30 a.m. for games and non-competitive contests for all ages.

Summer hours for area churches

Summer hours begin next Sunday for several Lowell churches. The First United Methodist Church will begin Summer Worship Hours at 8:30 & 9:45.

Births

George and Pat Alchin of Lowell are proud parents of their firstborn, Daniel Lee. He was born June 6 weighing 8 lbs., 10 oz. and was 20 in. long.

HOMESPUN DEVOTIONS

by Pauline E. Spray

For, by (faith) the elders brewed a good report (Hebrews 11:2).

It's a common thing for brothers and sisters to be distinctively different. One child is dark-eyed, dark-complexioned, tall, and slim.

Individuality is a wonderful thing. It is the gift God has given to each of us—to be different, to be unique.

Many renowned men of old met their individual challenges successfully. Noah built the ark despite the taunts of his neighbors.

Christians, we serve the same God whom Noah, Moses, Enoch and Job served. If we possess a personal faith in Him who never fails, we too, can leave "a good report."

Prayer: "O Lord our Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth! How great is Thy imagination! Thou hast created each of us differently. Thou hast given me an unique personality and place in Thy Kingdom.

Locals earn degrees

Robert Lussmyer, son of Mrs. Priscilla Lussmyer of 12950 Beckwith Drive, Lowell, received a B.A. degree from Eisenhower College of Rochester Institute of Technology, Seneca Falls, NY, in Commencement Ceremonies May 30.

Lussmyer, an economics concentrator, graduated cum laude. He was awarded the Eisenhower Award for Outstanding Leadership for his demonstration of leadership in college affairs.

Kathleen J. Wittenbach of Lowell was one of 91 students to receive Bachelor of Science degrees during



ATTEND SERVICES

MISSIONARY CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
750 Foreman Road

WHITNEYVILLE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
Sunday Morning Worship Service 10 a.m.
Sunday School 11 a.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ALTO
Corner of 60th Street & Bancroft Avenue
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:30 a.m.

GALILEE BAPTIST CHURCH OF SARANAC
Corner of Orchard & Pleasant
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

ADA CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
7152 Bradford St., S.E. - 878-1088
REV. ANGUS M. MACLEOD
Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.

ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH
7227 Thornapple River Dr. - 878-1032
Pastor: Jerry L. Johnson
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 11:30 a.m.

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2275 West Main Street
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

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Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

BETHANY BIBLE CHURCH
3900 East Fulton
REV. RAYMOND E. BEFUS
Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
Broadcast 10 a.m. WMAX 1470

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REV. RICHARD VANDEKIEFT
Worship Service 10 a.m. & 8 p.m.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE OF LOWELL
201 North Washington Street
REV. WILLIAM F. HURT
Church School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL
2275 West Main Street
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL
(Member United Church of Christ)
North Hudson at Spring St., Lowell
897-9309
DR. RICHARD GREENWOOD
Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LOWELL
621 E. Main St. - 897-5936
Worship 8:30 & 9:45
Church School 10:00 a.m.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
2287 Saginaw, S.E.
Lowell, Michigan
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

REORGANIZED CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
8148 - 68th St., S.E., Alto, Mich.
HIGH PRIEST DIRK VENEMA
PASTOR 868-6292
Church School 9:45 a.m.

SARANAC COMMUNITY CHURCH
(United Church of Christ)
125 Bridge St., Saranac, MI
DIAL-A-PRAYER - 842-9659
Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School 11:15 a.m.

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Coffee Hour 11:00 a.m.

Coming Events

JUNE 13-AUG. 23: Made in Grand Rapids: 150 Years of Furniture, a comprehensive exhibit on the furniture industry in Grand Rapids.

WED. JUNE 17: Past Matrons of Oeylmen Chapter #94 OES will meet at the home of Theo Schutt, 7:30 p.m.

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SAT., JUNE 20: Saranac Community Church will hold Strawberry Festival from 10-4 at the church, 125 Bridge St. Saranac. Food, raffle booths.

SAT., JUNE 20: Vergennes United Methodist Church Annual On Roast, 4 p.m.-7 p.m. Donation \$3.50 and under 5 free.

SUN., JUNE 21: Cascade Christian Church in cooperation with the Grand Valley Blood Program will hold a mobile blood drawing from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Happy Birthday...
June 20: Roseana Inman, Carrie Condon, Anne Emmons.

JUNE 1-AUG. 23: Made in Grand Rapids: 150 years of Furniture History, a comprehensive exhibit on the area furniture industry.

Michigan continues to rank second among the states in bedding plant production, and fifth in floriculture.

SUN., JUNE 28: Thornapple Music Festival, Charlton Park, Hastings off M-79. Starts 11 a.m. Adults \$5, children under 12, 50c. Preschoolers free.

SUN., JUNE 28: McIntyre School Reunion at 1 p.m. at E. Carey's, 12666 Grand River Dr., Lowell for anyone who ever attended the school.

Local citizens make it work

If you want to take an active role in your community—like Margaret Voss, Ph.D. Dean of Students at Davenport College—you might find yourself in the Allocations and Review June budget sessions at the United Way of Kent County.

Allocations and Review gives local citizens control of local donations to the United Way of Kent County. "This year-long process of review involves close to 100 volunteers," said Allocations and Review chairman, Charles W. Jennings, Jr., a vice president-personnel director at Old Kent Bank.

"I believe in community service, and that is why I'm now volunteering at the United Way," said Voss. "During the allocations sessions," Voss continued, "Allocations and Review volunteers take care in distributing funds. We also care about the agencies receiving these funds."

Eight panels of 14 volunteers each are now beginning the Allocations and Review process by reviewing current agency programs and their projected budgets. After the fund raising campaign, the eight panels meet again to make final allocations depending on campaign results.

Skelton to perform at Blue Lake

Red Skelton, armed with his tremendous repertoire of pantomimes and jokes, will perform at Blue Lake June 27 at 8 p.m.

Skelton is one of the most popular entertainers ever to perform at Blue Lake and is returning to help the camp celebrate the beginning of its 15th season.

Because Skelton prefers to be referred to as one of America's clowns, a series of clowning events have been scheduled to precede his show.

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## Livestock clinic offers tips

"Young livestock owners from Ionia and surrounding counties can learn showmanship and proper grooming techniques at the 1981 Regional Livestock Fitting and Showing Clinic," says Julie Drake, Ionia County 4-H Youth Agent.

The clinic will be held in Montcalm County at the Greenville Fairgrounds and will run from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with a break for lunch. Grooming and showmanship for beef cattle, dairy cows,

dairy goats, horses, poultry, rabbits, sheep and swine will be covered. The clinic is a hands-on training program.

The program is open to people of any age, and 4-H club members and leaders from other counties are welcome to attend. No preregistration is required.

For more information contact your County Cooperative County Cooperative Extension Service Office.

## Bake-off is June 23

A "Bake-Off", coordinated by the Ionia County 4-H Foods Developmental Committee will be held June 23 at the Cooperative Extension Service, 110 E. Washington, Ionia.

Two or three outstanding finalists will be selected in each age division. This select group will then compete in a final "Bake-Off" August 5 during the Ionia Free Fair. The top baker per age group will receive a \$25 bond each. This event is open to all Ionia County young people.

4-H & non 4-H, ages 5-19. For more information contact Betsy Knox, 4-H Youth Agent-Home Economist, at 527-1400.

More than 7 million of the 9 million living Vietnam Era veterans have used Veterans Administration benefits. Among them are over 6 million who have used VA educational assistance, and almost 2 million have received hospital care.

## They'll attend MSU College Week

Alice Hill, Pamela Vroman and Doris Hopkins, all of Saranac, will join more than 1,400 others at College Week at Michigan State University, June 22-25.

The program is designed to be an informal learning experience in a university setting. Individuals can choose from more than 50 classes offered through the week.

The four-way program includes special workshops, tours, film festivals, and a variety of other activities providing some leisure time fun. The event is sponsored by the Cooperative Extension Service Family Living Education Program and the MSU College of Human Ecology, as well as other college departments and statewide organizations.

## VACATION TIPS

If you have an electric water heater, turn off the circuit breaker or remove the fuse to reduce heating costs.

## Save time for STRAWBERRIES!!!



The annual Strawberry Festival at the Saranac Community Church starts at 10 a.m. and goes till 4 p.m. sponsored by the Women's Fellowship this Saturday, June 20.

Mouthwatering short-cakes, sundaes and fresh hot fritters made while you wait all feature luscious (and local) strawberries. Lunch will be served too. The strawberries are being donated by Bill Blud's Strawberry Farm.

A variety of booths from country painting and Christmas items to baked goods and an attic sale are also featured.

Children can be made up as a clown and fish in the fish pond.

A drawing will be held with five prizes to be raffled. Prizes are a strawberry afghan, a raffance quilt, Mr. and Mrs. Santa dolls, hooked pillows and a Strawberry Shortcake doll.

Everyone is invited to help celebrate SCC's Strawberry Festival.

Laura McDowell (L), her daughter Jenny, and Margaret Chadwick (R) are members of SCC's Women's Fellowship which sponsors the annual Strawberry Festival in Saranac. The girls are proud of the mille prizes this year. The three pictured are the strawberry quilt, Mr. & Mrs. Santa dolls and the "Raffance" quilt.

## Six earn Scout award

Six Boy Scouts from Troop 71, Saranac, received the Ad Altare Dei award at the 10 a.m. Mass at St. Anthony's Parish on May 24.

Those receiving the awards were Keith Grant, Steve Simpson, Greg Murphy, Robert Simpson and Richard Grant.

The program the boys worked on is designed by the National Catholic Committee on Scouting for Scouts of the Catholic faith. The completion of the program takes almost six months. The em-



Six Saranac Boy Scouts were awarded the Ad Altare Dei emblem recently. They are (L-R): Bottom Row—Keith Grant, Steve Simpson and Ron Overholt; Top Row—Greg Murphy, Fr. Albert Watson of St. Anthony's Parish, Robert Simpson and Richard Grant.

blem Ad Altare Dei, which means "Toward the Altar of God", is a bronze cross suspended from a ribbon of papal colors. About one scout in one hundred completes the program.

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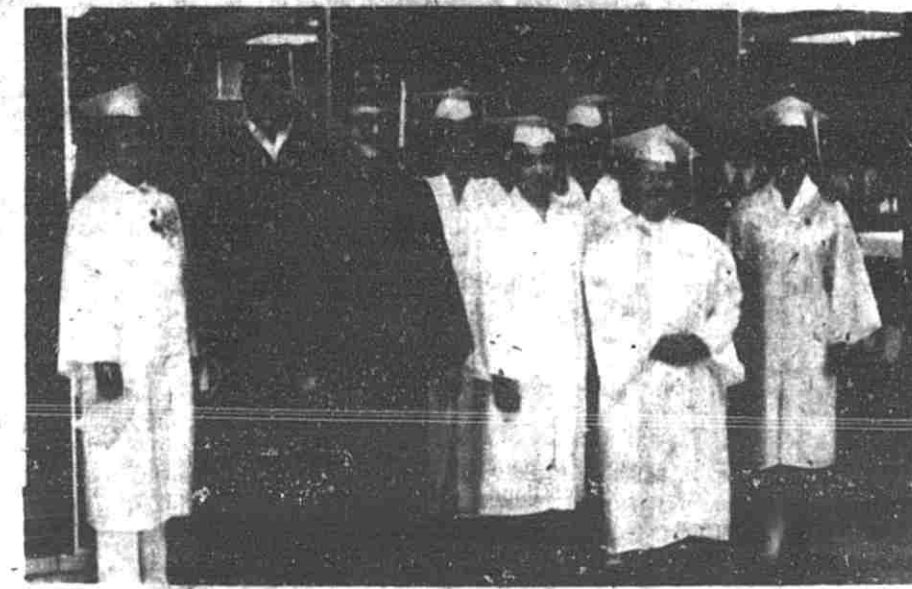
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# LOWELL TIRE CO.

## Nine earn diploma



Nine Lowell area residents graduated recently from the Lowell Adult High School class of 1981. They are (L-R): Mary Grindle, Al Droog, Dick Sturgis, Robin Cook, Zetha Propst, Goldie Callihan, Renee Jansen, Mike Whittem and JoAnn Andrea.—Photo by Andrea Maitner.

Lowell Adult High School graduated nine in its Class of 1981 recently.

Their reasons for returning to school varied with the individual graduate. For many, it was fulfilling the goal of attaining a high school diploma. For others, it

meant graduating before their son, daughter or grandchildren. Still others needed the diploma to unlock doors to college or job advancement.

Graduates this year are Mary Grindle, Al Droog, Dick Sturgis, Robin Cook,

Zetha Propst, Goldie Callihan, Renee Jansen, Mike Whittem and JoAnn Andrea.

These adults are to be commended for their efforts, for their sacrifice of time away from home and family, and for achieving a life-long goal.

## Focus on the farm

The latest in farm equipment technology will be on display at Michigan Agricultural Exposition on July 21-23, sponsored by Michigan State University.

Co-sponsors are the Michigan Agricultural Industry, MSU Cooperative Extension Service, MSU Agricultural Experiment Station and Michigan Land Improvement Association.

There will be over 200 commercial exhibits, land improvement demonstrations, and MSU crop research plots.

On July 1 the 1981 Forage Day will be held at the Ross Fisk farm in Sand Lake. There will be forage harvesting and field chopping demonstrations as well as commercial exhibits.

Forage Day is sponsored by Cooperative Extension Service West Central District.

## Take mechanic test locally

Beginning June 15, automotive mechanics may take certification tests by individual appointment in 31 Department of State branch offices, Secretary of State Richard H. Austin announced today. Previously, such tests were given only on a limited basis in specified locations.

Results will be sent from Lansing to the individual tested approximately six weeks after tests are given. More than 40,000 mechanics have been tested and certified since November of 1976.

Michigan law now requires that all motor vehicle mechanics doing major repairs be state certified.

The following branch offices will give tests in Grand Rapids: Eastbrook Mall - Green Court, 3645 28th St., S.E. (616) 942-1877; Wyoming Village Mall, 1240 28th St., S.E., Wyoming, MI (616) 538-9120.

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## New phone charge starts next month

Michigan Bell has begun distributing consumer bill inserts to local telephone customers to remind them that a new plan to charge for heavy use of Directory Assistance service will go into effect Sunday, July 19.

Also starting on that day, Michigan Bell customers will need to dial a new number—1-555-1212—for local and long distance Directory Assistance service anywhere within their own area code.

To reach Directory Assistance service for numbers outside their own area code, customers will dial "1", followed by the area code they are calling and then 555-1212.

Under the plan—approved last year by the Michigan Public Service Commission—customers will receive a monthly credit of 20 cents per line on their phone bills. There will be no charge for the first 20 Directory Assistance calls each month. Each call beyond 20 a month will cost 20 cents. Only calls for numbers within a customer's own area code will be counted,

and a customer may ask for up to three numbers at a time.

Visually impaired individuals and others with handicaps which make it difficult to use telephone directories will be exempt from the charging plan, Thole said.

He recommended that handicapped persons get an exemption form from Michigan Bell as soon as possible so they will not be charged unnecessarily for Directory

Assistance calls when the new plan starts in July.

## PAY AS YOU TALK

America's first pay station telephone was inaugurated June 1, 1880, in the Yale Bank Building, New Haven, Conn. Sponsored by the Connecticut Telephone Co., the program required an attendant to stand by and collect money from each person who used the phones, which were placed in the lobby for public use.

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### Public Hearing NOTICE Vergennes Township

Notice is hereby given that the Vergennes Township Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on

July 9, 1981

at 8:30 p.m. in the Vergennes Township Hall, corner of Bailey Dr. and Vergennes NE. The subject of the public hearing will be the consideration of the following amendment of the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance Map.

**Case #3-81**  
Rezoning from R-A [Rural Agricultural] to I [Industrial] the following described property: That part of the W. 1/2 of the S.W. 1/4 of Section 35, T7N R9W identified as parcel #41-16-35-351-011. Said parcel approximates 11.88 acres. The amendment application and the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map are available for public inspection in the Office of the Township Clerk, corner of Vergennes and Bailey NE during the hours of 9 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays. Please call Barry Bittrick, Chairman for the Vergennes Township Planning Commission evenings at 1-794-3809 for further information.  
Barry A. Bittrick, Chairman  
Vergennes Township Planning Commission  
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### City of Lowell NOTICE

City of Lowell accepting positions on the Medical Rescue Unit, prerequisites as follows:

1. Applicant must be at least 18 years of age.
2. Applicant should possess a capability of completing a Medical Emergency Treatment program, which will be paid for in full.
3. Applicant must be willing to serve one year on the Lowell Rescue Unit from the date he/she receives Emergency Medical Treatment certificate.
4. Applicant should be a resident of the City of Lowell or immediate vicinity.
5. Applications are available at City Hall, 301 E. Main.

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### LOWELL TWP. NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Lowell Township Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on Tuesday,

June 30, 1981

at 8:00 P.M. at the Lowell Township Hall, 2010 Alden Nash, SE, for the purpose of hearing Bruce Pankuch's request for a variance that would allow a parcel of property in Section Four of Lowell Township to be sold as a building site even though the piece has insufficient road frontage to comply with the Lowell Township Zoning Ordinance.

Carol L. Wells  
Lowell Township Clerk  
897-7800

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### Public Hearing NOTICE Vergennes Township

NOTICE OF ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS COUNTY OF KENT

Notice is hereby given that the Vergennes Township Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct public hearings at 7:30 p.m. on

July 9, 1981

In the offices of Vergennes Township at the corner of Bailey Dr. NE and Vergennes Rd. NE.

The following appeals will be heard:  
**Appeal 1-81:**  
Appellant was denied a request for rezoning from R-2 Residential to Commercial in May of 1981. Appellant wishes to receive a variance from the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance to operate an automobile repair facility on a parcel of property identified as follows:  
That part of the S.W. 1/4 of the S.W. 1/4 of Section 26 identified as Permanent parcel #41-16-300-019, said parcel being approximately 2.88 acres in size. A repair facility previously existed on the site prior to the last amendments to the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance and such use is currently classified as a non-conforming use under the Ordinance.

**Appeal 2-81:**  
Appellant wishes to use the Fallesburg Park Museum as a craft shop during summer hours. Such use requires a variance from the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance as such use would be a commercial use in an R-A [Rural Agricultural] Zone.

The applications for appeal, the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance, and Zoning Map are available for public inspection in the Township offices, corner of Bailey and Vergennes, during the hours of 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesdays. Please call Linda Biggs, Township Clerk at 897-8820 for further information.

Linda Biggs, Clerk  
Vergennes Township

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### Public Hearing NOTICE

The Lowell City Council will conduct a Public Hearing at or about 8:00 p.m. on July 6, 1981 for the purpose of considering the following requests: P.A. 198

1. Request from C.J. Christoff and Sons, Inc. for a Certificate of Exemption on a proposed plant expansion on Foreman Street adjacent to the existing facility.

P.A. 255

1. Request from John Curtis and Kevin Smith for Establishment of a P.A. 255 Exemption District on property located on M-21. (Behind Sandy's Kitchen)  
2. Request from John Curtis and Kevin Smith for a Certificate of Exemption on a proposed new laundromat to be located on the above described property.

Ray E. Quada,  
City Clerk

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## Legals...

**ORDER FOR PUBLICATION AND TO APPEAR AND ANSWER STATE OF MICHIGAN CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT**  
FILE NO. 81-43562 DM  
LYNN VENITA COBBINS, Plaintiff,  
VS.  
LAWRENCE COBBINS, Defendant.

At a session of said Court held in the Hall of Justice, City of Grand Rapids, Michigan on this 19th day of May, 1981.

Present: The Honorable Roman J. Snow, Circuit Court Judge.  
On the 23rd day of March, 1981, an action for divorce was filed by the above-named Plaintiff against the above-named Defendant, in the Circuit Court for the County of Kent.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that you, the Defendant, whose last known address was 1305 Sylvan SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49507 shall answer or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the 18th day of August, 1981.

FAILURE to comply with this Order shall result in a judgment by default against you, the Defendant, for relief as set forth in the Complaint filed in this cause.

Roman J. Snow,  
Circuit Court Judge  
Examined, Countersigned and Entered: M.A. Diederich, Deputy Clerk.  
ATTEST: A TRUE COPY.  
M.A. Diederich, Deputy Clerk  
6/24-78

### Choose the right tools

When cooking beef outdoors, grillside chefs will find their jobs easier when proper equipment is used. To prevent loss of flavorful juices, fogs rather than a fork should be used to handle beef. For easy application of a glaze, use a special basting brush or a small paint brush. A roast meat thermometer is always a must to accurately determine doneness of a roast cooked outdoors as well as in.

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PH. 897-5449. TICKETS ALSO AVAILABLE AT THAT SPECIAL PLACE.

STATE OF MICHIGAN The Probate Court for the County of Kent JUVENILE DIVISION

Notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held in the Juvenile Court in the City of Grand Rapids, Michigan in the matter of, on the date and time and on petition by petitioner shown below alleging that said children are neglected children within the meaning of the Juvenile Code and asking that all parental rights be terminated. To preserve your parental rights under the law you parent or guardian shall contact the Juvenile Court Center at 1501 Cedar NE, Grand Rapids, Michigan or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the hearing date. Failure to comply with this order may result in said child (ren) being made permanent ward of the Court with all parental rights terminated.

**Child:** Tony Foster  
Hearing: July 2, 1981 at 10:30 a.m.  
Petitioner: Inese Bennett  
**Child:** Teresa Renee & Deborah Janice Pierce  
Hearing: July 29, 1981 at 9:00 a.m.  
Petitioner: Inese Bennett  
Publication in the Grand Valley Ledger once at least one week prior to the hearing date is ordered.  
Dated: June 10, 1981  
JOHN P. STEERTZ  
JUDGE OF PROBATE

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**Child:** Christandra Means  
Hearing: July 1, 1981 at 11:00 a.m.  
Petitioner: Leonard Blankump  
**Child:** Steven Fuller, Jr. & Jason Richlin  
Hearing: July 8, 1981 at 4:00 p.m.  
Petitioner: Leonard Blankump  
**Child:** Kathy Flippo  
Hearing: July 8, 1981 at 11:00 a.m.  
Petitioner: Maryann Potelko  
Publication in the Grand Valley Ledger once at least one week prior to the hearing date is ordered.  
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**Child:** Lloyd Hunt  
Petitioner: David Laup  
Hearing: June 25, 1981 at 9:30 a.m.  
**Child:** Donald Riley  
Petitioner: Dale Waters  
Hearing: July 2, 1981 at 2:00 p.m.  
**Child:** Robert Dale Bekker aka Slachter  
Petitioner: John Apal  
Hearing: July 8, 1981 at 10:30 a.m.  
**Child:** Steven John Scott  
Petitioner: Gordon Hulse  
Hearing: July 10, 1981 at 11:00 a.m.  
Publication in the Grand Valley Ledger once at least one week prior to the hearing date is ordered.  
Dated: June 10, 1981  
JOHN P. STEERTZ  
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## Busy summer at local libraries

Look no further than the Lowell and Alto branch libraries for summertime fun.

To kick off the summer activities at the Lowell Library, girls in 8th through 12th grades are invited to a session on "How to apply make-up" today, Wednesday, June 17 at 10 a.m. (Hope you read this issue early or made note of the workshop last week). Betty Buck will offer tips on skin-care, make-up application and help with individual problems. There will not be any sale of make-up items.

On June 24 at 11 a.m. children can stroll through Troll Country. The Children's Services Department of the Kent County Library System will be in Lowell with their fluffy and furry puppet friends (for ages 6-10).

One continuous summer activity for children is the Reading Club. There are both Junior (ages 6-9) and



Puppet shows, songs, stories and games are just a part of the fun scheduled for summer at the Lowell and Alto libraries. Troll Puppetry is a delightful puppet show featuring stories from the children's books "The Troll Who Went To School", "Troll Country", "The Little Brute Family", and "Tim and Trisha". The Troll puppets will entertain at the Lowell Library on June 24 at 11 a.m. and in Alto on June 25 at 11 a.m.

Senior (10 and up) divisions of the Reading Club. Members give thumbs up or down on book choices through the summer and a summer's-end Reading Club part will celebrate a season full of good reading. Call Librarian Ellen Eedy for more information 897-9569 or stop in at the Library on Main St. Beginning Monday, June 22, the Lowell Library will expand its hours to accommodate those who use the library in the evenings. New Hours are: Monday 12:30 to

5:30; Wednesday 12:30 to 8:30; Friday 12:30 to 5:30; Saturday 12:30 to 5:30. The Alto Library, 6059 Linfield, will begin summer activities for children on Thursday morning, June 18 at 11 a.m. Anne Fraser will be at the library to show children 5 years of age and older how to draw Ed Emberly style. This will also be a good opportunity to sign up for the summer reading club. Remember, there is a program at the Alto Library every Thursday morning

throughout the summer. Please call the library 868-6038 if you would like more information about any of our programs or the services offered.

Alto Library is a branch of the Kent County Library System. Hours are: Tues., 1 to 8 p.m.; Thurs., 12 to 5 p.m.; Sat., 9 a.m. to Noon.

Need a wheel chair? A counselor? Transportation to the doctor? Or dental work? There are over 100 services in Kent County which offer special services. Call the Information and Referral Center of VIA and they'll put you in touch with the service you need. Call 459-2255.

## Muzzle Loaders at Greenfield

The excitement of frontier turkey shoots is recreated during the 27th annual Muzzle Loaders Festival at Greenfield Village, June 20-21.

No additional charge is made for the Muzzle Loaders Festival beyond the regular Village admission of \$8 for adults, \$4 for children 6 through 12 and free for children under 6. Unlimited two-day admissions are \$15 for adults, \$7.50 for children 6-12.

**VACATION TIP**  
If convenient, consider turning your refrigerator off and using up perishable items before leaving.

In addition to the regular shooting contest, there is a costume competition, a women's shooting demonstration and gassing gun and cannon demonstrations.

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**New pool? Here's help!**

Homeowners with swimming pools are advised on how to save money and headaches in a free booklet published by the Kent County Health Department, titled "Facts About Swimming Pools". The booklet and free consultative services are available from the Environmental Health Division by calling 774-3089.

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**The Captain's Quarters**

by Forrest Buck

If I were to put a title to this work of memorabilia, it would be "The Ode To The Flat River". This however, would be a misnomer because, an ode is classified as a lyrical poem. I have never been known as being lyrical or poetic, but that's what I'm going to call it anyway.

Any sizeable stream or river, regardless of its size or location, holds a fascinating attraction to me. "Where did it come from, why is it there and where is it going from here?" It is interesting to note how many times the rivers, lakes and land-form have dictated the political and social effects on a community. James Michener, in his book "Centennial", refers to the rivers as arteries of America, the ebb and flow of traffic whereon the journeyman in his travels up and down has a great influence on the present and the sweeping past. The Flat River and Lowell are no exception.

Flat River is not especially known for its location, length, depth or width, but



what breathtaking sagas could be written about its innumerable adventures of the past. Explorers, Indians, the first white settlers, the first wedding, the first schoolhouse, the first steamboat, the flood of 1852—the list goes on and on, each an epic in itself. Besides being a method of transportation the Flat River has supplied energy for the King Milling Co. and the Lowell Light & Power. Of course, in recent years the Flat River has provided a route for the one and only Lowell Showboat. Many songs have been written and poems printed and the river has suffered its up and downs; but like the proverbial song "That Old Man River, it just keeps rolling along."

At one time a motion was made to move the Lowell Showboat from the Flat to the Grand River. The American Legion, in fact, took out an option on some property on the Grand, but the deal did not materialize.

Personally, I have fished in the Flat River, skated on it in the winter and gone swimming in it and, in the due process of same, I am sure I have swallowed a bit of the Flat River.

The story I am about to tell is true and would do justice to any of Mark Twain's river stories: On the banks of the Flat River, parallel to what is now known as Lafayette St. was a supposedly unobserved spot known as the Delts, but better known as "the old swimming hole". From a tall tree there was suspended a farm rope with a tire attached. A person could haul the tire up the hill, take a running start and swing out over the river—Ker Plunk!!

Four high school seniors (Wm. "Bill" Miller, Merle "Doggie" Dawson, Stanley "Chesty" Moore and Forrest "Bucky" Buck) comprised the backfield of Coach Ron Finch's 1926 football team. These four decided to go swimming at the Delts during the school noon hour lunch period. Mind you, it was the middle of March.

After the swim session the four returned to school and were immediately told to

report to the Superintendent's office (Mr. Gumsert) "Have you been swimming?" he asked. There we stood our hair wet and disheveled, our shirts wet and wrinkled. We had no defense. GUILTY! The penalty: each of the four had to write 500 times "I will never go swimming in the NUDE during school hours". Someone on the opposite bank of the river snatched on us. Little did I know that in a few years I would be sitting beside Supt. Walter Gumsert as Endman on the Showboat.

This is a true story. All of the above characters other than myself have passed away. My father, now going on 97, is going to be surprised when he reads this. He knew nothing about it. I am sure neither he nor his congregation would have approved of the preacher's son swimming nude in the Flat River!

Post Script: Inadvertently, the infamous Charlie Doyle was left off the Endman's List last week. He performed as Endman three years, 1956-58. Bucky

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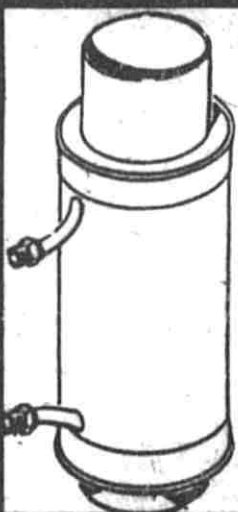
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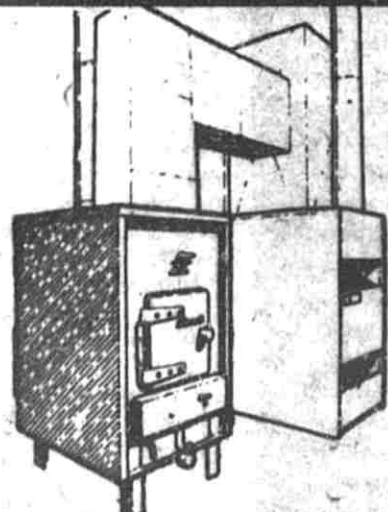
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